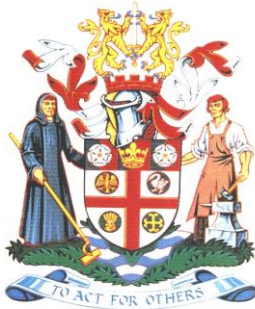


Selby District Council



Minutes

Executive

Venue:	Committee Room, Civic Centre, Selby
Date:	31 May 2012
Present:	Councillor M Crane (Chair), Mrs G Ivey, C Lunn, J Mackman and C Metcalfe
Apologies for Absence:	None
Officers present:	Chief Executive, Deputy Chief Executive, Executive Director (S151), Executive Director Communities Selby, Director of Community Services, Business Manager (ES), Development Manager Communities Selby and Democratic Services Manager.
Public:	1
Press:	0

NOTE: Please note, only minute numbers 5, 6, 8, 9, 10 are subject to call in. The deadline for Call In is 5pm on 12 June 2012. Decisions not called in may be implemented from 13 June 2012.

1. Disclosure of Interest

There were no disclosures of interest.

2. Minutes

The Executive agreed to amend the list of representatives on outside bodies to nominate Councillor B Marshall in place of Councillor Mrs S Duckett to the Ouse and Derwent Internal Drainage Board.

Councillor J Mackman was also approved as the Council's representative on the North Yorkshire Spatial Planning and Transport Board.

Subject to the above amendments, the minutes of the meeting on 3 May 2012 were submitted and agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

3. Start Time of Meetings

Resolved:

To approve 4 pm as the start time for meetings of the Executive for the 2012/13 municipal year.

4. Olympia Park

Councillor Mark Crane presented the report which set out an appropriate policy framework to facilitate consideration of a planning application for the Olympia Park strategic development site.

Councillor Crane highlighted the benefits that the development of Olympia Park would bring to Selby District. The Executive discussed the links between the Olympia Park development and the developing Core Strategy.

The Director of Community Services stated that the developers of Olympia Park had recently submitted a planning application for the site.

Resolved:

- i. To support the principles of the Olympia Park Delivery Framework, Masterplan and draft Supplementary Planning Document;**
- ii. To submit the Olympia Park documents to Policy Review for consideration;**
- iii. To support the timetable set out at paragraph 2.8 of the report;**
- iv. To support the proposed delegation arrangements set out at 2.10 and 2.11 of the report.**

Reason for the decision:

To provide a policy framework for consideration of a planning application for the Olympia Park strategic site.

5. Abbey Leisure Centre Fire: Reprovision of Fitness Centre Facilities – Car Parking issues

Councillor Mrs G Ivey presented the report which, in connection with the provision of a replacement Fitness Centre at Portholme Crescent, sought authorisation to make the necessary arrangements to redesignate the

Portholme Crescent car park from long stay to short stay and establish a new long stay car park at Portholme Road.

Councillor Mrs G Ivey updated the Executive regarding the Council's provision of alternate Fitness Centre facilities at the former Walkers Bingo Hall. She highlighted that over 2000 members of the Abbey Leisure Centre had maintained their membership following the fire. The new facility, Profiles Fitness Centre, would open shortly.

The Executive supported the proposal to provide up to two hours free parking for users of the Profiles Fitness Centre at the Portholme Crescent Car Park once the car park was redesignated.

Resolved:

- i. To change the Portholme Crescent Car Park from a Long Stay to a Short Stay Car Park;**
- ii. To change that part of the Portholme Road site which was retained by the Council to use as a Pay and Display Long stay Car Park;**
- iii. To authorise officers to obtain the necessary permissions to enable the changes to be implemented;**
- iv. To refund leisure users at the Profiles Fitness centre the cost of parking at Portholme Crescent and to cap the refund to no more than two hours once the car park is redesignated as a short stay car park;**
- v. Until implementation of the required changes and improvements works have been completed, Portholme Road to be made available free of charge for Long Stay Car Parking;**
- vi. To agree a Monday to Saturday charging period for the new Long Stay Car Park at Portholme Road.**

Reason for the decision:

- i. Following the fire at Abbey leisure Centre and as a consequence of the provision of a new Fitness Centre at the former Walkers Bingo Hall it is necessary to consider changes to the existing short and long stay car parking in that part of Selby.
- ii. The recommendations will result in the relocation of long stay car parking at Portholme Road and the provision of additional short-stay car parking in the Town centre at Portholme Crescent.

6. Treasury Management Outturn Report – Key Decision

Councillor C Lunn presented the report which provided performance information on the Council's treasury management activities for the year to 31 March 2012.

Councillor Lunn outlined the Council's cautious approach to investment given the current economic conditions.

Resolved:

To endorse the actions of officers on the Council's treasury activities for 2011/12 and approve the report.

Reason for the decision:

To comply with the Treasury Management Code of Practice, the Executive is required to receive and review regular Treasury Management monitoring reports including the annual review.

7. The Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Business Plan

Councillor Lunn presented the report which detailed the draft HRA Business Plan prior to consultation with tenants and Policy Review Committee.

Councillor Lunn stated that the Plan had been developed against a background of major change in the form of the Localism Act and move to self-financing. The Plan was a key element in providing tenant focussed services and effective management and maintenance of the Council's housing stock.

The Executive discussed the Decent Homes Standard and the work that had been undertaken on the Council's housing stock.

Resolved:

To approve the HRA Business Plan for consultation

Reason for the decision:

- i. To set out a viable business plan for appropriate consultation.
- ii. To comply with the requirements set out in the Localism Act.

8. Countryside Management and Green Spaces Strategy – Key Decision

Councillor C Metcalfe presented the report which set out the Council's Countryside and Green Spaces Strategy.

Councillor C Metcalfe provided the Executive with the background to the Strategy, he set out its aims and outlined the innovative new approach to working with partners to deliver effective management of the district's biodiversity and green infrastructure. He commended officers for their work in developing the Strategy and it was noted that the strategy would make a significant contribution the Council's 'Living Well' agenda.

Resolved:

To approve the Countryside and Green Space Strategy for public consultation.

Reason for the decision:

To ensure Executive approval of the strategy prior to public consultation.

9. Countryside Management, Practical Arrangements

Councillor C Metcalfe presented the report which gave details of the practical arrangements to ensure the countryside and green spaces owned by the Council are managed effectively and to ensure the aims of the Countryside and Green Space Strategy are achieved.

The Executive discussed the current and future provision of services at each of the Council's sites and were assured of the knowledge and skills levels held by the respective partners. It was felt that the Council needed more time to consider the future of the Bondgate former Landfill site.

Councillor C Metcalfe outlined the break points in the lease agreements.

Resolved:

- i. To lease Barlow Common to Yorkshire Wildlife Trust for ninety nine years subject to agreed terms;**
- ii. To lease Hambleton Hough to The Wildlife Habitat Protection Trust for ninety nine years subject to agreed terms;**
- iii. To thank Selby Town Council for their interest in the Bondgate Landfill Site, but to retain the site pending further consideration;**
- iv. To continue the current arrangements with Yorkshire Water regarding the management of Brayton Barff.**

Reason for the decision:

To ensure appropriate, sustainable management and enhancement of Council owned countryside and green space.

10. Overview and Scrutiny Work Programmes

Councillor M Crane presented the Overview and Scrutiny Work Programmes which requested input by the Executive prior to approval by Council.

The Executive considered the Scrutiny Work Programme, and were concerned that the reference to budget cuts affecting the North Yorkshire Fire Service in the item scheduled to be considered on 22 January 2013

was unreasonably prejudging the outcome of the services' budget discussions for next year and might cause unnecessary alarm.

The Executive then discussed the Policy Review Work Programme. The Executive was concerned at the demands on resources to support an early consideration of a Renewable Energy Strategy in light of the delayed Examination in Public of the Council's Core Strategy. They were reassured that the Policy Review Committee intended to consider the scope and timetabling of the renewable energy issue at their June meeting and recognised the competing demands particularly on the Council's Policy Team. The Executive also asked that the Policy Review Committee undertake a similar scoping and timetabling review of their proposals to examine Enforcement Policy.

The Executive approved the Audit Committee Work Programme.

Resolved:

To provide the above feedback to the relevant Committees.

Reason for the decision:

To ensure the Overview and Scrutiny Work Programmes make effective use of Council resources.

The meeting closed at 5.34 pm.