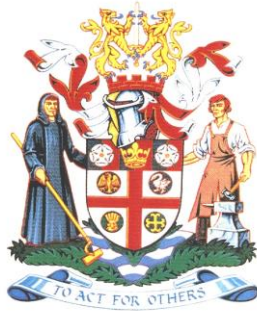


Selby District Council



Minutes

Executive

Venue:	Committee Room, Civic Centre, Selby
Date:	5 December 2013
Present:	Councillor M Crane (Chair), Mrs G Ivey, C Lunn, J Mackman and C Metcalfe.
Officers present:	Chief Executive, Executive Director S151, Executive Director, Director of Community Services, Solicitor to the Council, Lead Officer – Finance, Lead Officer – Policy, Policy Officer and Democratic Services Manager.
Also Present:	Councillor J Crawford
Public:	0
Press:	0

NOTE: Only minute numbers 62, 63, 64 and 65 are subject to call-in arrangements. The deadline for call-in is 5pm on 16 of December 2013. Decisions not called in may be implemented on 17 of December 2013.

58. Apologies for Absence

No apologies were received.

59. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting on the 7 November 2013 were submitted and agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

60. Disclosure of Interest

Councillor J Mackman declared a registered 'other interest' in item 6 (Minute 63 - Improvements to Gateways – Authority to apply for planning permission) through his role with Groundwork Wakefield. He remained in the meeting and participated during consideration of that item.

61. Draft Budget and Medium Term Financial Plan – Key Decision

Councillor C Lunn presented the report on the draft revenue budget and capital programme for 2014/15 to 2016/17.

Councillor C Lunn set out that, subject to the forthcoming Finance Settlement, further cuts were expected to the Revenue Support Grant and a 14% reduction cut in Formula Funding for 2014/15.

The Council planned to support a modest capital programme over the next three years, with General Fund spend including Disabled Facilities Grant, the new All Weather Pitch, repairs to a culvert at Portholme Road and replacement ICT systems. The Housing Revenue Account programme would see the final phase of the Airey Home improvements completed within the coming year.

The Executive discussed the potential impact of the reduction in funding on parish councils. Councillor C Lunn set out the Council's position which had been communicated to parish councils.

The draft budget proposals would be subject to public consultation and would then be finalised at the Executive meeting in February.

Resolved:

- i. Subject to comments from the Policy Review Committee, the draft budgets, bids and savings be submitted to Council for approval;**
- ii. To increase Council Tax by 2% for 2014/15.**

Reason for the decision:

To ensure the Executive's budget proposals are fully funded for 2014/15.

62. Community Infrastructure Levy

Councillor M Crane presented the report which on the progress of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). He set out that the Council had commissioned consultants to provide an updated viability and

infrastructure information to inform the preliminary draft charging schedule.

The Executive discussed the preliminary draft charging schedule and the proposals to split the Selby District into two distinct charging zones with a substantial difference in the CIL charge applicable. The Executive discussed a number of alternative options including the introduction of a flat rate fee across the District. It was noted that any proposals put forward as part of the consultation would need to be evidence based.

Resolved

- i. To approve the content of the report and the assumptions set out in paragraph 1.6 of the report;**
- ii. To approve the draft charging schedule and consultation material for public consultation.**

Reasons for the decision:

To progress the Community Infrastructure Levy to public consultation.

63. Improvements to Gateways – Authority to apply for planning permission

Councillor J Mackman presented the report which set out progress on the Improvements to Gateways and Public Realm project. The report sought authority to make progress on the work now required to undertake heritage themed makeovers on two major roundabouts.

The Executive welcomed the proposals and thanked the project team for its continued efforts.

Resolved:

- i. To seek planning permission for the erection of the two statues and landscaping on the two major roundabouts;**
- ii. Subject to planning permission and confirmation of grant funding; to progress the work to completion on the two major roundabouts;**
- iii. To note the district wide arrangements for enhanced maintenance linked to advertising income.**

Reasons for the decision:

Improving gateways and public realm is a key priority for the council under the Programme for Growth. The proposals set out in this

report will ensure that early progress can be made on a high visibility project.

64. Selby Countryside and Green Spaces Strategy

Councillor C Metcalfe presented the report on the Draft Countryside and Green Spaces Strategy following consultation.

Councillor C Metcalfe gave a brief overview of the background to the Strategy and summarised the consultation responses which had been received.

Resolved:

- i. To note the responses made to the consultation and approve the Council's responses and subsequent amendments to the Countryside and Green Spaces Strategy;**
- ii. To approve the Countryside and Green Spaces Strategy.**

Reasons for the decision:

To enable the Countryside and Green Spaces Strategy to be used to inform future work that may seek to deliver its aims.

65. Tadcaster Car Park

Councillor M Crane presented the report, which was being dealt with as an urgent item of business. He set out that, since the dispatch of the agenda for the Executive Meeting, tenders had been assessed for resurfacing the Central Area Car Park in Tadcaster. The costs of the works were greater than the currently available budget.

The Executive discussed the history of the Council's efforts to resurface the Central Area Car Park in Tadcaster and wanted to see progress made.

Resolved:

To approve an additional budget provision of £80,000 for the resurfacing of the central Area Car park, Tadcaster, to be met by savings from the Core's revenue budget in 2013/14.

Reasons for recommendation

To comply with the procedures set down in the Constitution where an estimate has been exceeded by more than £20,000.

The meeting closed at 5.10 pm