Policy and Resources Committee

Held at Council Chamber, Ryedale House, Malton on Thursday 23 November 2017

Present

Councillors Paul Andrews, Steve Arnold (Vice-Chairman), Bailey, Cowling, Goodrick (Substitute), Ives (Chairman), Oxley, Potter, Raper and Wainwright

Substitutes: Councillor C Goodrick

Overview & Scrutiny Committee Observers: Councillors Clark and Sanderson

In Attendance

Jos Holmes, Peter Johnson, Nicki Lishman and Clare Slater

Minutes

30 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Val Arnold, Councillor Goodrick substituted.

31 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 September 2017 were presented.

Decision

That the minutes of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 21 September be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Voting record

8 for

1 abstention

To Consider the Recommendations from the Resources Working Party held on 9 November 2017

The minutes of the Resources Working Party held on 9 November 2017 were presented.

Resolved

That the recommendations of the Resources Working Party held on 9 November 2017 be approved.

Voting record

9 for

1 abstention

To Consider the Recommendations from the Corporate Peer Challenge Improvement Plan Working Party held on 9 November 2017

The minutes of the Corporate Peer Challenge Improvement Plan Working Party held on 9 November 2017 were presented.

Decision

That the recommendations of the Corporate Peer Challenge Improvement Plan Working Party held on 9 November 2017 be approved.

Voting record

7 for

3 abstentions

To Consider the Recommendations from the Grants Working Party held on 13 November 2017

The minutes of the Grants Working Party held on 13 November 2017 were presented.

Decision

That the recommendations of the Grants Working Party held on 13 November 2017 be approved.

Voting record

9 for

1 abstention

35 Urgent Business

There was no urgent business.

36 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Goodrick declared a personal non pecuniary but not prejudicial interest in Item 9 as the Council's representative to the Citizens Advice Bureau.

PART 'A' ITEMS - MATTERS TO BE DEALT WITH UNDER DELEGATED POWERS OR MATTERS DETERMINED BY COMMITTEE

37 Homelessness Strategy Action Plan 2015/20 - Annual Progress

Considered – Report of the Principal Specialist (People)

Decision

That the update on the 2015/2020 Homelessness Strategy Action Plan be noted.

Voting record

Unanimous

38 Ryedale Housing Strategy Action Plan 2015/21 - Annual Progress

Considered – Report of the Principal Specialist (People)

Decision

That the progress update on the Ryedale Housing Strategy Action Plan 2015/2021 be noted.

Voting record

Unanimous

39 **Delivering the Council Plan**

Considered – Report of the Delivery and Frontline Services Lead

Decision

That the report be noted.

Voting record

Unanimous

40 Revenue Budget Monitoring

Considered – Report of the Resources and Enabling Services Lead (s151)

Decision

That the report be noted.

Voting record

Unanimous

41 Enabling IT

Considered – Report of the Resources and Enabling Services Lead (s151)

Decision

That the report be noted.

Voting record

Unanimous

PART 'B' ITEMS - MATTERS REFERRED TO COUNCIL

42 Timetable of Meetings 2018/19

Considered – Report of the Resources and Enabling Services Lead (s151)

Recommendation to Council

That Council be recommended to approve the timetable of meetings attached as Annex A to the report, subject to any further amendment by the Scrutiny Committee on Scrutiny Committee meeting dates or Sub Committee meeting dates which will be determined at the meeting to be held on 30 November 2017.

Voting record

Unanimous

43 Localisation of Council Tax Support Scheme

Considered – Report of the Resources and Enabling Services Lead (s151)

Recommendation to Council

That Council is recommended to:

- (i) approve a Local Council Tax Support Scheme for 2018/19 which is unchanged from 2017/18; and
- (ii) authorise the Finance Manager in consultation with the Chairman of Policy and Resources Committee to undertake the necessary consultation work to design a scheme for 2019/20, in light of the experience in previous years, to be presented to Policy and Resources Committee in December 2018.

Voting record

Unanimous

44 Veritau Merger

This item was withdrawn.

45 Application to the Department of Communities and Local Government for a North Yorkshire and East Riding 100% Business Rates Retention Pilot in 2018/19

Considered – Report of the Resources and Enabling Services Lead (s151)

Recommendation to Council

- 2.1 That Council agrees with the action taken that Ryedale District Council, as a member of the North Yorkshire Business Rates Pool, be part of the North Yorkshire & East Riding submission to the Department for Communities and Local Government to become a 100% Business Rates Pilot in 2018/19.
- 2.2 Should the application be successful, delegated authority be given to the s151 Officer in conjunction with the Chair of the Policy and Resources Committee to formalise the pilot pool governance arrangements highlighted within the application.

Voting record

Unanimous

46 Expression of Interest for a future edition of the Tour de Yorkshire

Considered – Report of the Chief Executive (Interim)

Decision

That the Council does not express an interest for this round of bidding, however we continue to have discussions with partners regarding joint funding for potentially future years.

Voting record

8 for

1 abstention

47 Combined Authority Update

Considered – Report of the Chief Executive (Interim)

Recommendation to Council

- 2.1 That Council supports the development of a combined authority to include Ryedale, with officers attending any future discussions, on the principle of a partnership of the willing.
- 2.2 That the preferred geography for a Combined Authority to include Ryedale to be that which includes as great a portion of the Yorkshire Region as possible and including as a minimum, York, North Yorkshire and East Riding.

Voting record

8 for

1 abstention

48 Any other business that the Chairman decides is urgent.

There being no urgent business, the meeting closed at 8.40 pm