

Council

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Present: Councillor Mrs S Duckett in the Chair

Councillors K Arthur, D Buckle, I Chilvers, J Chilvers, M Crane, J Deans, K Ellis, M Hobson, D Hutchinson, M Jordan, C Lunn, D Mackay, J Mackman, B Marshall, Mrs M McCartney, C Metcalfe, R Musgrave, Mrs W Nichols, C Pearson, D Peart, I Reynolds, B Sage, Mrs J Shaw-Wright, R Sweeting, J Thurlow, P Welch and Mrs D White.

Officers Present: Janet Waggott, Interim Chief Executive, Julie Slatter, Director of Corporate Services and Commissioning, Dave Caulfield, Director of Economic Regeneration and Place, Karen Iveson, Chief Finance Officer, Gillian Marshall Solicitor to the Council and Palbinder Mann, Democratic Services Manager.

Press: 1
Public: 3

77. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ms E Casling, J Cattanach, and B Packham.

78. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

79. MINUTES

The Council considered the minutes of the Council meeting held on 21 February 2017.

RESOLVED:

To approve the minutes of the Council meeting held on 21 February 2017 for signing by the Chairman.

80. COMMUNICATION

There were no communications.

81. ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements were made.

82. PETITIONS

No petitions were received.

83. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

No questions from members of the public were received.

84. COUNCILLORS QUESTIONS

No questions from Councillors were received.

85. REPORTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE

Councillor M Crane - The Leader of the Council

The Leader of the Council reported on the work he had recently undertaken as outlined in his report.

Councillor J Mackman, Deputy Leader of the Council and Executive Lead Member for Place Shaping

Councillor J Mackman, Deputy Leader of the Council and Lead Executive Member for Place Shaping, provide an update on the work he had recently undertaken as outlined in his report.

In response to a question concerning when the stakeholder meetings regarding the planning service review would be undertaken, the Lead Executive Member for Place Shaping stated that these would take place in the next few months.

Councillor C Lunn, Lead Executive Member for Finance and Resources

Councillor C Lunn, Lead Executive Member for Finance and Resources presented his update on the work he had recently undertaken as outlined in his report.

The Lead Executive Member for Finance and Resources informed Council that officers were currently assessing the implications of the announcement by the Government on business rates.

Concern was raised that the council tax banding for some residents in the district had still not been confirmed and the affected residents had received letters from the Council concerning this. The Lead Executive Member for Finance and Resources explained that the decision around banding was up to the District Valuer and the decision was then implemented by the Council.

Councillor C Metcalfe, Executive Lead Member for Communities and Economic Development

Councillor C Metcalfe, Lead Executive Member for Communities and Economic Development provided an update on the work he had recently undertaken as outlined in his report.

Councillor R Musgrave, Executive Lead Member for Housing, Leisure, Health and Culture

Councillor R Musgrave, Lead Executive Member for Housing, Leisure, Health and Culture, provide an update on the work he had recently undertaken as outlined in his report.

In addition to the update, the Lead Executive Member for Housing, Leisure, Health and Culture informed Council that a decision had been taken to close the Selby Skate Park due to problems caused by anti-social behaviour. It was explained that following multi agency discussions, the Skate Park would reopen on Thursday 27 April 2017.

Concern was raised that the residents residing at the bungalows at Westfield Road in Eggborough had been promised by the Council that a fence would be erected to the rear of the properties however then had subsequently been informed by Contractors that this would not happen. It was agreed to look into this issue and respond outside of the meeting.

RESOLVED:

To receive and note the reports from the Executive.

86. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Councillor W Nichols, Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Councillor W Nichols, Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee provided an update on the work of the Committee as outlined in her report.

Councillor J Deans, Chair of the Policy Review Committee

Councillor J Deans, Chair of the Policy Review Committee provided an update on the work of the Committee as outlined in his report.

Councillor M Jordan, Chair of the Audit and Governance Committee

Councillor M Jordan, Chair of the Audit and Governance provided an update on the work of the Committee as outlined in his report.

RESOLVED:

To receive and note the reports from Committees.

87. MOTIONS

There were no motions.

88. GAMBLING POLICY

The Lead Executive Member for Housing, Leisure, Health and Culture presented the Gambling Policy for adoption. It was explained that the policy reflected the consultation responses received by the Police, the Policy Review Committee and the Licensing Committee.

RESOLVED:

To approve the Gambling Policy (Statement of Principles) for adoption and authorise the Solicitor to the Council to take the necessary steps to bring the policy into effect.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

To ensure compliance with the Gambling Act 2005.

89. FIXED ODDS BETTING TERMINALS

The Leader of the Council presented the report which outlined representations by the Fixed Odds Betting Terminal All Party Parliamentary Group to Government. It was noted that the Parliamentary Group included representation from all political parties.

Members were in support of the representations and it was explained that one betting company had offered to explain their processes in ensuring customers gambled responsibly on fixed betting terminals.

RESOLVED:

To support the Fixed Odds Betting Terminal All Party Parliamentary Group's representations to Government.

REASONS FOR DECISION

To help make Selby a great place to enjoy life.

76. URGENT ACTION

No urgent action had been taken since the last meeting.

The meeting closed at 6.30pm.