## SELBY DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings of a meeting of the Council held on 28 July 2009, in the Civic Suite, the Civic Centre, Portholme Road, Selby, commencing at 6:00 pm.

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- Present: Councillor I Chilvers (Chairman) in the Chair
- Councillors: Mrs E Casling, M Crane, Mrs D Davies, M Davis, Mrs S Duckett, Mrs J Dyson, K Ellis, D Fagan, Mrs C Goodall, Mrs M Hulme, Mrs G Ivey, M Jordan, C Lunn, D N Mackay, Mrs P Mackay, Mrs C Mackman, J Mackman, B Marshall, W N Martin, J McCartney, Mrs M McCartney, Mrs K McSherry, C Metcalfe, Mrs E Metcalfe, Mrs W Nichols, R Packham, C Pearson, B Percival, A Pound, Mrs S Ryder, Mrs A Spetch, A Thurlow and Mrs D White.
- Officials: Chief Executive, Deputy Chief Executive, Strategic Director, Interim Head of Service – Legal and Democratic Services, Head of Service – Finance and Central Services, Head of Service – Human Resources, Head of Service – Policy and Performance, Head of Service – Development Services, Head of Service – Environmental Health and Leisure Services, Media and Communications Officer and Democratic Services Manager

Public:	2
Press:	0
	Father Darren Moore offered opening prayers.

#### 172 Father Moore

The Chairman reported that this was the last Council meeting Father

Moore would be attending as he was leaving the area to take up a post in Nottingham. He thanked Father Moore for his help and assistance during his period as Chairman's Chaplain.

#### 173 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J Cattanach, J Deans, W Inness, I Nutt, R Sayner, S Shaw - Wright and R Sweeting

## 174 Disclosure of Interest

Councillors Mrs D Davies, Mrs M Davis, W Nichols and J Thurlow declared a personal interest in minute 180 in so far as it related to Selby market as they were members of Selby Town Council.

The Monitoring Officer advised councillors that, as the Town Council was a body exercising functions of a public nature, it was not necessary to declare a personal interest unless they wished to speak during the debate

### 175 Minutes

#### **Resolved:**

That the minutes of the proceedings of a meeting of Council held on 2 June 2009 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

# 176 Leeds City Region Housing Board

Arising out of consideration of the above matter (minute 175) it was:-

#### **Resolved:**

That Councillor J Mackman be appointed as the Council's representative on the Leeds City Region Housing Board.

## 177 **Communications**

## Concessionary Fares Scheme

The Chief Executive reported that he had received a request from the Head of Service – Finance and Central Services to extend the existing scheme to include the provision of companion passes for people eligible for the higher rate of Disabled Living allowance and/or the higher rate of attendance

allowance.

The cost of extending the scheme would be met from existing resources.

#### **Resolved:**

#### That the request be granted.

### 178 **Public Questions**

None

#### 179 Councillors' Questions

None

(Councillors Mrs D Davies, Mrs M Davis, W Nichols and J Thurlow declared a personal interest in the following item, minute 180 in so far as it related to Selby market as they were members of Selby Town Council.

The Monitoring Officer advised councillors that, as the Town Council was a body exercising functions of a public nature, it was not necessary to declare a personal interest unless they wished to speak during the debate)

#### 180 **Committee and Board Minutes**

Planning Committee 27 May 2009

**Resolved:** 

That the minutes be noted.

Planning Committee 24 June 2009

Councillor Mackman reported that typographical errors in minutes 106 and 110 had been corrected at the Planning Committee on 22 July. He also reported that the decision set out in minute 109 (Highfield Nursing Home) was subject to referral to the Secretary of State.

#### **Resolved:**

That the minutes be noted.

## Licensing Committee 8 June 2009

**Resolved:** 

### That the minutes be noted.

### Economy Board 9 June 2009

Councillor J Thurlow reported that he had submitted his apologies for the meeting

### **Resolved:**

That the minutes be noted.

Environment Board 11 June 2009

**Resolved:** 

(i)That the minutes be noted

(ii) the recommendations set out in minute 73 (review of Markets Service) be approved and

(iii) a copy of the Streetscene Communications Strategy mentioned in minute 74 be circulated to all councillors

Social Board – 16 June 2009

**Resolved:** 

That the minutes be noted

Audit Panel – 23 June 2009

**Resolved :** 

That the minutes be noted

### Overview and Scrutiny Committee - 25 June 2009

Councillor Marshall reported that his name should be deleted from the list of those named as being in attendance at the meeting.

With regard to minute 121, relating to the provision of swimming for the disabled, the Chair of the Social Board informed councillors that the Board would consider the issue at its next meeting.

#### **Resolved:**

#### That the minutes be noted.

#### Overview and Scrutiny Committee - 16 July 2009

#### **Resolved:**

#### That the minutes be noted.

#### Policy and Resources Committee 30 June 2009

The Chief Executive reported that parts (iii) and (iv) of the resolution set out in minute 130 should have been minuted as a recommendation to Council.

In response to a question regarding minute 137 (Village Design Statements) the Chair of the Committee undertook to ensure that an appropriate reference to the criteria used in determining the boundaries of a villages was incorporated into the statements.

#### **Resolved That:**

(i) the minutes be noted; and

#### (ii) the recommendations set out in minutes 130(Budget Management and General Fund Budget Outturn) and 131(General Fund Capital Programme) be approved and adopted.

#### Policy and Resources Committee- 14 July 2009

The Chair of the Committee undertook to ask the Committee to consider the amendments to minute 143 (Wind Farms) suggested by Councillor J Mackman.

#### **Resolved: That**

- (i) the minutes be noted and
- (ii) the recommendation set out in minute 146 (North Yorkshire Procurement Partnership) be amended to read as follows:-.
  - (i) The Council joins the North Yorkshire Procurement Partnership with effect from 1 August 2009 as a joint committee set up in accordance with the Local Governments Acts 1972 and 2000 and
  - (ii) Councillor I Chilvers be appointed to represent Selby District Council on the Partnership Management Board, and
  - (iii) As the partnership agreement has not been finalised, the Chief Executive, acting in consultation with the Leader of the Council, be given delegated authority to approve the final document.

#### Selby Community Project Board- 14 May 2009

In reply to a question Councillor Crane undertook to send all councillors details regarding the capital and revenue costs of the project, the phasing of the development and the date when staff from the Civic Centre would move to the new offices.

#### **Resolved:**

#### That the minutes be noted.

## 181 Community Engagement Forum – Tadcaster and Villages Pilot

The Chief Executive submitted a report on the pilot scheme in the Tadcaster and villages Community Investment programme area. The exercise had been successful and despite initial concerns the concept had gained the support of the community and the Council's partners. Councillor C Metcalfe had been appointed Chair of the Forum and he outlined the work which the Forum had done and the lessons which had been learnt.

It was suggested that the format be rolled out across the rest of the Council's area on a phased basis with the next pilot covering an area different in character to the Tadcaster pilot.

Councillors questioned the Chief Executive and Councillor Metcalfe on the operation of the pilot scheme and the role of Selby District councillors who were members of it.

**Resolved: That** 

- (i) The Council adopts the Tadcaster and Villages Pilot Community Engagement Forum as the blueprint for its community engagement process for the remainder of Selby Area,
- (ii) A second pilot scheme be established in October 2009 covering villages to the South of Selby (including Camblesforth, Carlton, Eggborough and Hambleton)
- (iii) a further report be submitted to this Council on the result of the pilot, and
- (iv) the Chief Executive be given delegated authority to make temporary amendments to the Council's constitution to facilitate the operation of the pilot schemes.

## 182 Appointment of an Independent Member of the Standards Committee

The Monitoring Officer reported that an independent selection panel had recommended that Mrs Wanda Stables be appointed as the third Independent member of the Standards Committee. The panel had also recommended that Mr Tim Clay be appointed as the reserve Independent member.

## **Resolved: That**

- (i) That Mrs Wanda Stables be appointed as an Independent member of the Standards Committee for the four year period ending on 31 July 2013 and
- (ii) Mr Tim Clay be appointed as the reserve Independent member of the Standards Committee for the four year period ending on 31 July 2013.

# 183 Urgent Action

The Chief Executive reported that he had authorised the temporary appointment of Councillors Mrs G Ivey and Mrs S Ryder to the Cridling Stubbs Parish Council. This action was necessary in order to enable the parish council to function following the resignation of a number of parish councillors.

#### **Resolved :**

#### That the action taken by the Chief Executive be approved

## 184 Sealing of Documents

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 was 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.

The meeting closed at 8.13pm.