

**MISSION STATEMENT**

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Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to a meeting of the Selby District Council to be held in the Civic Suite, Civic Centre, Portholme Road, Selby on **24 April 2007** commencing at **6.00 pm**.

Yours sincerely

M Connor  
Chief Executive

Opening Prayers will be offered.

## **AGENDA – PUBLIC SESSION**

### **1. Apologies for Absence**

To receive apologies for absence.

### **2. Disclosure of Interest**

To receive any disclosure of interest in matters to be considered at the meeting in accordance with Sections 94 and 117 of the Local Government Act 1972 or the National Code of Local Government Conduct.

### **3. Minutes**

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on 20 March 2007 (pages 5 - 13).

### **4. Communications**

To consider any communications received by the Chief Executive and to pass resolutions thereon if deemed necessary.

### **5. Public Questions**

To consider questions, if any, notice of which has been given in accordance with rule 5.21 of the Constitution.

### **6. Councillors' Questions**

To consider questions, if any, notice of which has been given in accordance with rule 5.22 of the Constitution.

### **7. Committee and Board Minutes**

Planning Committee  
21 March 2007

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Minutes 1602 - 1608  
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Planning Committee  
18 April 2007

To follow

Environment Board  
29 March 2007

Blue

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Social Board 3 April 2007	Yellow	Minutes 1618 - 1629 Pages 29 - 33
Economy Board 10 April 2007	Pink	Minutes 1630 - 1639 Pages 34 - 37
Overview and Scrutiny Committee 19 April 2007	To follow	
Policy and Resources Committee 17 April 2007	To follow	
Licensing Committee – For information 23 April 2007	To follow	

8. **Local Strategic Partnership Update**

Report of Head of Service – Policy and Performance (pages 38 to 43).

9. **Urgent Action**

The Chief Executive will report on any instances where he has acted in urgent or emergency situations under the functions delegated to him in the Constitution.

10. **Sealing of Documents**

To authorise the sealing of any documents necessary to action decisions of this Council meeting, or any of its Committees or Boards for which delegated authority is not already in existence.

**COUNCILLORS ARE REMINDED TO UPDATE THE REGISTER OF  
INTERESTS AFTER ANY CHANGE IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH MAY  
AFFECT CURRENT ENTRIES**

## Descriptions of Exempt Information

1. Information relating to any individual.
2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.
3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority.
5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
6. Information which reveals that the authority proposes –
  - (a) to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or
  - (b) to make an order or direction under any enactment.
7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.
8. Qualifications for Exempt Information:

Information falling within paragraph 3 is not exempt information by virtue of that paragraph if it is required to be registered under -

- (a) the Companies Act 1985;
  - (b) the Friendly Societies Act 1974;
  - (c) the Friendly Societies Act 1992;
  - (d) the Industrial and Provident Societies Acts 1965 to 1978;
  - (e) the Building Societies Act 1986; or
  - (f) the Charities Act 1993.
9. Information falling within any of the 7 categories listed above is not exempt if it relates to proposed development for which the local planning authority may grant itself planning permission pursuant to regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992.
  10. Information which;
    - (a) falls within any of paragraphs 1 to 7 above; and
    - (b) is not prevented from being exempt by virtue of paragraph 8 or 9 above,

is exempt information if and so long, as in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

## SELBY DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings of a meeting of the Council held on 20 March 2007, in the Civic Suite, the Civic Centre, Portholme Road, Selby, commencing at 6.00 pm.

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Present: Councillor J Mackman (Chairman) in the Chair

Councillors: Mrs J Ashton, D N Bain-Mackay, J Bedworth, Mrs E Casling, J Cattanach, I Chilvers, M Crane, J Crawford, G Croston, Mrs D Davies, Mrs S Duckett, Mrs J Dyson, P Harvey, Mrs M Hulme, Mrs G Ivey, C Lunn, B Marshall, Mrs W May, J McCartney, Mrs K McSherry, D McSherry, J Meehan, Mrs W Nichols, I Nutt, R Packham, R Parker D Peart, C Pearson, B Percival, Mrs F Ryan, R Sayner, RH Sweeting and R Wilson.

Officials: Chief Executive, Strategic Directors, Head of Service – Environmental Services and Leisure, Head of Service – Legal and Democratic Services, Head of Service – Finance and Central Services, Head of Service – Planning and Economic Development, Planning Policy Manager, Principal Economic Development Officer, Democratic Services Officer, Committee Administrator.

Observers: 1

The Reverend J Mdumulla offered opening prayers.

Public: 1

Press: 0

1586      **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors N Martin, C Metcalfe, Ms M Davis, S Shaw-Wright and W Inness.

1587      **Disclosure of Interest**

None received.

1588      **Minutes**

The Chief Executive confirmed to councillors that a formal response to the Post Office Network Consultation had been sent on behalf of Selby District Council and the other District Councils of North Yorkshire, following circulation to councillors (minute 1472 (c) – Council 6 February 2007).

Councillors were informed that the minutes from 6 March 2007 required amendment to include the condolences offered by the Chairman and members of Council to Councillor Mrs W May on the recent death of her daughter.

**Resolved that:**

- (i)      **The minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on 6 February 2007 be confirmed as a correct record and be signed by the Chairman; and**
- (ii)     **The minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on 6 March 2007 be confirmed as a correct record, subject to the amendment above, and be signed by the Chairman.**

1589      **Communications**

- (a)      Provision of Waste Bring Facilities in Sherburn

Councillors expressed their strong disappointment at the letter that had been received from Mr G Gresty, Corporate Director at North Yorkshire County Council with regard to providing a Waste Bring Facility at Sherburn-in-Elmet (minute 1472 (b) – Council 6 February 2007).

**Resolved:**

**That the matter be further explored by Council following the elections in May 2007.**

(b) Tewkesbury Borough Council

The Chief Executive informed councillors that he had received a letter from Tewkesbury Borough Council following a decision by the Government to disband the scheme whereby the Armed Forces' personnel received parcels free of charge when serving abroad. Tewkesbury Borough Council was requesting support from other councils to lobby the Government to reinstate this service.

**Resolved:**

**That the Council support Tewkesbury Borough Council in their efforts to reinstate free parcel delivery to Armed Forces' personnel stationed overseas.**

(c) Letter from Age Concern

The Chief Executive informed councillors that Councillor Ruth Sayner, the Council's current representative at Age Concern Selby District, had recently taken up the position of trustee of Age Concern. As a result, Age Concern had written to the Chief Executive requesting that a new representative be elected.

**Resolved:**

**That the matter be deferred until after the district elections in May 2007.**

1590 **Public Questions**

None received.

1591 **Councillors' Questions**

None received.

1592 **Committee and Board Minutes**

Overview & Scrutiny Committee – 8 February 2007

**Resolved:**

**That the minutes be noted.**

Economy Board – 13 February 2007

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Councillors noted that in minute 1506, the first recommendation should read: *“The draft CEDS, subject to the amendments to the skills element provided to the LSP Economy Sub-Group, be adopted”*.

**Resolved that:**

- (i) The Economy Board Work Programme 2007/2008 at minute 1503 be approved**
- (ii) The recommendation at minute 1512 regarding the asset management review be discussed at agenda item 14; and**
- (iii) The minutes, subject to the amendment above, be noted.**

Social Board – 20 February 2007

**Resolved that:**

- (i) The resolution at minute 1527 regarding the asset management review be discussed at agenda item 14; and**
- (ii) The minutes be noted.**

Environment Board – 22 February 2007

**Resolved that:**

- (i) The Environment Board Work Programme 2007/2008 at minute 1532 be approved**
- (ii) The resolution at minute 1538 regarding the asset management review be discussed at agenda item 14; and**
- (iii) The minutes be noted.**

Planning Committee – 28 February 2007

**Resolved:**

**That the minutes be noted.**

Grants Allocations Sub-Group – 6 March 2007

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**Resolved:**

**That the minutes be noted.**

Policy and Resources Committee – 6 March 2007

**Resolved that:**

- (i) The minutes be noted; and**
- (ii) The following minutes be approved:**
  - a. 1555 – Corporate Plan 2007- 2010**
  - b. 1557 – Protocol for the Management of Organisational Change (under Customer Services – Revised Staffing Structure)**
  - c. 1558 - Policy and Resources Committee Work Programme 2007/2008**
  - d. 1562 - Treasury Management – Strategy Statement 2007/08 and Annual Investment Strategy 2007/08**
  - e. 1563 - Prudential Borrowing Indicators 2007/08; and**
  - f. 1564 (b) Draft Community Economic Developments Strategy 2007 – 2012, subject to the amendment at minute 1592 above.**

Licensing Committee – 12 February 2007

Councillor R Sayner informed councillors that she had sent her apologies to the meeting, but these had not been recorded.

**Resolved:**

**That the minutes, subject to the amendment above, be noted.**

Licensing Committee – 12 March 2007

**Resolved:**

**That the minutes be noted.**

The Leader of the Council informed the Council that the Vice-Chairman, Councillor D McSherry, did not wish to stand in the forthcoming district elections. He gave thanks to Councillor D McSherry for all his hard work throughout the current municipal year in his position as Vice-Chairman.

Councillors discussed nominations for the Chairman and Vice-Chairman for the municipal year 2007/2008.

**Resolved:**

**That Councillors Mrs J Dyson and J Crawford be nominated to the offices of Chairman and Vice-Chairman Elect respectively for the 2007/2008 municipal year.**

1594

**Management of Housing Land Release**

The Head of Service – Legal and Democratic Services informed councillors that a letter had been received earlier that day from Cunnane Town Planning, with regard to the report before Council on the Management of Housing Land Release.

Councillors were informed by the Head of Service – Legal and Democratic Services that the issues raised in the previous letters sent by Cunnane had been addressed by the report before Council. This report explored fully the Council's current position and options available. It was his opinion that the Planning Policy Manager could deal with the issues raised in this most recent Cunnane letter verbally, during his presentation to councillors and that councillors could come to a decision on the proposals in the report.

The meeting of Council was then adjourned for 10 minutes, in order for councillors to read the Cunnane letter.

The Planning Policy Officer went through the letter in detail with councillors, outlining and addressing the issues raised. He then updated councillors on recent progress in the implementation of the Council's current policy on housing land release and possible interim management action prior to the adoption of the core strategy.

**Resolved that:**

- (i) No "Phase 2" housing sites be released until the broad distribution of future new development has been established through the core strategy, unless future monitoring indicates a need for earlier release**
- (ii) The case for producing an interim policy statement, in**

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**conjunction with the core strategy preferred options report, be reviewed when this year's monitoring results become available, and in the light of final RSS housing figures; and**

- (iii) Proposals for development on windfall sites continue to be carefully scrutinised to determine whether they are genuinely previously developed land, in accordance with national guidance, and that where development on previously developed land is proposed, including garden curtilages, particular regard be given to protecting the form and character of settlements, in accordance with SDLP policies ENV1, H2B, H6 and H7.**

1595

### **Revised Local Development Scheme**

Councillors considered the programme of local development documents to be included in the revised Local Development Scheme (LDS) and examined the draft LDS with a view to its submission to the Government Office for Yorkshire and the Humber (GOYH).

Councillors discussed at length the current position of the Council with regard to Parish Plans and considered ways in which the Council could offer greater support with their design and development.

#### **Resolved that:**

- (i) The revised LDS for 2007/2008 be approved for submission to GOYH**
- (ii) The Planning Policy Manager, in consultation with the Chair of the Policy and Resources Committee, be authorised to make any necessary amendments to the LDS to reflect GOYH requirements; and**
- (iii) The issue of Parish Plans be further considered by Council following the elections in May 2007**

1596

### **Urgent Action**

The Chief Executive reported on the action he had taken as a matter of urgency on the following item:

- Compromise agreement with an employee at Selby District Council.

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### **Sealing of Documents**

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To authorise the sealing of any documents necessary to action decisions of this Council Meeting, or any of its Committees and Boards for which delegated authority is not already in existence.

**Resolved:**

**That authority be granted for the signing of, or the Common Seal of the Council being affixed to, any documents necessary to give effect to any resolutions hereby approved.**

1598

### **PRIVATE SESSION**

**Resolved:**

**That in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business, as there will be a disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Section 12(A) of the Act, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.**

1599

### **Asset Management Review**

The Principal Economic Development Officer presented a report on a number of Council-owned properties that a Task and Finish Group had identified as potentially surplus to requirements. The report gave a description of each of the premises, the Board which had responsibility for them, their original purpose, current market value, potential developable value, the contribution or cost to the general fund budget and the implications for the budget if the asset was sold.

The Economy Board (minute 1512 – 13 February 2007), Social Board (minute 1527 – 20 February 2007) and Environment Board (minute 1538 – 22 February 2007) had already considered the report insofar as it related to properties under their control and the relevant minutes were attached to the report. These minutes, together with the report had been before Policy and Resources Committee on 6 March 2007 which then made the decision to refer the matter to Council (minute 1566 – 6 March 2007).

Thanks were offered to Councillors Wilson and D McSherry for all their hard work over the last few months.

**Resolved that:**

- (i) Minute 1512 – Economy Board 13 February 2007 be approved**
- (ii) Minute 1527 – Social Board 20 February 2007 be approved; and**
- (iii) Minute 1538 – Environment Board 22 February 2007 be approved.**

1600

**Town Centre Development Working Group**

The Chief Executive updated councillors on the meeting of the Town Centre Development Working Group held on 15 March 2007. The outline concept plans would be available shortly for the Town Centre Development Working Group to view.

**Resolved:**

**That the update be noted.**

1601

**Tesco**

Councillors were asked to consider extending the longstop date in the agreement between Tesco and Selby District Council.

**Resolved that:**

**The longstop date in the agreement between Tesco and Selby District Council be extended to 29 June 2007.**

The meeting closed at 8:05pm.

## SELBY DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings of a meeting of the Planning Committee held on 21 March 2007, in the Civic Suite, The Civic Centre, Portholme Road, Selby, commencing at 4.00pm.

1604	Minutes
1605	Chair's Address to the Planning Committee
1606	Consultation on a Planning Application at Newton Lane, Back Newton Lane and Claypit Lane at Ledston and Ledsham by Leeds City Council
1607	Site Visits
1608	Planning Applications Received

Present: Councillor J Mackman in the Chair

Councillors: J Cattanach, I Chilvers, G R Croston, Mrs D Davies, Mrs S Duckett (for Councillor W N Martin), Mrs M Hulme (for Councillor Bain-Mackay), C J Lunn, B Marshall, D McSherry, I Nutt, C Pearson, D Peart, Mrs F Ryan, S Shaw-Wright and R Wilson

Officials: Head of Service – Legal and Democratic Services, Principal Planning Officer, Planning Officers, Conservation Officer, Democratic Services Officer and Committee Administrator

Public: 12

Press: 0

### 1602 **Apologies for Absence and Notice of Substitution**

Apologies were received from Councillors W N Martin, R H Sweeting and D Bain-MacKay

Substitute Councillors were Mrs S Duckett for Councillor W N Martin and Mrs M Hulme for Councillor Bain-Mackay.

### 1603 **Disclosure of Interest**

Councillor R Wilson declared a personal and prejudicial interest in the consultation on a planning application at Newton Lane, Back Newton Lane and Claypit Lane at Ledston and Ledsham by Leeds City Council.

Councillor S Shaw-Wright declared a personal and prejudicial interest in application 2006/1553/FUL – Land to the rear of 44 Armoury Road, Selby.

Councillor Mrs M Hulme declared a personal and prejudicial interest in application 2007/0028/OUT – Woodlands, Long Drax.

1604

## **Minutes**

### **Resolved:**

**That the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 28 February 2007 be confirmed as a correct record and be signed by the Chair.**

1605

## **Chair's Address to the Planning Committee**

The Chair updated councillors on the following issues:

- At the meeting of the Planning Committee on 28 February 2007 (minute 1452), a communication from a contractor with regard to a potential request for authorisation to use an existing construction compound on the A63 was put before councillors. After looking into this further, the Council had written to the contractor stating they objected to them using the site. As a result of this, the contractor had withdrawn their request to use the compound
- The Planning Department was still working to achieve performance targets for majors.

1606

## **Consultation on a Planning Application at Newton Lane, Back Newton Lane and Claypit Lane at Ledston and Ledsham by Leeds City Council**

Having declared a personal and prejudicial interest in the application, Councillor R Wilson left the chamber during the discussion and voting on this item.

The Principal Planning Officer updated councillors on the consultation received from Leeds City Council in respect of an application for the extraction of coal and other minerals and alterations to landform at Newton Lane, Back Newton Lane and Claypit Lane at Ledston and Ledsham.

Although Selby District Council was not a statutory consultee, any comments from councillors would be fed back to Leeds City Council together with the Principal Planning Officer's report.

**Resolved:**

**That Selby District Council strongly object to the planning application for the reasons listed in the officer's report together with reasons listed below:**

- **The provision of a Transport Plan is required**
- **The hours of work are not in line with those used within the usual conditions set by Selby District Council**
- **The application would have a negative effect on Selby District as the gateway to North Yorkshire; and**
- **The effects of the work on local hydrology needs further examination.**

1607

**Site Visits**

1. **Application: 2006/1444/OUT**  
**Location: New Inn, Main Street, Great Heck**  
**Proposal: Resubmission of previously refused application No. 8/43/5L/PA for Outline Planning Permission to erect six dwellings, including details of siting and means of access, following demolition of the former public house.**

Officer Update

The Planning Officer informed councillors that this was an application for outline planning permission and it was before Committee in order to determine siting and means of access. There were a number of minor amendments required to conditions 7, 11, 17 and 20 in the officer's report and these were outlined at the meeting.

Mr Irving – Applicant

*Mr Irving stated that he had nothing to add to the officer's report but was available to answer councillors' questions.*

**Resolved:**

**That the application be approved, subject to the conditions in the officer's report, as amended at the meeting.**



- 2. Application: 2007/0046/FUL**  
**Location: Ness Bank, Baffam Lane, Brayton**  
**Proposal: Resubmission of previously refused application No. 8/20/589C/PA (2006/1271/FUL) for the erection of 9 dwellings following the demolition of existing dwelling.**

Officer Update

The Planning Officer informed councillors that there had been four additional letters of objection. These raised the following objections:

- Dwellings would be too close together
- Not in keeping with the neighbouring properties
- Insufficient parking provision
- No storage provision
- The proposed dwellings would overlook, overshadow and over-dominate existing properties
- Lack of space for landscaping
- Bat survey was required
- Massing; and
- The house should be preserved

The Planning Officer informed councillors that additional conditions were required with regards to the hours of work and the Tree and Landscaping Officer had also requested an additional condition.

Natural England had now responded and they stated that a bat survey was not required.

Mr Cook – Objector

*Mr Cook informed councillors that he objected to the application for the following reasons:*

- *Not in keeping with the neighbourhood*
- *Historic building which should be preserved*
- *The application made no provision as to who should maintain the beech hedge and play park*
- *Insufficient parking spaces*
- *Too close to existing buildings*
- *Reduction of light into existing buildings*
- *Overlooking*
- *Beech hedge would be damaged during the building works*

*Mr Cook also stated that he had concerns over the positioning of a number of the proposed dwellings and the play park. As a result he was recommending either refusal or amendments to the existing plans.*

Councillor R Wilson returned to the chamber. He took no part in the debate and did not vote on this application.

Mr Parrott – Agent

*Mr Parrott stated that he had nothing to add to the officer's report but was available to answer councillors' questions.*

Mr Donaldson – Highways Officer

The Highways Officer informed councillors that the required visibility splay was achievable and acceptable and the developer had confirmed that the road would be built to adoptable standards.

Principal Planning Officer

The Principal Planning Officer informed councillors that the officer's report recommended permission be granted and outlined the reasons for this:

- Brownfield site
- Sustainable area
- Development was within the confines of the recommendations in the Selby District Local Plan with regards to density
- Good housing mix; and
- Separation distances were acceptable.

**Resolved:**

**That permission be refused.**

**The reasons given for refusal were:**

- **Overcrowding**
- **Not in keeping with the neighbouring properties**
- **Highways issues with regards to access and egress to the site**
- **Character and form; and**
- **Overdevelopment.**

- 3. Application: 2006/1553/FUL**  
**Location: Land to the rear of 44 Armoury Lane, Selby**  
**Proposal: Erection of 5 No. garages with 2 No. apartments above**  
**(following demolition of existing buildings) on land to the rear.**

Having declared a personal and prejudicial interest, Councillor S Shaw-Wright left the chamber during the discussion and voting on this item.

Officer Update

Councillors were informed that there was an amendment required to condition 14 with regard to the allowed hours of work during construction.

Mrs Protheroe – Objector

*Mrs Protheroe informed councillors that she objected to the application on the following grounds:*

- *Massing*
- *The area was currently being used as a recreation area and this would be lost*
- *Loss of parking in an area already suffering from parking problems*
- *Increase in traffic*
- *Access for emergency vehicles would be hampered*

Mr O'Connor – Applicant

*Mr O'Connor informed councillors of the following issues:*

- *He had had discussions with planning officers and the Conservation Officer before submitting the application, both had given their support*
- *Brownfield site in a developed area*
- *Vehicle movements would decrease*
- *The application had the support of the Highways Authority*
- *The scheme would provide affordable housing; and*
- *There was no valid planning reason to refuse permission.*

Mr Barratt – Conservation Officer

The Conservation Officer informed councillors that the garages did not contribute to the conservation area and that the application before Committee was a well-thought out scheme that would enhance the area.

Mr Donaldson – Highways Officer

The Highways Officer informed councillors that the application met the guidelines set down with regards to emergency vehicle access.

**Resolved:**

**That the application be approved, subject to the conditions set out in the officer's report, as amended at the meeting.**

Councillor Shaw-Wright returned to the chamber.

1608

**Planning Applications Received**

Consideration was given to the schedule of planning applications submitted by the Head of Service – Planning and Economic Development.

**Resolved:**

**That the applications set out in the agenda be dealt with as follows:**

- 1 **Application: 2006/1425/FUL**  
**Location: 29 Church Hill, Sherburn-in-Elmet**  
**Proposal: Resubmission of previously refused 8/58/825B/PA for the erection of a 3 No. Bedroom dormer bungalow with separate parking area on land to the rear.**

Officer's Update

The Planning Officer informed councillors that further letters of objection had been received which raised the following new issues:

- There was a lack of need for this type of property
- Previously, the same developer had carried out work without specifying levels
- Height and proximity
- Scale and massing; and
- Overlooking.

The Planning Officer informed councillors that the application met all the statutory and local guidelines, it was a brownfield site, and there would be no negative impact on the character and form of the locality.

Councillor Croston informed the Committee that, although he sat on Sherburn-in-Elmet Parish Council, he always left the room before discussions on local planning applications began and, therefore, had neither a personal nor prejudicial interest in the application.

Mr Moore – Applicant

*Mr Moore informed councillors of the following issues:*

- *Access had been widened*
- *There was a passing place within 9 metres of the access point*
- *No objections had been received from the Highways Authority*
- *Parking provisions were in line with local policies*
- *There were no issues with the sewerage provisions in the application; and*
- *The application met the necessary local and national guidance and policies.*

**Resolved:**

**That the application be approved, subject to the conditions set out in the officer's report.**

- 2 **Application: 2007/0105/FUL**  
**Location: The Covers, 70 Main Street, Escrick**  
**Proposal: Detached dwelling.**

Officer's Update

The Planning Officer informed councillors that there were a number of amendments required to the report and these were outlined at the meeting.

Councillors were informed that the main reasons for refusal were connected to conservation area issues. The application was acceptable in principle but was considered to be detrimental to the form and character of the streetscene and, therefore, to the special character of the conservation area.

The application was a resubmission of a similar scheme which was currently subject to an appeal against non-determination and the decision made at the meeting would form the basis of the Council's case that would be sent to the Planning Inspectorate.

Mrs Hubbard – Agent

*Mrs Hubbard informed councillors of the following issues:*

- *The application site formed part of the domestic curtilage of the existing dwelling*
- *The report did not clearly identify the nature and character of the conservation area so it was not possible for the Committee to make a decision*
- *There would be no impact on the streetscene*
- *There were no landscaping issues*
- *Highways officer was satisfied with the application*
- *There were no issues with regards to overlooking, massing, siting, height or position*
- *It was in keeping with the neighbourhood*

Conservation Officer

The Conservation Officer stated that the design was intrusive and the application needed to be of reduced size and scale with some design amendments before officers could recommend approval.

**Resolved:**

**That the application be deferred for officers to seek suitable amendments and then to deal with under delegated powers.**

**3 Application: 2007/0028/OUT**

**Location: Woodlands**

**Proposal: Resubmission of a previously refused application for the erection of a detached bungalow.**

Officer Update

The Planning Officer informed councillors that the site did not fall within the domestic curtilage of Woodlands. Irrespective of that, the application lay outside development limits and was contrary to policies restricting development in the open countryside.

Mr Wilson – Agent

*Mr Wilson informed councillors of the following issues:*

- *The site formed part of the domestic curtilage of the existing property*
- *This was an outline application only*
- *It was previously developed land*
- *The location was sustainable*
- *No objections had been received from utilities companies*

*Mr Wilson also requested that if councillors were unsure of whether to grant permission or not, a decision be deferred until after a site visit had taken place.*

Principal Planning Officer

The Principal Planning Officer stated that a request for a site visit had been refused by planning officers as the reason for refusal was an ‘in principle’ policy reason and that a visit would be of no benefit to councillors.

**Resolved:**

**That the application be refused for the reasons outlined in the officer’s report.**

Councillor Hulme abstained from the vote.

- 4 **Application: 2007/0177/FUL**  
**Location: Sherburn Enterprise Park**  
**Proposal: Erection of B1, B2 and B8 industrial unit.**

Officer Update

Councillors were informed that the Highways Authority and Yorkshire Water had no objections to the conditions in the officer’s report.

**Resolved:**

**That the application be approved, subject to the conditions in the officer’s report.**

- 5 **Application: 2007/0153/FUL**  
**Location: Business Park, East Common Lane, Selby**  
**Proposal: Resubmission (following a withdrawn application no 8/19/1646/PA 2006/1291/FUL) for the erection of five B1, B2 and B8 industrial units and associated works.**

Officer Update

Councillors were informed that this was a major application and there were a number of outstanding issues that required resolution. Councillors were requested to delegate the decision to officers to make once these outstanding issues had been resolved.

**Resolved:**

**That the application be deferred for officers to deal with under delegated powers.**

- 6 **Application: 2007/0106/REM**  
**Location: Staynor Hall, Selby**  
**Proposal: Reserved matters application for 60 dwellings.**

Officer Update

The Planning Officer informed councillors that additional consultations had been received with no further conditions. Councillors requested officers check that issues of dust were dealt with at the outline stage.

**Resolved:**

**That the application be approved, subject to the conditions in the officer's report.**

- 7 **Application: 2006/1523/COU**  
**Location: 82 Gowthorpe, Selby**  
**Proposal: Change of use of property from office use to residential use.**

**Resolved:**

**That the application be approved, subject to the conditions in the officer's report.**

The meeting closed at 6.20pm.



## SELBY DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings of a meeting of the Environment Board held on Thursday 29 March 2007, in Committee Room 2, The Civic Centre, Portholme Road, Selby, commencing at 4:00 pm.

1611	Minutes
1612	Chair's Address to the Environment Board
1613	Food and Health and Safety Enforcement Policies
1614	Update on Petcoke Trial at Drax Power Station
1615	Environment Board 2006/2007 Performance Indicator Report: April 2006 – February 2007
1616	Private Session
1617	Update on Markets Strategy

Present: Councillor Mrs G Ivey in the Chair

Councillors: J Crawford, P Harvey, C Lunn, I Nutt, R Packham, C Pearson (for R Sayner), R Parker, D Peart (for C Metcalfe) and S Shaw-Wright.

Officials: Head of Service - Environment Services and Leisure, Principal Environmental Health Officer (Commercial), Principal Environmental Health Officer (Pollution), Temporary Democratic Services Officer

Public: 0

Press: 0

### 1609 **Apologies for Absence and Substitution**

Apologies were received from Councillors D Bain-Mackay, C Metcalfe and R Sayner.

Substitute Councillors were Councillors D Peart (for C Metcalfe) and C Pearson (for R Sayner).

### 1610 **Disclosure of Interest**

None

1611

## **Minutes**

### **Resolved:**

**That the minutes of the meeting of the Environment Board held on 22 February 2007 be confirmed as a correct record and be signed by the Chair.**

1612

## **Chair's Address to the Environment Board**

The Chair updated Councillors of the following:

- Training had been provided concerning new food hygiene legislation (specifically Safer Food Better Business) in partnership with Selby College. In January 2007 to March 2007 three seminars were held with approximately 60 attendees in total. £300 was provided (1/3 of the discounted course costs) towards the funding of this project as an incentive for businesses to attend which came from the food service budget.
- Following on from a report to Environment Board in November 2006, officers have formally approached ADAS to provide specialist expertise in commenting on environmental issues at the proposed Mytum & Selby Waste Recycling site at South Milford. A supplementary estimate of £10,000 was agreed for this work and a report of its findings should be available within the next few months.
- Re-Think Rubbish Magazine - Selby DC successfully delivered the latest edition of the Re-think Rubbish magazine to every household in the district. The magazine was a joint venture with North Yorkshire County Council and had some very useful information to help householders to reduce, re-use and recycle as much waste as possible. It also included a handy calendar of all the collection dates for the coming year.
- Garden Green Extension - Selby District Council had given a commitment to roll out the garden greens collection service to all remaining suitable properties over the next two years. From 30 April 2007, wheeled bins would be delivered to a further 6,000 properties, with the remainder being covered in 2008/9. Residents had expressed their delight at the opportunity of being included in this service, although those who won't be covered in this next phase are a little disappointed. It is, however, very positive to be able to report that all the district will be covered in just over a year's time, and it is also encouraging to see how much enthusiasm there is for this service.

1613

### **Food and Health and Safety Enforcement Policies**

Councillors received the report of the Principal Environmental Health Officer (Commercial) concerning revisions to both the Food Safety Enforcement Policy 2007/08 and the Health and Safety Enforcement Policy 2007/08.

The Food Standards Agency required each local authority to develop a Food Safety Enforcement Policy. In addition, the Health and Safety Commission required each local authority to have a Health and Safety Enforcement Policy.

#### **Recommendation:**

**That the following enforcement policies be referred to the Policy and Resources Committee for approval:**

- **Food Safety Enforcement Policy 2007/08 and**
- **Health and Safety Enforcement Policy 2007/08**

1614

### **Update on Petcoke Trial at Drax Power Station**

The Principal Environmental Health Officer (Pollution) updated Councillors on the on-going petcoke trial at Drax Power Station, the results of which had been reported to the Council by the Environment Agency on 13 March 2007.

Drax power had submitted two applications; one to continue to burn petcoke, and the second to store 120 tonnes of petcoke in the open air. The Environment Agency shared the Council's view that the applications were premature.

#### **Resolved:**

**That the update be noted.**

1615 **Environment Board 2006/2007 Performance Indicator Report:  
April 2006 – February 2007**

The Head of Service – Environmental Services and Leisure updated councillors on the progress being made in 2006/07 on the corporate and statutory best value performance indicators for which the Board was responsible.

Councillors discussed changes which could be made in order to make the statistics more meaningful and suggested that consideration be given to including comparative and monthly figures.

**Resolved:**

**That the report be noted.**

1616 **Private Session**

**That in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business, as there will be disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Section 12A of the Act, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.**

1617 **Update on Markets Strategy**

The Principal Environmental Health Officer (Commercial) updated councillors on the progress concerning the Markets Strategy.

The report informed the Board on progress in implementing the Markets Strategy, with accompanying trading accounts for the current financial year to date in respect of Selby, Tadcaster and Selby Farmers' Markets. The accounts showed that the service made a modest profit, enabling the Council to provide a valuable local service in the key market towns of Selby and Tadcaster.

**Resolved:**

**That the update on the Markets Strategy be noted.**

The meeting closed at 4-55pm.

## SELBY DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings of a meeting of the Social Board held on 3 April 2007 in Committee Room 2, The Civic Centre, Portholme Road, Selby, commencing at 5:00 pm.

1620	Minutes
1621	Performance Indicators April 2006-February 2007
1622	Service Performance Agreements (SPAs)
1623	Community Safety Partnership Update
1624	Social Board Work Programme
1625	Empty Lettings Process
1626	Asbestos Policy
1627	Anti-Social Behaviour Policy
1628	Private Session
1629	Land at Wistow

Present: Councillor Mrs E Casling in the Chair

Councillors: M Crane, P Harvey, W Inness, Mrs W Nichols, I Nutt, R Parker, C Pearson and S Shaw-Wright.

Officials: Head of Service-Housing, Head of Service-Finance and Central Services, Head of Service-Policy and Performance, Safer and Stronger Communities Coordinator, Interim Property Services Manager, Assistant Policy and Partnership Officer, Leisure Services Manager, Principal Environment Health Officer (Commercial) and Democratic Services Officer

Observer: Councillor D Davies

Public: 0

Press: 0

### 1618 **Apologies for Absence and Substitution**

Apologies were received from Councillor C Lunn.

### 1619 **Disclosure of Interest**

None received.

1620

## **Minutes**

### **Resolved:**

**That the minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Social Board held on 20 February 2007 be confirmed as a correct record and be signed by the Chair.**

1621

## **Performance Indicators April 2006-February 2007**

Councillors received the report of the Head of Service – Policy and Performance updating them on the progress that was being made in 2006/2007 on the corporate and statutory Best Value Performance Indicators (BVPs) for which the Board was responsible.

### **Resolved:**

**That the report be noted.**

1622

## **Service Performance Agreements (SPAs)**

Councillors received the report of the Head of Service – Policy and Performance with regard to the SPAs for 2007/08 for the services that were within the remit of the Social Board.

SPAs enabled councillors to exercise control over services at strategic level by outlining the nature of the service, staff involved, budgets, improvements and performance indicators. The SPAs represented the agreed level of service provision within the allocated resources.

### **Resolved:**

**That the Service Performance Agreements as set out in the report be approved.**

1623

### **Community Safety Partnership Update**

Councillors received the report of the Safer and Stronger Communities Co-ordinator in respect of the Community Safety Draft Action Plan 2007-08. The plan covered a range of actions aimed at tackling the four strategic strategies identified as priorities, volume crime, violent crime, anti-social behaviour and safer communities.

#### **Resolved:**

**That the Community Safety Partnership Draft Action Plan be approved and adopted.**

1624

### **Social Board Work Programme**

The Strategic Director submitted a report setting out the progress made against the 2006/07 work programme. The report also set out a suggested programme for 2007/08.

A discussion took place on the provision of an update on the Leisure 4 Youth project.

#### **Resolved that:**

- (i) The Work Programme for 2007/08 be approved; and**
- (ii) A report on the Leisure 4 Youth project be submitted to the next meeting of this Board.**

1625

### **Empty Properties Lettings Process**

Councillors considered a report by the Head of Service – Housing seeking approval for the review of the existing lettable standard and making suggestions for a new standard and the introduction of innovations to improve the lettings process.

The management of empty properties was a key performance area for housing services and it was imperative that the process was efficient and customer focused. The existing policy had been examined by a project group who had drawn up recommendations which were intended to meet the following objectives:-

- Properties were let in a consistent manner
- Properties were let quickly
- Staff were fully aware of the process
- Customers were fully aware of the process and the standard
- A reduction in the number of refusals on empty properties

**Resolved that:-**

- (i) **the revised lettable standard as set out in Appendix 1 to the report be approved**
- (ii) **the proposal to establish a budget to deal with difficult to let properties set out in paragraph 4.13 of the report be approved; and**
- (iii) **the introduction of a welcome pack for new tenants and the establishment of a budget to fund the scheme be approved.**

**Recommended**

**That the Policy and Resources Committee be requested to approve the lettable standards set out in appendix 1 to the report and the establishment of budgets to finance difficult to let properties and the introduction of a welcome pack.**

1626

**Asbestos Policy**

The Head of Service – Housing submitted a report setting out proposed changes to the Council's existing Asbestos Policy. The revised policy met the requirements of the Control of Asbestos Regulations 2006 and would safeguard the Council against any future risks that might arise.

The revised policy was attached as an appendix to the report.

**Resolved:**

**That the revised Asbestos Policy as set out in the appendix to the report be approved.**

**Recommended:**

**That the Policy and Resources Committee be requested to approve the revised Asbestos Policy.**



1627

### **Anti-Social Behaviour Policy**

Councillors considered a report by the Head of Service – Housing on proposed revisions to the Council's existing Housing Services Anti-Social Behaviour Policy. The policy had been introduced in 2003 and needed to be revised to take into account new powers for social landlords included in the Housing Act 2004 and Government initiatives to tackle anti-social behaviour.

#### **Resolved:**

**That the revised Anti-Social Behaviour Policy as set out in the report be approved.**

#### **Recommended:**

**That the Policy and Resources Committee be requested to approve the revised Anti-Social Behaviour Policy.**

1628

### **Private Session**

**That in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 in view of the nature of the business to be transacted the meeting be not open to the Press and public during discussion of the following items as there will be a disclosure of exempt information as defined in Section 100(1) of the Act as described in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.**

1629

### **Land at Wistow**

Councillors considered a report by the Head of Service – Legal and Democratic Services on a request from Wistow Parish Council to prevent cars parking on land at Prospect Place Wistow.

It was recommended that consultations be held with the Parish Council and local residents about the situation and a further report be submitted to a future meeting.

#### **Resolved:**

**That officers be advised that in cases of this nature and in order to reduce delays, appropriate consultations be held before a report is presented to this Board.**

The meeting closed at 5.55pm.

Social Board  
3 April 2007

## Selby District Council

Minutes of the proceedings of a meeting of the Economy Board held on  
10 April 2007, in Committee Room 2, The Civic Centre, Portholme Road, Selby at  
3:00 pm

1632	Minutes
1633	Chair's Address to the Economy Board
1634	Service Performance Agreements
1635	Performance Indicators
1636	Sub-Regional Investment Programme
1637	Community Investment Programme
1638	Private Session
1639	Renaissance Update

Present: Councillor B Percival in the Chair

Councillors: D Bain-Mackay, Mrs W May, W N Martin, R Packham and C Pearson.

Officials: Head of Service-Finance and Central Services, Principal Economic Development Officer, Renaissance Manager, Community Link Officer and Democratic Services Support Officer.

Public: 0

Press: 0

### 1630 **Apologies for Absence and Substitution**

Apologies were received from Councillors R Sayner, R Sweeting and R Wilson.

### 1631 **Disclosure of Interest**

None received.

### 1632 **Minutes**

#### **Resolved:**

**That the minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Economy Board held on 13 February 2007 be confirmed as a correct record and be signed by the Chair.**

1633

### **Chair's Address to the Economy Board**

The Chairman gave his address to councillors which covered the following issues:

- The contribution made by Councillor Mrs W May to the work of the Council during her period of office.
- York England and their decision to revoke the Council's membership on their Board
- Discussions at the York and North Yorkshire Development Board
- The Selby Ambassadors' dinner
- Development in Tadcaster
- Co-operation between the private and public sectors

1634

### **Service Performance Agreements (SPAs)**

The Head of Service-Policy and Performance submitted a report concerning the SPAs for 2007/08 for the services that fell within the remit of the Economy Board.

SPAs enabled councillors to exercise control over services at strategic level by outlining the nature of the service, staff involved, budgets, improvements and performance indicators.

An appendix to the report set out details of SPAs for the following services:-

Building Control

Economic Development

Finance and Central Services

Revenues

Benefits

Local taxation

**Resolved:**

**That the Service Performance Agreements as set out in the report be approved.**

1635

### **Economy Board 2006/07 Performance Indicators April 2006-February 2007**

Councillors received the report of the Head of Service-Policy and Performance updating them on the progress that was being made in 2006/07 on the corporate and statutory Best Value Performance Indicators (BVPIs) for which the Board was responsible.

**Resolved:**

**That the report be noted.**

1636

### **Sub-Regional Investment Programme (SRIP)**

The Principal Economic Development Officer submitted a progress report on the production of the Sub-regional Investment Programme. Changes had been made since the draft plan was circulated and 49 potential interventions had been identified in the transformational and spatial themes.

The Principal Economic Development Officer drew councillors' attention to the fact that the SRIP would review the prioritisation of future funds towards Selby urban area.

Councillors commented on plan, particular reference being made to the benefits to the local community as a result of continuing investment at Drax power station.

Further reports would be submitted to the Board.

**Resolved:**

**That the report be noted.**

1637

### **Community Investment Programme (CIP)**

Councillors considered a report by the Community Link Officer updating them on the progress of the Community Investment Partnership groups across the District and the provision of funding advice to community and voluntary groups.

**Resolved:**

**That the report be noted.**

1638

**Private Session**

**That in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, the meeting be not open to the Press and public during consideration of the following item as there will be a disclosure of exempt information as defined in Section 100(1) of the Act as described in paragraphs 1 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.**

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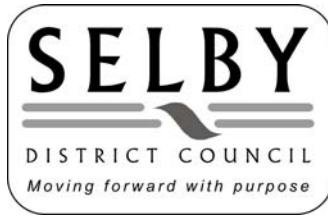
**Renaissance Update**

The Renaissance Manager submitted a report on the progress of the Selby Urban Renaissance Programme. The report set out information on the programme's priority projects. Designers for the Eversley Park project in Sherburn and the Selby Waterfront Linear park had been appointed.

**Resolved:**

**That the report be noted.**

The meeting closed at 4:15 pm.



**Public Session**

**Agenda Item No: 8**

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**Title:** Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) Update

**To:** Council

**Date:** 24 April 2007

**Service Area:** Policy and Performance

**Author:** Heather Watts, Head of Service – Policy and Performance

**Presented by:** Martin Connor, Chief Executive

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**1 Purpose of Report**

1.1 To update councillors on the work of the LSP.

**2 Recommendation(s)**

2.1 **That councillors note the report.**

**3 Executive Summary**

3.1 Councillors have asked for a regular report of the work of the LSP. This report sets out the main issues arising and progress made since the last report.

## **4 The Report**

- 4.1 As councillors will be aware, the LSP Steering Group meets on a quarterly basis and conducts the bulk of its work through four sub-groups:

Social  
Economy  
Environmental  
Community Safety

Reports from the Subgroups are included at Appendix A.

- 4.2 At meetings of the LSP Steering Group in December 2006 and March 2007, the partners discussed the following:

Community Strategy Action Plans  
Local Area Agreement (LAA)  
Review of the Partnership Agreement  
Community Fund  
North Yorkshire Improvement Partnership

## **5 Financial Implications**

- 5.1 There are no financial implications.

## **6 Conclusions**

- 6.1 Councillors are asked to note the report.

## **7 Link to Corporate Plan**

- 7.1 The partnership work of the LSP has a positive impact on the delivery of the Corporate Plan.

## **8 How Does This Report Link to the Council's Priorities?**

- 8.1 The delivery of the Council's priorities is enhanced by the partnership working of the LSP.

## 9 Impact on Corporate Policies

Corporate policy is to support the LSP in pursuing a partnership approach to securing an improved quality of life for those who live and work in the district.

<b>9.1</b>	<b>Service Improvement</b>	<b>Impact</b>
	A partnership approach seeks to secure service improvement.	
<b>9.2</b>	<b>Equalities</b>	<b>Impact</b>
	Joint working assists in reaching more diverse sections of our population.	
<b>9.3</b>	<b>Community Safety and Crime</b>	<b>Impact</b>
	The actions of the LSP and the Community Safety Partnership, as one of its four Subgroups have a positive impact on community safety and crime.	
<b>9.4</b>	<b>Procurement</b>	<b>Impact</b>
	Joint procurement opportunities can be realised through a partnership approach.	
<b>9.5</b>	<b>Risk Management</b>	<b>Impact</b>
	Failure to support the work of the LSP would have a negative impact on the outcome of corporate and service area inspections.	
<b>9.6</b>	<b>Sustainability</b>	<b>Impact</b>
	The LSP works towards longer-term solutions and joint service provision for communities.	
<b>9.7</b>	<b>Value for Money</b>	<b>Impact</b>
	Joint working assists in the delivery of best value and efficiency savings.	

## 10 Background Papers

- 10.1 Appendix A
- 10.2 Minutes of the LSP and Subgroups.





Subgroup Updates at April 2007 meeting of Council

### **Economy Subgroup**

On 15 February 2007 the Subgroup considered the draft Community Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) and agreed the document subject to minor amendments.

It was agreed that the evidence available showed that there was a strong case for the Subgroup to focus its activities on Selby Town and the Renaissance programme.

The group considered the post 2007 European funding and recognised that there would be less funds available and the prioritisation would be thematic not spatial. The group felt the District could benefit from the new process, as two themes were Innovation and Enterprise.

Under the SRIP it was agreed the outcomes we should be considering were:

- Reduce worklessness
- Increase innovation
- Increase enterprise
- Waterfront renaissance – sense of place.

### **Environmental Partnership Subgroup**

The link between the white paper - Strong and Prosperous Communities, and the Local Area Agreement (LAA) was discussed by the Subgroup.

It was discussed that the LAA would be a strong driver locally on delivery for partners.

Members of the Subgroup attended the LAA Workshop held 18 January 2007, which looked at the outcomes for the LAA and what was currently happening within the Selby District.

Partners not attending the workshop were provided with a copy of the outcomes framework document containing the notes from the workshop and were asked to add any comments.

Local performance data for Selby District LAA outcomes will come through the District Council Improvement Officer.

A climate change workshop for all partners is being organised by the Subgroup in May 2007, this will inform future actions of the group.

Other key priorities for 2007/8 are being developed and the membership of the group is being reviewed.



## Subgroup Updates at April 2007 meeting of Council

### **Social Subgroup**

The Subgroup held an event on 18 January 2007 to look at local implications and delivery of the LAA, to which all the Subgroups were invited. The event was proactive and was seen as good practice by other districts, some of whom are now planning their own events. The next steps from this event are to send our local information to each of the 'target leads' for the LAA to contribute to their delivery plans. The information will also be used for the Subgroups' action planning for 2007/8 and beyond.

What was clear from the event was that there is a wealth of activity that supports the outcomes to improve life in the district. However, there is not always a programme of local activity that will contribute to delivering the actual targets. In some cases this will be covered by county-wide work, and in other cases the Subgroups will need to consider the gaps in their action planning.

The Subgroup has also looked at the need to develop a Play Strategy to access Big Lottery funding and is supporting the consultants employed by the District Council to develop this work.

Selby Together (a task group of the Subgroup) has met to consider how successful the Welcome Packs in Polish and English have been and how to take the work forward. The District Council has agreed to work with the group to get the contents of packs on the website to make them more widely accessible and to ensure that information can be easily updated.

### **Community Safety Partnership**

The co-location of police and Council community safety teams has begun with the Youth Offending Team (YOT) also planning to co-locate. All should be in Community House, Portholme Road, Selby by the end of April 2007.

#### **Community Safety Partnership Action planning**

The Community Safety Partnership Draft Action Plan 2007-08 was compiled through a multi-agency action-planning day held on the 21 February 2007. Over 50 individuals representing over 30 different organisations and service areas of the Council attended the day. The Draft Action Plan has been developed using information and experience of attendees sharing best practice, and using the most recent community safety data and public consultation information to target activities around each priority ensuring that crosscutting issues were identified in each of the priority groups and the relevant links established to the LAA.



Subgroup Updates at April 2007 meeting of Council

### **Community Safety Partnership - continued**

The Draft Action Plan is compiled in sections that reflect the four strategic priorities and the cross cutting issue of drugs and alcohol. It is more concise than previous by incorporating the Accident Prevention and Fear of Crime priorities under the new heading of Safer Communities. Also the underlying themes have been merged within the four identified priorities. Doing this enables the partners to focus resources into activities that will have a positive outcome on the priorities.

The strategic priorities for the Community Safety Partnership to tackle in 2007/8 are:

- Volume Crime
- Violent Crime
- Anti-social Behaviour
- Safer Communities

The significant crosscutting issue is:

- Drugs and alcohol misuse issues.

The Draft Action Plan is outcome focused, contains detailed measures by which project success will be monitored, with clearly identified leads. Developing the document in this way reinforces the multi-agency commitment toward tackling the priorities and achieving the Community Safety Strategy whilst ensuring the links to the LAA targets are embedded in the Plan.

The Action Plan will be delivered over the next 12 months, by the partners using various methods of collaborative working. The Action Plan its self will be a living document, updated to respond to emerging issues with actions been added and removed as necessary.