



COUNCIL

IMPORTANT: The Council fully recognises and respects the role and importance of democratic meetings and is committed to protecting the health and safety of Elected Members and Officers who participate.

This meeting will be held virtually. The meeting will take place via Microsoft Teams and details of how to join the meeting have been provided to Members of the Council. A telephone dial-in facility will also be available.

For the purpose of public transparency and accountability, the meeting will be live streamed online. The live stream can be accessed here:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZCvPUsJ0LwMJ9ukDsGf0Hw>

The media will be able to report on proceedings from the live stream.

Council Summons and Agenda

You are hereby summoned to attend an **Ordinary Meeting of Ryedale District Council** to be held as a **virtual meeting** on **Thursday, 15 April 2021 at 6.30 pm** in the evening for the transaction of the following business:

Agenda

1 **Meeting Etiquette**

The Chairman to outline good practice guidance for virtual meetings.

2 **Apologies for absence**

3 **Public Question Time**

4 **Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 18 February 2021 (and reconvened on 25 February 2021)** (Pages 7 - 52)

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 18 February 2021 (and reconvened on 25 February 2021).

5 **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.

6 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.

7 Announcements

To receive any announcements from the Chairman, the Leader and/or the Head of Paid Service.

8 To Receive any Questions submitted by Members Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 10.2 (Questions on Notice at Full Council)

a To Councillor Clark, Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee, from Councillor Docwra

“Assuming Council-owned leisure facilities reopened on April 12, will the Chairman of Policy and Resources Committee please confirm, in public, that they will remain open permanently?”

b To Councillor Clark, Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee, from Councillor Oxley

“Can the Chairman of Policy and Resources Committee, as de facto Leader of the Council, please confirm he feels truly able to deliver the priorities and objectives of the majority of this Council?”

c To Councillor Clark, Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee, from Councillor Delaney

“On March 30, the Council announced via a press release that “the time is right to reintroduce parking charges”. This has taken many residents and businesses by surprise. Can the Chairman of Policy and Resources Committee please explain exactly why he believes “the time is right to reintroduce parking charges” and why he failed to seek views from other Members before agreeing such a sensitive public announcement?”

d To Councillor Clark, Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee, from Councillor Arnold

“In November, this Council voted overwhelmingly to support the submission of our unitary proposal to government. The Liberal group was the only group to wholly oppose it. Why was the Chairman of Policy and Resources Committee so keen to block our submission and deny the government the chance to consider an alternative to the County Council’s plan?”

e To Councillor Clark, Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee, from Councillor Graham

“In order to be fully transparent with the electorate of Ryedale, can the Chairman of

Policy and Resources Committee please name the Councillors who make up the “coalition” or “collaboration” he leads?”

f To Councillor Clark, Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee, from Councillor Mackenzie

“Can the Chairman of Policy and Resources Committee please explain the reasoning behind his long-held opposition to the dualling of the A64?”

g To Councillor Clark, Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee, from Councillor Duncan

“For the purpose of clarity and transparency, and further to the discussion at the Policy and Resources Committee of 18 March 2021, can the Chairman of Policy and Resources Committee please confirm whether he has spoken to any persons representing North Yorkshire County Council (including Councillors and Officers) in relation to the current local government reorganisation proposals in North Yorkshire, and if so could he please confirm:

(a) the names of those individuals;

(b) the dates he spoke to those individuals; and

(c) the details of the discussions with those individuals, including whether this involved any discussion about persuading Ryedale councillors to support the county council’s proposal.”

9 Confirmation of Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair of Policy and Resources Committee

Confirmation of the appointments made to the following roles at the Policy and Resources Committee Meeting held on 18 March 2021:

Chair of Policy and Resources Committee	Councillor Clark
Vice Chair of Policy and Resources Committee	Councillor Frank

10 To consider for Approval the Recommendations in respect of the following Part 'B' Committee Items:

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a Minute 53 - Ryedale Plan - Local Plan Review - Call for sites consultation (Pages 53 - 66)

b Minute 54 - Statement of Community Involvement (Pages 67 - 108)

11 Motions on Notice Submitted Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 11

a Proposed by Councillor Middleton and Seconded by Councillor Garbutt-Moore

“East Riding Council wants to see the Wolds recognised as part of the Government’s 2020 pledge to increase the number of Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) and National Parks in England.

As a large part of the Wolds sits within in Ryedale, Ryedale District Council fully endorse the bid by East Riding Council and RDC Officers will work with East Riding to

ensure the bid is successful which will have benefits protecting the environment while supporting the economy.”

b Proposed by Councillor Duncan and seconded by Councillor Docwra

“This Council wishes to appoint a staff champion who commands the confidence of the Council’s workforce.

To aid Members in making this appointment at the Annual Meeting of Council held on May 20, this Council calls on Officers to facilitate a staff poll, in accordance with the following timetable:

- *Democratic services to receive a statement, no longer than one side of A4, from any Councillor interested in being included in the poll by May 3;*
- *Voting to open to all members of Ryedale’s staff, via an anonymous and secure online poll, by May 10, with statements from interested Councillors made accessible to all staff;*
- *Voting to close and the result of the poll, including the number of votes cast for each interested Councillor, to be announced by May 17;*
- *Councillors to vote at the Annual Meeting of Council on May 20 to appoint a staff champion in knowledge of the results of the staff poll.”*

c Proposed by Councillor Duncan and seconded by Councillor Arnold

“Contrary to the announcement made via press release on March 30, and condoned by the Chairman of Policy and Resources Committee with no consultation with other Members, this Council does not believe “the time is right to reintroduce parking charges”.

To give a much-needed helping hand to the district’s struggling businesses as they reopen after lockdown, this Council resolves to offer with immediate effect an element of free car parking, preferably capped at three hours, in all Ryedale District Council-owned car parks until at least May 27, when the issue will be reviewed properly and democratically by the Policy and Resources Committee.”

12 Local Government Reorganisation - Consultation Response (Pages 109 - 122)

Appendix E to follow

13 Exempt Information

To consider a resolution to exclude the press and public from the meeting during consideration of the following item 14 (The Railway Tavern, Norton – Request for an increase in budget utilising additional commuted sums), as provided by paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as it contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

The public interest test has been considered and, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption is considered to outweigh the public interest in disclosing the information.

14 The Railway Tavern, Norton - Request for an increase in budget utilising additional commuted sums (Pages 123 - 130)

15 **Any other business that the Chairman decides is urgent**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stacey Burlet', with a stylized, cursive flourish extending to the right.

Stacey Burlet
Chief Executive