

Minutes of the Public Services Committee meeting, Held on Thursday 13th April 2023, at 6.30pm in the Town Council Chamber, Town Hall Skipton

Present: Councillor McIntyre, Councillor L Morgan, Councillor C Nash, Councillor R Heseltine and Councillor C Harbron

Jenny Dean – Deputy Clerk
Helen Marshall- Finance Manager
3 members of the public

2223/077 ITEM 1 – Chairmans Remarks

Councillor McIntyre welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2223/078 ITEM 2 – Apologies for Absence

Apologies were accepted from Cllr Madeley and Cllr McDaid
Cllr Judge and Cllr Courcier were absent.

2223/079 ITEM 3 – Disclosures of Interest

None

2223/080 ITEM 4 – Dispensations

None

2223/081 ITEM 5 – Representations from public

A member of the public, who is an allotment tenant at Middletown Allotments, raised concerns about the condition of some of the plots and the number of rats. A member of the Estates Team would contact them to discuss further.

A member of the public attended to give support to the application for the composting toilet, and provided information on how the toilet would work and the benefits.

2223/082 ITEM 6 – Minutes of the previous meeting

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Public Services Committee held on the 2nd Feb 2023 and the 22nd March 2023 as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

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2223/083 ITEM 7- Budget

The budget report was received and noted.

Cllr Nash asked for clarification on the line for s106, and asked if it was CIL not s106, and that s106 cannot be used for revenue. The Deputy Clerk reported that the s106 funds had all been used for capital projects such as the park at Burnside Recreation Ground, and had not been used for revenue. The Finance Manager would confirm this with Committee Members.

2223/084 ITEM 8 – Double Yellow Line Request

Members stated that they did not have enough information to decide on the request, and that the request was from one resident.

It was **RESOLVED** to not support the request for double yellow lines, and to give the resident the contact details of their North Yorkshire Council Councillor.
(unanimous)

2223/085 ITEM 9 – Coach Street Toilet Tender

The Deputy Clerk reported that the advice had been received from AWB Charlesworth that TUPE would apply to the toilet tender, and that the documentation had been amended to reflect this. Councillors Nash, Hesletine and Harbron disagreed that TUPE applied and requested to see the advice from the solicitor.

2223/086 ITEM 10 – High Street Trees

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Chief Officer and Councillor Nash investigating options for improving the areas around the trees on the High Street.
(unanimous)

2223/87 ITEM 11 – Composting Toilet

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the application for the composting toilet at the SMAA Plot at Middletown Allotments
(unanimous)

2223/088 ITEM 12 – Allotment Update

Members received and noted the Allotment Update

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2223/089 ITEM 13 – Park Strategy

It was **RESOLVED** that no further amendments were required to the survey questions and that the survey should be circulated.

(unanimous)

Members noted the updated Strategy. Cllr Heseltine raised that some areas had seen far greater investment than others. The Deputy Clerk advised this was due to s106 Funds being allocated to specific locations. When funds were allocated, CDC had put strict parameters in place regarding the locations that funds can be spent, and in some cases the type of equipment.

2223/090 ITEM 14 – Street Lighting

RESOLVED to fund the replacement lights at Rombalds Drive and Middletown Allotments, and to consider the upgrading of the lights at Providence Place later in the financial year.

(Unanimous)

2223/091 ITEM 15 – Wildflowers

The Wildflowers update was received and noted.

2223/092 ITEM 16 – Slackline Proposal

It was **RESOLVED** to advise Councillor Kettu that as Aireville Park is not under the jurisdiction of STC, to discuss the slackline proposal with North Yorkshire Councillor David Noland.

(Unanimous)

There was a discussion on whether slacklines could be incorporated into any of the STC managed parks, and that this could be considered as part of the Park Strategy.

2223/093 ITEM 16- Notification of Business for a Future Agenda

Cllr Harbron requested that at a future meeting there be a discussion regarding installing an extra street light on the Bailey.

The meeting closed at 19.34pm

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Chairman's Signature

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