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Policy and Resources Committee

held at Ryedale House, Malton
on Thursday 7 April 2011

Present

Councillors Wainwright (in the Chair), Acomb, Arnold, Mrs Hodgson and Keal.

Substitute: Councillor Hope (for Councillor Knaggs)

In Attendance

T Anderson, Mrs L Carter, G Housden, P Long, J Rudd, Miss J Waggott and A Winship.

Minutes

67 **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bailey and Knaggs.

68 **Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee (Budget) held on 3 February 2011 and the minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee held on 10 February 2011**

The minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee held on 3 February 2011 (Budget) and the minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee held on 10 February 2011 were presented.

Resolved

That the minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee (Budget) held on 3 February 2011 and the minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee held on 10 February 2011 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record subject to it being noted that Councillor Mrs Hodgson had submitted her apologies for both meetings.

69 **Minutes of a Meeting of the Resources Working Party held on 15 March 2011**

The minutes of a meeting of the Resources Working Party held on 15 March 2011 were presented.

Resolved

That the minutes of a meeting of the Resources Working Party held on 15 March 2011 as submitted be endorsed.

70 **Urgent Business**

The Chairman reported that there were no items which he considered should be dealt with at the meeting as a matter of urgency by virtue of Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

71 **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest received.

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

72 **Delivering the Council Plan**

A report was submitted (previously circulated), which presented for information and comment the performance and progress made against the Council's agreed aims and strategic objectives as set out in the Council Plan for 2009/2013:

- Aim 1 – Housing Need
- Aim 2 – Economic Success
- Aim 3 – High Quality Environment
- Aim 4 – Active Safe Communities
- Aim 5 – To Transform the Council

The report outlined progress on the delivery of the Council Plan to the end of March 2011 in terms of actions delivered and performance levels achieved. The Heads of Service for Housing & Economy, Environment and Planning reported for information on their individual areas of responsibility.

The Chief Executive referred to Aim 5 – Transforming the Council – and reminded Members that the Council had successfully achieved the savings that it had set out to deliver through the One11 Programme for the 2011/12 Budget. This had resulted in setting a balanced budget and for the second consecutive year no increase in Council Tax. Ryedale was the only Council in Yorkshire and Humber to successfully apply for accreditation through Best Companies to work for. The Council had achieved better results than in the two previous years, resulting in the award of the status 'one to watch'.

Resolved

That the report be noted.

73 **Any other business that the Chairman decides is urgent.**

There being no other business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.35 pm.