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Council

Minutes of Proceedings

At the **Annual Meeting of the District Council of Ryedale** held in the **Council Chamber, Ryedale House, Malton** on **Thursday 17 May 2018**

Present

Councillors Acomb, Joy Andrews, Paul Andrews, Steve Arnold, Val Arnold, Bailey, Burr MBE, Clark, Cleary, Cowling, Cussons MBE, Duncan, Farnell, Frank, Gardiner, Goodrick, Hope, Ives, Jowitt, Di Keal, Maud, Oxley (Chairman), Potter, Raper, Sanderson, Elizabeth Shields, Thornton, Wainwright (Vice-Chairman) and Windress

In Attendance

Will Baines, Beckie Bennett, Simon Copley, Mike James, Angela Jones, Nicki Lishman, Clare Slater and Anthony Winship

Minutes

1 **Chairman**

It was moved by Councillor Goodrick and seconded by Councillor Farnell that Councillor Cleary be elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

It was moved by Councillor Burr and seconded by Councillor Di Keal that Councillor Elizabeth Shields be elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

Upon being put to the vote the nomination for Councillor Cleary was declared carried.

Resolved

That Councillor Cleary be elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year until his successor becomes entitled to act as Chairman.

Councillor Cleary thereupon took the Chair, having first made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office as Chairman of Ryedale District Council, and thanked Members for his election.

Voting record

For Councillor Cleary 24

For Councillor Elizabeth Shields 5

2 **Vote of Thanks to Retiring Chairman**

The Chairman proposed and Councillor Clark seconded a vote of thanks to Councillor Oxley.

Upon being put to the vote the motion was carried.

Members then thanked the retiring Chairman, Councillor Oxley, for the efficient, able and courteous manner in which he had carried out his duties. The Chairman concluded by presenting a Past Chairman's Badge to Councillor Oxley.

Councillor Oxley responded and thanked Members and Officers of the Council for their support during his term of Office as Chairman of the Council.

Councillor Cleary's consort was to be his wife Mrs Caroline Cleary, who was unable to attend the meeting.

3 Vice Chairman

It was moved by Councillor Sanderson and seconded by Councillor Acomb that Councillor Val Arnold be appointed Vice Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

It was moved by Councillor Di Keal and seconded by Councillor Burr that Councillor Elizabeth Shields be appointed Vice Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

Upon being put to the vote the nomination for Councillor Val Arnold was declared carried.

Resolved

That Councillor Val Arnold be appointed Vice Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

Having first made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, as Vice Chairman of the Council, Councillor Val Arnold thanked Members for her appointment. The Chairman then invested Councillor Val Arnold with the Vice Chairman's Chain and Badge of Office. Councillor Val Arnold announced that her consort was to be her husband Councillor Steve Arnold.

Recorded vote

For Councillor Val Arnold (18 votes) - Councillors Acomb, Steve Arnold, Val Arnold, Bailey, Cleary, Cowling, Cussons, Duncan, Farnell, Frank, Gardiner, Goodrick, Ives, Oxley, Raper, Sanderson, Wainwright and Windress.

For Councillor Elizabeth Shields (6 votes) – Councillors Paul Andrews, Burr, Jowitt, Di Keal, Maud and Elizabeth Shields.

Abstentions (5 votes) – Councillors Joy Andrews, Clark, Hope, Potter and Thornton.

4 Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

5 Minutes

The minutes of the Annual Meeting of Council held on 18 May 2017 were presented.

Resolved

That the minutes of the Annual Meeting of Council held on 18 May 2017 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

6 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business which the Chairman considered should be dealt with as a matter of urgency by virtue of Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

7 Declarations of Interest

The Chairman noted that a number of Members were North Yorkshire County Councillors.

No other interests were declared.

8 Announcements

The Chairman made the following announcements:

- a) That his Chaplain was to be Father Tim Bywater;
- b) That his Charities for the year were to be Ryedale Special Families and the Yorkshire Air Ambulance.

9 Leader of the Council and Deputy Leader of the Council

It was reported that in accordance with the Council Constitution (Part 4 - Rules of Procedure) the Council may at its Annual Meeting elect a Leader of the Council and a Deputy Leader of the Council for the ensuing year.

It was proposed by Councillor Ives and seconded by Councillor Clark that Ryedale District Council not elect a Leader of the Council for the ensuing year.

Upon being put to the vote the motion was carried.

Resolved

That a Leader of the Council not be appointed.

Voting record

For 29

Against 0

Abstentions 0

10 **The Allocation of Seats on Committees between Political Groups and the Appointment of Members to Committees**

The Chief Executive submitted a report (previously circulated) which detailed the following:

A. Committees for 2018-2019

In accordance with the Council's Constitution, the Council was requested to appoint the Committees as indicated in Annex A or alternative option as presented to the Council by the Chief Executive (Interim).

B. The allocation of seats on Committees between political groups and the appointment of Members to Committees

Ryedale District Council was to be treated as being divided into different political groups for the purposes of the Local Government & Housing Act 1989, because at least one political group had been constituted in the prescribed way.

The Local Government & Housing Act 1989 required the distribution of seats on committees and sub-committees to be on the basis of political proportionality so far as 'reasonably practicable' unless different provision is made in such manner prescribed by regulations and without any Member voting against them.

Members considered the recommendations in the report.

Recommendation 1

It was moved by Councillor Ives and seconded by Councillor Clark that the Council divide Committee seats between political groups in accordance with the allocation shown at Annex A of these minutes.

Upon being put to the vote the motion was carried.

Resolved

That the Council divides Committee seats between political groups as set out in Annex A of these minutes.

Voting record

For 26

Against 0

Abstentions 3

Recommendation 4

With reference to recommendation 4 of the report, Members were reminded that the Annual Meeting of Council elected the Chairmen and Vice Chairmen of Committees, with the exception of the Licensing Committee.

It was recommended that the Licensing Committee appoint its own Chairman and Vice-Chairman at its next meeting.

Nominations were then sought for the Chairmen and Vice Chairmen of Committees.

Role	Nominee	Proposer	Second	Voting Record	Outcome
Chairman of Policy & Resources	Cllr Ives	Cllr Steve Arnold	Cllr Clark	24 For 1 Against 4 Abstentions	Cllr Ives elected
Vice Chairman of Policy & Resources	Cllr Steve Arnold	Cllr Ives	Cllr Farnell	24 For 0 Against 5 Abstentions	Cllr Steve Arnold elected
Chairman of Planning	Cllr Farnell	Cllr Ives	Cllr Clark	29 For 0 Against 0 Abstentions	Cllr Farnell elected
Vice Chairman of Planning	Cllr Windress	Cllr Wainwright	Cllr Hope	17 Cllr Windress 9 Cllr Elizabeth Shields 3 Abstentions	Cllr Windress elected
	Cllr Elizabeth Shields	Cllr Di Keal	Cllr Paul Andrews		
Chairman of Overview & Scrutiny	Cllr Cowling	Cllr Wainwright	Cllr Cussons	13 Cllr Cowling 14 Cllr Clark 2 Abstentions	Cllr Clark elected
	Cllr Clark	Cllr Di Keal	Cllr Paul Andrews		
Vice Chairman of Overview & Scrutiny	Cllr Acomb	Cllr Clark	Cllr Jowitt	27 For 0 Against 2 Abstentions	Cllr Acomb elected

Recorded vote for Chairman of Overview & Scrutiny

For Councillor Cowling (13 votes) - Councillors Steve Arnold, Val Arnold, Bailey, Cleary, Cowling, Cussons, Frank, Hope, Ives, Raper, Wainwright and Windress.

For Councillor Clark (14 votes) – Councillors Acomb, Joy Andrews, Paul Andrews, Burr, Clark, Duncan, Farnell, Goodrick, Jowitt, Di Keal, Maud, Potter, Sanderson, Elizabeth Shields and Thornton.

Abstentions (2 votes) – Councillors Gardiner and Oxley.

Names were provided by Group Leaders to populate Annex B of the report.

The recommendations 2-3 and 5-6 were moved and seconded en bloc, as follows:

Recommendation 2

That membership of the Committees be that shown in Annex B.

Recommendation 3

That the Membership of the Licensing Committee be the same as appointed to the Planning Committee.

Recommendation 5

That the terms of reference of the Policy & Resources Committee, Licensing Committee, Overview & Scrutiny Committee, Planning Committee and the Scheme of Officer Delegation are those set out in Part 3 of the Council's Constitution as amended.

Recommendation 6

That the Chief Executive be authorised to make consequential amendments to the Constitution arising from the changes referred to above.

Upon being put to the vote, the motion was carried.

Voting Record

For 28

Against 0

Abstentions 0

Resolved

- a) That the Council divides Committee seats between political groups as set out in Annex A of these minutes
- b) That membership of Committees be as indicated at Annex B to these minutes

c) That the membership of the Licensing Committee be the same Members as appointed to the Planning Committee

d) That, with the exception of the Licensing Committee Chairman and Vice Chairman, who were to be appointed at the next Committee meeting, the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of Committees be appointed as follows:

Policy & Resources Committee

- (i) Chairman Councillor Ives
- (ii) Vice-Chairman Councillor Steve Arnold

Planning Committee

- (i) Chairman Councillor Farnell
- (ii) Vice-Chairman Councillor Windress

Overview & Scrutiny Committee

- (i) Chairman Councillor Clark
- (ii) Vice-Chairman Councillor Acomb

e) That the terms of reference of the Policy & Resources Committee, Licensing Committee, Overview & Scrutiny Committee and Planning Committee and the Scheme of Officer Delegation be those as set out in Part 3 of the Council's Constitution

f) That the Chief Executive be authorised to make consequential amendments to the Constitution arising from the changes referred to above.

11 **Any other business that the Chairman decides is urgent**

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 4.51pm.

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ANNEX A

DIVISION OF MAIN COMMITTEE SEATS FOR 2018/2019

Part 1. COMMITTEE SEATS

<u>Political Group</u>	Policy & Resources	Overview & Scrutiny Committee	Planning Committee	Total (30 Seats)
Conservative	5 (4.33)	4 (4.33)	4 (4.33)	13
Independents	2 (2.66)	3 (2.66)	3 (2.66)	8
Liberal	2 (1.33)	1 (1.33)	1 (1.33)	4
New Independents	1 (1)	1 (1)	1 (1)	3
Lib Dem	0 (0.66)	1 (0.66)	1 (0.66)	2
	10	10	10	30

Part 2. LICENSING COMMITTEE

	Licensing Committee
Conservative	4
Independents	3
New Independents	1
Liberal	1
Lib Dem	1

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RYEDALE DISTRICT COUNCIL**APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES – 17 MAY 2018****POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

<u>Conservative</u>	<u>Independents</u>	<u>Liberal</u>	<u>Liberal Democrat</u>	<u>New Independents</u>
L Ives (C) S Arnold (VC) V Arnold K Duncan R Gardiner	R Wainwright J Raper	J Andrews T Thornton		L Burr
<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>
M Cleary F Farnell	E Hope B Maud	J Clark		P Andrews

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

<u>Conservative</u>	<u>Independents</u>	<u>Liberal</u>	<u>Liberal Democrat</u>	<u>New Independents</u>
G Acomb (VC) J Bailey W Oxley J Sanderson	L Cowling D Cussons J Frank	J Clark (C)	D E Keal	E Jowitt

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Conservative

F Farnell (C)
M Cleary
C Goodrick
T Jainu-Deen

Independents

J Windress (VC)
E Hope
B Maud

Liberal

M Potter

Liberal Democrat

E Shields

New Independents

P Andrews

Substitutes

S Arnold
V Arnold

Substitutes

R Wainwright
J Raper

Substitutes

T Thornton
J Clark

Substitutes

D Keal

Substitutes

L Burr

LICENSING COMMITTEE

Conservative

F Farnell
M Cleary
C Goodrick
T Jainu-Deen

Independents

J Windress
E Hope
B Maud

Liberal

M Potter

Liberal Democrat

E Shields

New Independents

P Andrews