

Policy and Resources Committee

Held at Council Chamber - Ryedale House, Malton, North Yorkshire YO17 7HH
on Thursday 19 June 2014

Present

Councillors J Andrews, Arnold (Vice-Chairman), Bailey, Clark, Mrs Cowling (Chairman), Ives, Legard and Wainwright (Substitute)

In Attendance

Will Baines, Jos Holmes, Peter Johnson, Phil Long, Yvette Turnbull, Julian Rudd and Janet Waggott.

Minutes

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillor Fraser and Councillor Walker (substitute Councillor Wainwright).

2 Minutes

Decision

That the minutes of the meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 3rd April 2014 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Voting record

5 votes for

3 abstentions

3 Urgent Business

Members were appointed to the following Working Parties/Sub-Committees as follows:

Senior Management Contracts Working Party

The Leader of the Council, Vice Chairman of Policy and Resources and the Staff Champion.

Resources Working Party

Conservatives – Councillors Arnold, Mrs Cowling, Mrs Frank, Mrs Goodrick, Ives and Legard.

Liberals – Councillor Andrews and Councillor Clark

Liberal Democrats – Councillor Mrs Keal

Independents – Councillor Walker

Community Grants Working Party

Conservatives – Councillor Arnold

Liberals – Councillor Clark
Liberal Democrats – Councillor Mrs Keal
Independents – Councillor Maud

Sub Committee – Appeals Panel

Chairman of Policy and Resources, Staff Champion and Vice Chairman of Policy and Resources

4 Declarations of Interest

The following interests were declared:

Councillor Legard declared a personal, non-pecuniary but not prejudicial interest in Item 14 (Ryedale Folk Museum) as he had been lobbied in support of the museum.

Councillor Clark declared a personal, non-pecuniary but not prejudicial interest in all items on the agenda in his role as a County Councillor.

Councillor Bailey declared a personal, non-pecuniary but not prejudicial interest in Item 14 (Ryedale Folk Museum) as he is a member of the North York Moors National Park Authority.

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

5 Delivering the Council's priorities 2014-2018

Considered – Report of the Chief Executive.

Decision

That the progress made by the Council in delivering its priorities in 2013/14 be noted and the challenges to be faced in 2014/15 that then became the Council's aims and objectives were agreed, subject to minor amendments within the report.

That the Aims and Strategic Objectives of the Council Business Plan for 2014/18 were agreed.

Councillor Clark asked that his vote against the recommendations with amendments be recorded.

Councillor Joy Andrews asked that her vote against the recommendations with amendments be recorded.

Voting record

6 votes for

2 votes against

6 **Community Grants**

Considered – Report of the Head of Economy and Infrastructure.

Decision

That:

- i) The Community Grant Scheme as outlined become operational; and
- ii) Policy and Resources Committee appoint a Community Grants Working Party to recommend projects for grant support to Policy and Resources Committee on a bi-annual basis.

Voting record

7 votes for
1 abstention

7 **Proposed legislation changes re. combined authorities and economic prosperity boards**

Considered – Report of the Head of Economy and Infrastructure.

Decision

That the 'proposed comments' within this report be forwarded to DCLG as the response of this Council to the proposal to amend legislation relating to combined authorities and economic prosperity boards.

Voting record

8 votes for
0 votes against

8 **Community Safety Partnership arrangements**

Considered – Report of the Head of Economy and Infrastructure

Decision

As follows:

- i) The merger of the Ryedale CSP with 6 North Yorkshire CSPs to create the North Yorkshire Community Safety Partnership (NYCSP)

ii) That Ryedale District Council joins the North Yorkshire Community Safety Partnership.

iii) That the Ryedale CSP Delivery Team, 'Safer Ryedale' becomes the Local Delivery Team for the NYCSP.

Voting record

8 votes for

0 votes against

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Exempt information

Resolved

That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 that the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item as there will be a likely disclosure of exempt information:

For agenda item 10 (Sundry debt recovery procedures and commercial debt arrears) - as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as the information provided relates to individuals.

For agenda item 11 (Ryedale Folk Museum – Request for Investment) - as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as the information provided relates to financial or business affairs of any particular person.

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Sundry debt recovery procedures and commercial debt arrears

Considered – Report of the Finance Manager.

Decision

That:

(i) The report is received by members

(ii) The current position on the recovery of commercial debts over 3 months is noted, and

(iii) That the current procedures for the pursuance of sundry debts are noted.

Voting record

7 votes for

1 abstention

PART 'B' ITEMS - MATTERS REFERRED TO COUNCIL

11 **Ryedale Folk Museum - request for investment**

Considered – Report of the Head of Economy and Infrastructure.

Recommendation to Council

That Council approves the recommendations in the exempt report.

Voting record

4 votes for

3 votes against

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

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9:10pm.