



Skipton Town Council

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Full Council
Thursday 18 September 2015 at 7pm

Present: Councillors G Bell, J W Dawson, C J Harbron, R G Heseltine, E Jaquin, Mrs. P Heseltine, P Madeley, Mrs. K McIntyre, A Rankine, Mrs. W E Clark, J Paton, C Clark, M Emmerson and A Hickman.

Officers: Dave Parker (Chief Officer) and Wendy Allsopp (Administration Assistant).

Other attendees: Paul Florentine (Waste and Recycling Manager - Craven District Council).

There were 2 members of the public in attendance.

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

Mrs Alexandra Jackson and Mr Jeff Harrison, Middletown allotment tenants, asked for an update relating to the drop-down bollard sited on the path leading to their plots.

The Chief Officer advised that a secret ballot would be taking place in due course as the Council had other priorities at this moment in time. He reminded the tenants that access to the plots in question could be made by contacting the Council office.

2. To accept apologies for absence.

Apologies were accepted from Cllr P H Whitaker due to him being on holiday leave.

Absent: C Dow.

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

Councillors Harbron, R G Heseltine, Dawson, Jaquin and Madeley each declared a non-pecuniary interest with regard to agenda item 12 as they are members of Craven District Council.

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.

5. To receive a presentation from Paul Florentine, Waste and Recycling Manager at Craven District Council, on changes to the Refuse Collection Point Policy in Skipton (Report attached).

Mr Florentine presented Craven District Council's (CDC's) proposals to Members.

It was understood and **NOTED** that that a new household waste collection scheme was proposed by the District Council. The scheme had already been tested in a 'pilot' area and a consultation was due to be implemented and rolled out to the whole of the town within the next couple of months.

6. To approve the minutes from the Full Council meetings held on 16 July 2015.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes from the Full Council meeting held on 16 July 2015 as a true and accurate record of what transpired at that meeting.

7. To report and receive information arising from the minutes of items not on the agenda from Members and the Chief Officer.

None.

8. To receive and consider minutes, recommendations and reports of the Environment and Planning Committee.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee meeting held on the 25 June 2015 as a true and accurate record of what transpired at that meeting.

9. To receive and consider minutes, recommendations and reports of the Public Services Committee.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the Public Services Committee meeting held on the 2 July 2015 as a true and accurate record of what transpired at that meeting.

10. To receive and consider minutes, recommendations and reports of the Finance and Policy Committee.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the Finance and Policy Committee meeting held on the 18 July 2015 as a true and accurate record of what transpired at that meeting.

11. To receive a report of the Mayoral Engagements for July until September 2015.

The Mayor, Councillor Gordon Bell, asked Members to note the engagements which he had attended. Councillor Bell had particularly enjoyed opening a new shop on the High Street, The Vintage Wash House, and recommended that Members visited it.

It was **NOTED** that the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Martin Emmerson, has attended an event hosted by the Mayor of Tadcaster as the Mayor had a prior engagement.

12. To receive an update from the Chief Officer and to consider any matters relating to the lease relating to the Council's occupation of offices at Skipton Town Hall (Report attached).

Members **NOTED** progress towards the signing of the lease for Skipton Town Hall.

It was **RESOLVED** to allow the Chief Officer to re-negotiate the rent free period due to the delay in the Town Council receiving the required documents from the District Council.

It was further **RESOLVED** that the next meeting of the Finance and Policy Committee scheduled for 15 October 2015 should be converted to an Extra Ordinary Full Council meeting in order for this matter to be discussed.

13. To receive an update from the Chief Officer and to consider any matters relating to the ongoing Staffing Review (Report attached).

Members **NOTED** progress with regard to the staffing review.

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the further extension of contracts for temporary staff members through to 31st December 2015.

14. Questions for the Leader of the Council.

None.

15. To receive notification of matters that members would like including on a future agenda.

Development of a future plan on the priorities and works carried out by the Council and its Committees.

The meeting closed at 7.56 pm