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## Council

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Minutes of Proceedings

At the **Annual Meeting of the District Council of Ryedale** held in the **Council Chamber, Ryedale House, Malton** on **Tuesday 17 May 2016**

## Present

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Councillors     Acomb  
                     Joy Andrews  
                     Paul Andrews  
                     Steve Arnold  
                     Val Arnold (Chairman)  
                     Bailey  
                     Clark  
                     Cleary  
                     Cowling  
                     Cussons  
                     Duncan  
                     Farnell  
                     Frank  
                     Gardiner (Vice-Chairman)  
                     Goodrick  
                     Hope  
                     Ives  
                     Jainu-Deen  
                     Jowitt  
                     Maud  
                     Potter  
                     Raper  
                     Thornton  
                     Wainwright  
                     Windress

## In Attendance

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Beckie Bennett  
Simon Copley  
Nicki Lishman  
Phil Long  
Clare Slater  
Janet Waggott  
Anthony Winship

## Minutes

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### 1        **Chairman**

It was moved by Councillor Cowling and seconded by Councillor Steve Arnold that Councillor Gardiner be elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

### **Resolved**

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

Councillor Gardiner 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.

## **2 Vote of thanks to retiring Chairman**

The Chairman proposed and Councillor Cowling seconded a vote of thanks to Councillor Val Arnold.

Upon being put to the vote the motion was carried.

The Chairman then thanked the retiring Chairman, Councillor Val Arnold, for the efficient, able and courteous manner in which she had carried out her duties and highlighted the excellent work she had done for her charities. The Chairman concluded by presenting a Past Chairman's Badge to Councillor Val Arnold.

Councillor Val Arnold responded and thanked her Chaplains, Andrew De Smet and Susan Binks, and Members and Officers of the Council for their support during her term of Office as Chairman of the Council.

Councillor Steve Arnold then invested Helen Gardiner with the Chairman's Consort's chain and badge of office.

## **3 Vice Chairman**

It was moved by Councillor Cowling and seconded by Councillor Bailey that Councillor Oxley be appointed Vice Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

### **Resolved**

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

Councillor Oxley would make the Declaration of Acceptance of Office on his return. The Chairman announced that the Vice Chairman's consort was to be his wife, Mrs Pat Oxley.

## **4 Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Burr, Keal, Oxley and Shields, and for late arrival from Councillor Goodrick.

## **5 Minutes**

The minutes of the Annual Meeting of Council held on 21 May 2015 were presented.

### **Resolved**

That the minutes of the Annual Meeting of Council held on 21 May 2015 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**

There were no declarations of interest.

**8 Announcements**

The Chairman announced:

- (a) That his Chaplains were to be Andrew De Smet and Susan Binks;
- (b) That his Charities for the year were to be Yorkshire Air Ambulance and Ryedale Charities Together.

**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 Steve Arnold and seconded by Councillor Bailey that Ryedale District Council elect a Leader of the Council for the ensuing year.

Upon being put to the vote the motion was carried.

Recorded Vote

For - Councillors Acomb, S Arnold, V Arnold, Bailey, Cleary, Cowling, Cussons, Duncan, Farnell, Frank, Gardiner, Hope, Ives, Jainu-Deen, Maud, Raper, Wainwright and Windress.

Against - Councillors J Andrews, P Andrews, Clark, Potter and Thornton

Abstentions - Councillor Jainu-Deen

It was proposed by Councillor Steve Arnold and seconded by Councillor Bailey that Councillor Mrs Cowling be elected Leader of the Council.

Upon being put to the vote the motion was carried.

Voting Record

18 For

5 Against

1 Abstentions

It was moved by Councillor Cowling and seconded by Councillor Steve Arnold that Ryedale District Council does not appoint a Deputy Leader for the ensuing year.

Upon being put to the vote the motion was carried.

Voting Record

Unanimous

**Resolved**

- (a) That a Leader of the Council be appointed;
- (b) That Councillor Mrs Cowling be appointed Leader of the Council for the ensuing year;
- (c) That a Deputy Leader of the Council not be appointed.

**10 The allocation of seats on Committees between political groups and the appointment of Members to Committees**

The Chief Executive submitted a report which detailed the following:

**A. Committees for 2016-2017**

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

**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.

The recommendations 1-3 and 5-6 were moved and seconded en bloc, as follows:

**Recommendation 1**

That the Council divide Committee seats between political groups in accordance with the allocation shown at Annex A of the report.

**Recommendation 2**

That membership of the Committees be that shown at Annex B of the report.

**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

Unanimous

#### **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.

#### **Resolved**

- (a) That the Council divides Committee seats between political groups as set out in Annex A of the report;
- (b) That membership of Committees be as indicated at Annex A 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 L Cowling
- (ii) Vice-Chairman Councillor S Arnold

#### Overview & Scrutiny Committee

- (i) Chairman Councillor D E Keal
- (ii) Vice-Chairman Councillor G Acomb

#### Planning Committee

- (i) Chairman Councillor J A Windress

- (ii) Vice-Chairman Councillor J Frank
- (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.

## **ANNEX A**

### **11 Appointment of Independent Person**

Councillor Wainwright moved and Councillor Acomb seconded that Council appoint the following applicants as independent persons for a term of four years with effect from 12 July 2016:

- i. Duncan Webster
- ii. Gill Baker

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

#### **Resolved:**

That Council appoint the following applicants as independent persons for a term of four years with effect from 12 July 2016:

- i. Duncan Webster
- ii. Gill Baker

Voting Record  
Unanimous

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

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 4.00 pm.

## RYEDALE DISTRICT COUNCIL

### APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES – 17 MAY 2016

#### POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

<u>Conservative</u>	<u>Independents</u>	<u>Liberal</u>	<u>Liberal Democrat</u>	<u>New Independents</u>
S Arnold (VC) V M Arnold J R Bailey L Cowling (C) L P Ives W R F H Oxley J R Raper	-	J S Clark J Andrews		P J Andrews
<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>
M J T Cleary F A Farnell C G Goodrick E Hope		T J Thornton M Potter		L M Burr

#### OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

<u>Conservative</u>	<u>Independents</u>	<u>Liberal</u>	<u>Liberal Democrat</u>	<u>New Independents</u>
G Acomb (VC) D E Cussons K C Duncan R W K Gardiner R T Jainu-Deen J E Sanderson	C R Wainwright	M Potter	D E Keal (C)	W E Jowitt

## **PLANNING COMMITTEE**

### **Conservative**

M J T Cleary  
F A Farnell  
J Frank (VC)  
C G Goodrick  
E Hope  
J A Windress (C)

### **Independents**

B Maud

### **Liberal**

T J Thornton

### **Liberal Democrat**

E L Shields

### **New Independents**

L M Burr

### **Substitutes**

S Arnold  
V M Arnold  
D E Cussons  
J R Raper

### **Substitutes**

C R Wainwright

### **Substitutes**

J Andrews  
J S Clark

### **Substitutes**

D E Keal

### **Substitutes**

P J Andrews

## **LICENSING COMMITTEE**

### **Conservative**

M J T Cleary  
F A Farnell  
J Frank  
C G Goodrick  
E Hope  
J A Windress

### **Independents**

B Maud

### **Liberal**

T J Thornton

### **Liberal Democrat**

E L Shields

### **New Independents**

L M Burr