



Skipton Town Council

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Full Council Thursday 27 July 2017 at 7pm

Present: Councillors A Rankine (Town Mayor), G Bell, C Clark, Mrs W Clark, J Dawson, C Dow, C Harbron, R G Heseltine, Mrs P Heseltine, A Hickman, E Jaquin, J Kerr, Mrs. K McIntyre & P Whitaker.

Officers: Dave Parker (Chief Officer) & Wendy Allsopp (Committee Services Officer)

6 members of the public were present

1. To accept representations from the Public between 7.00 pm and 7.15 pm.

Mr Jeff Harrison, representing Middletown Allotments Association attended the meeting to observe the debate during agenda item 7.

The Mayor told Mr Harrison that he would not be permitted to stay in the meeting as the discussion was scheduled to take place during closed session.

Mr Michael Shadenburg told Members that he had received a Termination Notice for plot 10 Middletown Allotments and felt that he had been given no explanation as to why he had been evicted.

Ms Mary Arber, plot 22, spoke in support of Mr & Mrs Shadenburg.

With regard to the Council's land at North Parade Mr Adrian Green briefly told Members that the landowners circumstances had changed as new information had come to light.

Mr Green, Mr & Mrs Shadenburg, Ms Arber, Mr Harrison and Ms Jackson left the meeting at 7.15 pm.

2. To accept apologies for absence.

Cllrs M Emmerson & P Madeley.

3. To record declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in items on the agenda.

Cllrs R G Heseltine, Dawson, Mrs Heseltine, W Clark, C Clark, Jaquin & McIntyre each declared a non-pecuniary interest with regard to agenda item 7 as they were members of the Public Services Committee which made the decision to evict the allotment tenant.

4. To consider the recommendations of the Chief Officer relating to requests for dispensations to Members on items requiring a declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests.

None.

Cllr Harbron arrived at 7.20 pm

5. To consider excluding press and public for consideration of items 6 & 7 on the grounds that they relate to confidential matters.

It was **RESOLVED** that in accordance with Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable and in the public interest that the press and public be asked to withdraw.

6. To consider matters relating to the potential sale of land at North Parade, Skipton.

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7. To consider an appeal against a decision by the Public Services Committee to revoke a Tenancy Agreement at Middletown Allotments.

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The meeting closed at 8.05 pm