



COUNCIL

Council Summons and Agenda

You are hereby summoned to attend the **Annual Meeting of Ryedale District Council** to be held in the **Council Chamber, Ryedale House, Malton** on **Tuesday, 17 May 2016** at **3.00 pm** in the afternoon for the transaction of the following business:

Agenda

- 1 **Emergency Evacuation Procedure**
The Chairman to inform Members of the Public of the emergency evacuation procedure.
- 2 **Chairman**
To elect a Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.
- 3 **Vote of thanks to retiring Chairman**
- 4 **Vice Chairman**
To elect a Vice Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.
- 5 **Apologies for absence**
- 6 **Minutes** (Pages 5 - 20)
To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Annual Meeting of Council held on 21 May 2015.
- 7 **Urgent Business**
To receive notice of any urgent business which the Chairman considers 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.

8 **Declarations of Interest**

Members to indicate whether they will be declaring any interests under the Code of Conduct.

Members making a declaration of interest at a meeting of a Committee or Council are required to disclose the existence and nature of that interest. This requirement is not discharged by merely declaring a personal interest without further explanation.

9 **Announcements**

10 **Leader of the Council and Deputy Leader of the Council**

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 appoint a Deputy Leader of the Council for the ensuing year. It follows from the wording of the Constitution that the Council can decline to make these appointments.

11 **The allocation of seats on Committees between political groups and the appointment of Members to Committees** (Pages 21 - 28)

- (a) Committees for 2016/2017
- (b) The allocation of seats on Committees between political groups and the appointment of Members to Committees
- (c) The appointment of Chairmen and Vice Chairmen of Committees.

12 **Appointment of Independent Person**

On 17 May 2012 the Council adopted a new Code of Conduct setting out general principles of expected behaviour by Councillors and specifying requirements for the registration and declaration of their financial and other interests. The Council also approved a new simplified local process for dealing with complaints of alleged breaches of the Code.

The Localism Act 2011 specifies that the Council must appoint an Independent Person to be involved in this process. That role is currently being undertaken by two persons whose terms of office comes to an end on 12 July 2016.

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting on 7 April 2016 considered a report relating to the recruitment and appointment of Independent Persons .

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee resolved as follows :

“That the vacancy for the position of Independent Person with Role Description and Person Specification shown on the attached Annex to the report be approved.

That an interviewing panel comprising the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee make recommendations for appointment to the Council.”

The Council has received two applications for the position of Independent Person. The Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee recommend that Council appoints the following applicants as independent persons for a term of four years with effect from 12 July 2016:

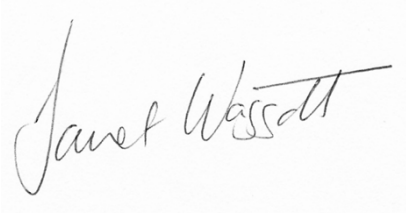
- i. Duncan Webster

ii. Gill Baker

13 Any other business that the Chairman decides is urgent.

For Information Only (Pages 29 - 32)

- 2015/16 Annual Report From The Young People's Champion

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Janet Waggott
Chief Executive

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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 21 May 2015**

Present

Councillors Acomb
 Joy Andrews
 Paul Andrews
 Steve Arnold (Vice-Chairman)
 Val Arnold
 Bailey
 Burr MBE
 Clark
 Cleary
 Cowling
 Duncan
 Evans
 Farnell
 Frank
 Gardiner
 Goodrick
 Hope
 Ives (Chairman)
 Jainu-Deen
 Jowitt
 Keal
 Oxley
 Raper
 Shields
 Wainwright
 Windress

In Attendance

Lynne Abbey
Jill Baldwin
Simon Copley
Peter Johnson
Phil Long
Bridget Skaife
Janet Waggott
Anthony Winship

Minutes

1 **Chairman**

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

Resolved

That Councillor Val Arnold be elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year until her successor becomes entitled to act as Chairman.

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

2 Vote of thanks to retiring Chairman

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

Upon being put to the vote the motion was carried.

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

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

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

3 Vice Chairman

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

Resolved

That Councillor Gardiner 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 Gardiner thanked Members for his appointment. The Chairman then invested Councillor Gardiner with the Vice Chairman's Chain and Badge of Office. Councillor Gardiner announced that his consort was to be his wife Helen Gardiner. The Chairman then invested Helen Gardiner with the Vice Chairman's consort's chain and badge of office.

4 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Cussons Maud, Sanderson and Thornton.

Apologies were received for the late arrival of Councillor Goodrick

5 Minutes

The minutes of the Annual Meeting of Council held on 15 May 2014 were presented.

Resolved

That the minutes of the Annual Meeting of Council held on 15 May 2014 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 following interests were declared:

Councillor Val Arnold declared a personal non-pecuniary but not prejudicial interest in agenda item 11 Representation on outside organisations - North Yorkshire County Council - Scrutiny of Health Committee as she sits as a Committee Member.

Councillor Clark declared a personal non-pecuniary but not prejudicial interest in agenda item 11 Representation on outside organisations - North Yorkshire County Council - Scrutiny of Health Committee as he sits as a Committee Member.

Councillor Val Arnold declared a personal non-pecuniary but not prejudicial interest in agenda item 11 Representation on outside organisations North Yorkshire County Council - Ryedale Area Committee (All Wards) as she sits as Committee Chairman.

Councillor Steve Arnold declared a personal non-pecuniary but not prejudicial interest in agenda item 11 Representation on outside organisations - North York Moors coast and Hills Leader Local Action Ground as he is the Vice Chairman of this Committee.

8 Announcements

The Chairman announced:

- (a) That her Chaplain was to be Reverend Andrew De Smet;
- (b) That her Charities for the year were to be Macmillan Cancer and 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 Steve Arnold and seconded by Councillor Raper that Ryedale District Council elect a Leader of the Council for the ensuing year.

Upon being put to the vote the motion was carried.

Voting Record

21 For
3 Against
1 Abstentions

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

Upon being put to the vote the motion was carried.

Voting Record

20 For
3 Against
2 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 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 2015-2016

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.

The terms of reference of the Policy & Resources Committee, Licensing Committee and Overview & Scrutiny Committee were those as set out in Part 3 of the Council's Constitution.

Members considered the recommendations in the report.

The recommendations 1-5 and 7-8 were moved and seconded en bloc, as follows:

Recommendation 1

That the Council's Committees be those as specified in Annex A of the report.

Recommendation 2

That the size of the Council's Committees be as specified in Annex A of the report.

Recommendation 3

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

Recommendation 4

That the revised Annex B of the report as circulated at the meeting be approved with the addition of nominations circulated from the Liberal Group.

Recommendation 5

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

Recommendation 7

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 8

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 6

With reference to recommendation (6) 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 appoints those Committees indicated at Annex A of the report;
- (b) That the size of Committees be as specified at Annex A of the report;

- (c) That the Council divides Committee seats between political groups as set out in Annex A of the report;
- (d) That membership of Committees be as indicated at Annex A to these minutes;
- (e) That the membership of the Licensing Committee be the same Members as appointed to the Planning Committee;
- (f) 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 C R Wainwright
- (ii) Vice-Chairman Councillor G Acomb

Planning Committee

- (i) Chairman Councillor J A Windress
- (ii) Vice-Chairman Councillor J Frank

- (g) 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;
- (h) That the Chief Executive be authorised to make consequential amendments to the Constitution arising from the changes referred to above.

11 Representation on outside organisations

Members considered a list of outside organisations and the appointment or nomination of representatives to serve on the various bodies.

Councillor Ives proposed and Councillor Cowling seconded the following motion:

That the requirement set out in minute number 114 of the meeting of Council on 6 March 2014, point (v) of the resolution, that an oral statement of skills, expertise and, where appropriate, attendance record be provided upon nomination be repealed.

Upon being put to the vote the motion was carried.

Recorded Vote

For

Councillors S Arnold, V Arnold, Bailey, Cleary, Cowling, Duncan, Evans, Farnell, Frank, Gardiner, Goodrick, Hope, Ives, Jainu-Deen, Raper, Wainwright, Windress.

Against

J Andrews, P Andrews, Burr, Clark, Jowitt, Keal, Shields

Abstentions

Oxley

Members then voted on the list of nominations for the outside bodies.

Resolved

- (a) That the requirement set out in minute number 114 of the meeting of Council on 6 March 2014, point (v) of the resolution, that an oral statement of skills, expertise and, where appropriate, attendance record be provided upon nomination be repealed.
- (b) That the appointment of representatives to serve on outside organisations for the ensuing four years be as indicated in Annex B to these minutes.
- (c) Ryedale Housing Forum not be included on the list of outside bodies but one representative of each group be invited and given one week's notice.

12 Appointment of Member Champions

A list of the current appointments was submitted for consideration.

Resolved

That Member Champions be appointed for the ensuing four years as follows:

Subject/Service

Member

Children & Young People

Councillor Duncan

IT	Councillor Ives
Older People/Adult Safeguarding	Councillor Burr
Equalities/Staff Issues	Councillor Farnell
Waste Management	Councillor Jainu-Deen
Parish/Town Councils	Councillor Acomb
Sport & Physical Recreation	Councillor Cleary
Health & Safety Enforcement	Councillor Gardiner

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

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 5.45pm.

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RYEDALE DISTRICT COUNCIL

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES – 21 MAY 2015

POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

<u>Conservative</u>	<u>Independents</u>	<u>Liberal</u>	<u>Liberal Democrat</u>	<u>New Independents</u>
S Arnold (Vice Chairman) V M Arnold J R Bailey L Cowling (Chairman) L P Ives W R F H Oxley J R Raper	-	J S Clark	D E Keal	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 J Andrews	E L Shields	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 (Vice Chairman) D E Cussons K C Duncan P R Evans R W K Gardiner J E Sanderson	C R Wainwright (Chairman)	J Andrews	E L Shields	W E Jowitt

ANNEX A

PLANNING COMMITTEE

<u>Conservative</u>	<u>Independents</u>	<u>Liberal</u>	<u>Liberal Democrat</u>	<u>New Independents</u>
M J T Cleary R T Jainu-Deen F A Farnell J Frank (Vice Chairman) C G Goodrick E Hope J A Windress (Chairman)	B Maud	T J Thornton	-	L M Burr
<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>
S Arnold V M Arnold D E Cussons J R Raper	C R Wainwright	J Andrews J S Clark	-	P J Andrews

LICENSING COMMITTEE

<u>Conservative</u>	<u>Independents</u>	<u>Liberal</u>	<u>Liberal Democrat</u>	<u>New Independents</u>
M J T Cleary R T Jainu-Deen F A Farnell J Frank C G Goodrick E Hope J A Windress	B Maud	T J Thornton	-	L M Burr

REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

<u>ORGANISATION</u>	<u>REPRESENTATIVES</u> <u>2015 – 2019</u>
COMMUNITY & VOLUNTARY SECTORS	
Ryedale Citizens' Advice Bureau (All Wards)	Representative: Councillor C Goodrick Substitute: Councillor P Andrews
Ryedale Community Transport – Ryecat Project (All Wards)	Representative: Councillor G Acomb Substitute: Councillor P Evans
Ryedale YMCA Board of Management (All Wards)	Representative: Councillor S Arnold Representative: Head of Paid Service or Nominated Representative Substitute: Vacancy
LEISURE/ARTS/CULTURAL	
Harrison Collection Trust (Dales Ward)	Representative: Councillor J Frank Substitute: Councillor S Arnold
Milton Rooms Management Committee (Malton Ward)	Representative: Councillor G Acomb Substitute: Councillor L Cowling
Ryedale Folk Museum (Dales Ward)	Representative: Councillor G Acomb Substitute: Councillor J Frank
Ryedale Tourism Advisory Board (All Wards)	Representative: Councillor W Oxley Substitute: Councillor V Arnold
Welcome to Yorkshire Annual General Meeting (All Wards)	Representative: Councillor V Arnold Substitute: Councillor J Windress
LOCAL GOVERNMENT	
Local Government Association - SPARSE (All Wards)	Representative: Councillor S Arnold (No substitutes permitted)
Local Government Association General Assembly (All Wards)	Representative: Chairman of Policy and Resources (No substitutes permitted)
Local Government North Yorkshire & York (All Wards)	Representative: Leader of the Council Representative: Head of Paid Service or Nominated Representative

ANNEX B

North York Moors National Park Authority
(Wards: Ampleforth, Cropton, Dales, Helmsley, Kirkbymoorside, Pickering West, Sinnington, Thornton Dale)

Representative: Councillor J Bailey
Representative: Councillor J Frank

North Yorkshire County Council – Scrutiny of Health Committee
(All Wards)

Representative: Councillor R Gardiner
Substitute: Councillor E Shields

North Yorkshire County Council - Ryedale Area Committee
(All Wards)

Representative: Councillor L Cowling
Representative: Councillor C Goodrick
Representative: Councillor E Hope
Substitute: Councillor S Arnold
Substitute: Councillor J Raper

North Yorkshire, City of York and East Riding Strategic Housing Board
(All Wards)

Representative: Councillor L Cowling
Substitute: Councillor P Evans

Yorkshire & Humber Local Authority Employers' Association
(All Wards)

Representative: Councillor G Acomb
Substitute: Councillor S Arnold

PARTNERSHIPS/JOINT COMMITTEE

North Yorkshire Procurement Partnership – Joint Procurement Committee
(All Wards)

Representative: Chairman of Policy and Resources
Substitute: Vice-Chairman of Policy and Resources

North Yorkshire Building Control Partnership
(All Wards)

Representative: Councillor J Raper
Substitute: Councillor M Cleary

Police and Crime Panel
(All Wards)

Representative: Councillor E Hope

PLANNING/ECONOMY/ENVIRONMENT

Coast, Wolds, Wetlands and Waterways LEADER Local Action Group
(Wards: Derwent, Rillington, Sherburn, Wolds)

Representative: Councillor P Evans
Substitute: Councillor T Jainu-Deen

Howardian Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty - Joint Advisory Committee
(Wards: Amotherby, Ampleforth, Derwent, Helmsley, Hovingham, Ryedale South West, Sheriff Hutton, Sinnington)

Representative: Councillor R Wainwright
Representative: Councillor F Farnell
Substitute: Councillor E Hope

ANNEX B

Malton & Norton Area Partnership Board
(Wards: Malton, Norton East and Norton West)

Representative: Councillor E Jowitt
Substitute: Councillor K Duncan

North York Moors Coast and Hills
LEADER Local Action Group
(Wards: Amotherby, Ampleforth, Cropton,
Dales, Derwent, Helmsley, Hovingham,
Kirkbymoorside, Malton, Norton East,
Norton West, Pickering East, Pickering
West, Ryedale South West, Sheriff Hutton,
Sinnington, Thornton Dale)

Representative: Councillor M Cleary
Substitute: Councillor G Acomb

Parking and Traffic Regulations outside
London (PATROL)
(All Wards)

Representative: Chairman of Policy and
Resources

Reserve Forces & Cadet Association for
Yorkshire and the Humber

Representative: Councillor J Raper
Substitute: Councillor W Oxley

Vale of Pickering Internal Drainage
Board
(Wards: Amotherby, Ampleforth, Cropton,
Derwent, Helmsley, Hovingham,
Kirkbymoorside, Malton, Norton East,
Norton West, Pickering East, Pickering
West, Rillington, Sherburn, Sinnington,
Thornton Dale)

Representative: Councillor L Cowling
Representative: Councillor D Cussons
Representative: Councillor J Raper
Substitute: Councillor G Acomb
Substitute: Councillor P Evans

York, North Yorkshire and East Riding
Local Enterprise Partnership Board incl

- Infrastructure Programme Board
- Joint Committee
- Spatial Planning and Transport
Board

(All Wards)

Representative: Councillor L Cowling

Substitute: Councillor S Arnold
(Spatial Planning and Transport Board only)

Yorkshire Energy Partnership Ltd
(All Wards)

Representative: Councillor T Jainu-Deen
Substitute: Councillor G Acomb

POLICE

Safer Ryedale Delivery Team
(All Wards)

Representative: Councillor E Hope
Representative: Councillor B Maud
Substitute: Councillor D Keal
Substitute: Councillor J Raper

ANNEX B

Community & Police Consultation

Groups:

Kirkbymoorside and Helmsley
(Wards: Ampleforth, Dales, Helmsley,
Kirkbymoorside, Sinnington)

Representative: Councillor S Arnold
Substitute: Councillor J Frank

Malton and Norton
(Wards: Malton, Norton East, Norton West)

Representative: Councillor K Duncan
Substitute: Councillor L Ives

Malton Rural East
(Wards: Derwent, Rillington, Sherburn,
Wolds)

Representative: Councillor P Evans
Substitute: Councillor J Raper

Malton Rural West
(Wards: Amotherby, Hovingham,
Ryedale South West, Sheriff Hutton)

Representative: Councillor E Hope
Substitute: Councillor J Raper

Pickering and Area
(Wards: Cropton, Pickering East, Pickering
West, Thornton Dale)

Representative: Vacancy
Substitute: Vacancy



REPORT TO:	ANNUAL COUNCIL
DATE:	17 MAY 2016
REPORT OF THE:	CHIEF EXECUTIVE JANET WAGGOTT
TITLE OF REPORT:	THE ALLOCATION OF SEATS ON COMMITTEES BETWEEN POLITICAL GROUPS AND THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES
WARDS AFFECTED:	ALL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to recommend the allocation of seats on committees to political groups and the appointment of Members to Committees for 2016/2017.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council decides the following:.

1. That the Council divides Committee seats between political groups in accordance with the allocation shown at the attached **Annex A**
2. Membership of the Committees to be that shown on **Annex B**.
3. That the membership of the Licensing Committee be the same Members as appointed to the Planning Committee.
4. That the Annual Meeting of Council elects the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of the Standing Committees with the exception of the Licensing Committee.
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.
6. That the Chief Executive be authorised to make consequential amendments to the Constitution arising from the changes referred to above.

3.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 To allow for the allocation of seats and appointment of members to committees to

which Group Leaders have agreed.

- 3.2 To comply with the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 as amended.

4.0 BACKGROUND AND INTRODUCTION

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

- 4.2 The Local Government & Housing Act 1989 and associated regulations, requires the distribution of seats on Committees and Sub-Committees to be on the basis of political proportionality so far as it is “reasonably practicable” between the political groups of the Council unless every Member of the Council agrees that some other basis of allocation should be used.

- 4.3 The distribution of Committee places between the groups needs to have regard to these rules.

- 4.4 Political proportionality on Committees is achieved in the following two stages:-

4.4.1 the first stage is the allocation of numbers of seats on Committees to each political group.

4.4.2 the second stage is the giving effect to such allocations by appointing individual Members.

If Council adopts **Annex A** the political proportionality rules apply to the following Committees of the Council:-

COMMITTEE	
1.	Policy & Resources Committee
2.	Overview & Scrutiny Committee
3.	Planning Committee

REPORT

5.0 POLICY CONTEXT

- 5.1 The strength of the political groups on the Council of 30 Members is as follows:-

Conservatives
19 (63%)
Liberals
4 (13%)
New Independents
3 (10%)
Liberal Democrats
2 (6.6%)
Independents
2 (6.6%)

5.2 Given the political composition of the Council, political proportionality is considered to be achieved with the following Committee sizes:-

Policy & Resources	10
Overview & Scrutiny	10
Planning Committee	10

Total 30

The seats on Committees which can be allocated between the political groups, therefore, total 30 seats.

5.3 The numerical entitlements have been divided as follows (these being the nearest divisions for mathematical accuracy and having regard to the fact that whole numbers must be attained):-

	Conservative	Liberal	New Independent	Independent	Lib Dem	Total
Committees	19	4	3	2	2	30

Against this background and on the basis of group constitutions the number of seats recommended to be allocated to each political group is as follows:-

Conservative	19
Liberal	4
New Independents	3
Independents	2
Liberal Democrat	2
	30

5.4 Council needs to divide committee seats between political groups.

5.5 The legal obligation to ensure that there is proportionality in the political composition of Committees extends only to proportionate representation of members of political groups and does not require ungrouped single members to be proportionally represented.

5.6 To avoid the unnecessary use of Officer time the best approach is for all political groups to make nominations before or at the Annual Meeting of Council. I have discussed this matter with all the political Group Leaders who have agreed the allocation and names to the committees as attached at Annex A and B.

5.7 **Annex C** outlines the procedure should any political group not make nominations.

6.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1 None

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Chief Executive**

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Background Papers:

Local Government & Housing Act 1989 as amended.

Report to Council 14.01.16

Background Papers are available for inspection at:
Ryedale House
www.ryedale.gov.uk

DIVISION OF MAIN COMMITTEE
SEATS FOR 2016/2017

Part 1. COMMITTEE SEATS

<u>Political Group</u>	Policy & Resources	Overview & Scrutiny Committee	Planning Committee	Total (30 Seats)
Conservative	7 (6.33)	6 (6.33)	6 (6.33)	19
Liberal	2 (1.33)	1 (1.33)	1 (1.33)	4
New Independents	1 (1)	1 (1)	1 (1)	3
Independents	0 (0.66)	1 (0.66)	1 (0.66)	2
Lib Dem	0 (0.66)	1 (0.66)	1 (0.66)	2
	10	10	10	30

Part 2. LICENSING COMMITTEE

	Licensing Committee
Conservative	6
Liberal	1
New Independents	1
Independents	1
Lib Dem	1

RYEDALE DISTRICT COUNCILAPPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES – 17 MAY 2016POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

<u>Conservative</u>	<u>Independents</u>	<u>Liberal</u>	<u>Liberal Democrat</u>	<u>New Independents</u>
S Arnold V M Arnold J R Bailey L Cowling 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 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	W E Jowitt

PLANNING COMMITTEE

<u>Conservative</u>	<u>Independents</u>	<u>Liberal</u>	<u>Liberal</u>	<u>New</u>
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M J T Cleary F A Farnell J Frank C G Goodrick E Hope J A Windress	B Maud	T J Thornton	<u>Democrat</u> E L Shields	<u>Independents</u> L M Burr
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LICENSING COMMITTEE

<u>Conservative</u>	<u>Independents</u>	<u>Liberal</u>	<u>Liberal Democrat</u>	<u>New Independents</u>
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NON-APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES

If any political group does not make nominations the procedure is as follows:-

Regulation 15 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 makes provision for appointments to Committees in circumstances where a political group has failed to express its wishes in relation to the appointment of its members to Committees.

The Annual Council meeting on 17 May 2016 would review the allocation of seats to all political groups;

The next day the proper officer gives the group formal notice of the allocation of seats to that political group;

The group then has three weeks beginning with the date on which notice is received to make nominations;

There would be a vacancy in respect of the Committee seats allocated to the group not making a nomination of a Member for the seat until the next subsequent Council meeting after Annual Council ;

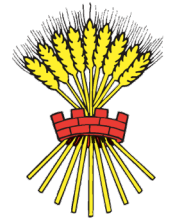
In the absence of a group making nominations within the three week period mentioned above, Council may make such appointment to that Committee seat as it thinks fit. In that event the political group may not have a seat on the Committee(s).

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**RYEDALE
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COUNCIL**



2015/16 ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S CHAMPION

1. Summary

- 1.1 Report for Ryedale District Council on the activities of the Member Champion for Children and Young People in 2015/16 to be presented at the Annual Meeting of Council 2016. The report is provided to update members with the activities of the Champion in my first year and act as a useful record from which future holders can build upon.

2. Recommendations

This Council resolves to:

- Note the activities presented in the report.
- Note the definition of the role of Young People's Champion and feedback potential opportunities to expand the role in future years.
- Authorise officers to circulate this report (and any subsequent reports) with future holders of the role to ensure best practice.

There are no financial, legal or other risks associated with these recommendations.

3. Background

- 3.1 The District Council appointed me to the role of Young People's Champion at Annual Council in May 2015 for a four-year term.
- 3.2 The role of Ryedale's YPC has no formal definition. As such, my first task was to look at how this role had been fulfilled in the past, how other councils interpreted the position and how best to continue work already in progress. Cllr Janet Sanderson's report of her activities from 2011-2014 and the definition of NYCC's YPC role acted as a very useful starting point from which to place my own stamp on the role.
- 3.3 With reference to the information discussed above, I have sought opportunities to:
- Act as spokesperson promoting aspects of our work with young people, feedback to council and make members aware of their issues.
 - Link the work of the District Council to the work of the County Council and other organisations.

- Support the work of the various Youth Councils to encourage young people to play an active role in having their say and shaping policies.
- Ensure that the views of children and young people and other interested parties are heard.
- Raise standards and performance within the Council.
- First and foremost, I remain prepared to help those young people who are most in need, and this role remains an apolitical one.

4. List of activities and meetings undertaken by the Young People's Champion over the past year

4.1 Ryedale committees and meetings attended

- Discussed previous RDC initiatives to engage young people with the democratic process with Simon Copley (Head of Democratic Services)
- I have worked closely alongside Louise Lunn (Business Liaison Manager) throughout my term, and would like to thank her in particular for the work she does to provide the young people of Ryedale with opportunities they otherwise would not have
- Met with Jos Holmes (Economy & Community Services Manager) to discuss economic development and a host of schemes that directly and indirectly support young people
- Discussed opportunities for young people to see democracy in action with Janet Waggott (Chief Executive) by attending upcoming election counts
- Attended the Member Development Session on Safeguarding

4.2 Meetings with other tiers of local government and external bodies

- Argued the case for a new school in Norton at a meeting of the NYCC Executive. I managed to persuade members to make the decision to provide an additional £3 million investment and keep open the option for this additional provision
- Discussed NYCC policies and developed strong links with Lead Member for Children's Services Cllr Janet Sanderson and Lead Member for Schools Cllr Arthur Barker
- Discussed the Council's current contract with NYBEP with Sue Gradwell (Chief Executive of NYBEP) in order to have a better understanding ahead of the contract's renewal
- I invited and accompanied Norton College and Lady Lumley's students to the Youth Voice Summit at Harrogate Pavillion with Police & Crime Commissioner Julia Mulligan, the Children's Commissioner for England Anne Longfield and other guests
- Toured the facilities at Derwent Training
- Spoke to members of Pickering Youth Town Council at their March meeting about the different tiers of local government, my life as a councillor and RDC's work on behalf young people. This afforded me the opportunity to develop links with the Mayor of Pickering and a representative of NY Youth
- Met with Jennie Piercy, a Family Outreach Support Worker from Children and Families Service Prevention at NYCC

- Attended Inspire days with 4-5 young people from each secondary school in North Yorkshire aged 14-16 at Marshall Aerospace in Kirkbymoorside and Yorkshire Baker in Norton
- Acted as a judge for the Ryedale heat of NYCC's Youth Debates alongside the Vice-Chairman of NYCC and NYCC's Lead Member for Children and Young People's Services with children from across the District's primary schools
- Closely followed the work of NYCC's Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee

5. Future developments and aims for the year ahead

- 5.1 2015/16 has been an opportunity to 'find my feet', speak to relevant people and gain an understanding of the issues facing today's young people and how all levels of local government and associated agencies are dealing with these issues.
- 5.2 With this basis established, there is now the opportunity to establish or expand a host of initiatives. This will require close working with officers and members, not only at RDC, but all three tiers of local government.
- 5.3 My main priorities are to continue to provide young people with opportunities to see democracy in action and involve young people in the decision making process. While there are already opportunities for young people to discuss issues that are important to them – through Youth Town Councils and the County's Debate Competition – these do not cover the entirety of our geography and age ranges. The count for the Police and Crime Commissioner elections is in an afternoon, so unfortunately the group of children I invited along could not attend due to school. If the County election count next year is on the night itself, I would like to invite some young people along. I would also like to explore opportunities to involve our MP, Kevin Hollinrake.
- 5.4 As always, I am open to suggestions from both members and officers, and welcome any comments you may have.

Councillor Keane Duncan
Member Champion for Children and Young People
April 2016

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