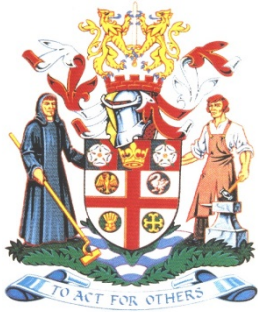


Selby District Council



Minutes

Executive

Venue:	Committee Room, Civic Centre, Selby
Date:	Thursday 18 May 2017
Time:	4pm
Present:	Councillors M Crane (Chair), J Mackman, C Lunn, C Metcalfe and R Musgrave.
Officers present:	Julie Slatter – Director of Corporate Services and Commissioning, Dave Caulfield – Director of Economic Regeneration & Place, Karen Iveson – Chief Finance Officer (s151), Gillian Marshall – Solicitor to the Council, Angela Crossland – Head of Community, Partnerships and Customers (for minute numbers 79 to 83), Ruth Hardingham – Planning Development Manager (for minute numbers 79 to 82), Daniel Maguire - Democratic Services Officer.
Also present:	Councillor R Packham.
Public:	0
Press:	2

NOTE: Only minute numbers 82 to 85 are subject to call-in arrangements. The deadline for call-in is 5pm on Wednesday 31 May 2017. Decisions not called in may be implemented from Thursday 1 June 2017.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

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2. MINUTES

The Executive considered the minutes of the meeting held on 6 April 2017.

RESOLVED:

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 6 April 2017.

3. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

4. VIABILITY FEE RECOVERY

Councillor Mackman, Lead Councillor for Place Shaping, presented the report which asked the Executive to approve changes to the Council's Charging Policy which would require the cost of Viability Assessments to be recovered from the applicant.

The Executive was informed that the Council independently assessed Viability Assessments to ensure proper consideration of planning applications. The cost of the independent assessment was being met by the Council.

Councillor Mackman confirmed that other local planning authorities in the region require applicants to cover these costs, and that best practice guidance from the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) recommended that developers fund the cost of independent validations.

RESOLVED:

To cease to subsidise the costs of independently assessing applicant's viability reports, and to pass the charge on fully under the Council's Charging Policy.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The decision would bring the Council in line with other planning authorities in the region, and would contribute savings of approximately £40,000 to £50,000 per year.

5. SHERBURN IN ELMET HIGH SCHOOL ALL-WEATHER PITCH COMMUNITY FACILITY PROJECT – APPROVAL GRANT AGREEMENT

Councillor Crane, Leader of the Council, presented the report which asked the Executive to approve a grant of £200,000 as a

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contribution towards the cost of a project to develop a multi-use Astroturf (3G) pitch facility at Sherburn High School in Sherburn in Elmet. The grant had been included in the Programme for Growth fund in 2016/17 and the funds had been carried forward to 2017/18 in anticipation of the grant being approved.

It was confirmed that the grant would enable match-funding from the Football Foundation Premier League and FA Facilities Fund (£245,831), and the Sport England Inspired Facilities Fund (£100,000). Additional financial support would be provided by Sherburn Parish Council, and the total cost of the project was estimated to be £605,150.

The Executive considered alternative options which were; to refuse the grant; or to approve the grant but for a reduced amount.

The Executive was supportive of the project, and in particular that the facility would be available to the whole community outside of school times and that the project recognised increasing demand within Sherburn and the wider area.

RESOLVED:

To approve an investment in the development of the multi-use 3G pitch facility at Sherburn High School, through a grant agreement of £200,000.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The grant would enable the delivery of a multi-use 3G pitch facility, which will benefit a diverse range of community sport initiatives. The decision will support Sport England and Football Foundation strategic objectives to increase active participation and provide an initial investment in the area to enable a long-term sustainable plan to be developed to support ongoing healthy living opportunities.

6. DISPOSAL OF LAND ADJOINING 11 CASTLE CLOSE, CAWOOD

Councillor Lunn, Lead Councillor for Finance and Resources, presented the report which asked the Executive to consider the sale of Council-owned land adjoining 11 Castle Close in Cawood.

It was explained that the land currently included two domestic-style garages and a grassed portion of land. The owner of adjoining land had been granted outline planning permission for 17 dwellings, of which 7 would be affordable units. Without access across the Council-owned land, the development would be unable to proceed.

Councillor Lunn confirmed that the land had been valued at £240,000, and that the Council was under a statutory obligation to obtain the open market value and best consideration that could be reasonably obtained on disposal of the land.

RESOLVED:

- (i) **To approve, in principle, the freehold disposal of land adjoining 11 Castle Close, Cawood at best consideration to support the development of 17 units of housing and gain a capital receipt subject to terminating the lease to the Parish Council, advertising the proposed disposal in accordance with section 123 of the Local Government Act 1972 and consideration of any objections received; and**
- (ii) **To authorise the Director of Corporate Services & Commissioning to finalise the terms of transaction in consultation with the Executive Councillor (Finance and Resources), the Solicitor to the Council and the Section 151 Officer to give effect to this in principle decision.**

REASON FOR THE DECISION

To enable the Council to make the best use of assets to obtain a capital receipt and assist in the provision of additional housing for the district.

7. EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS ON OUTSIDE BODIES 2017/18

Councillor Crane, Leader of the Council, presented the report which asked the Executive to make appointments to various Outside Bodies.

The Executive considered each appointment as outlined in Appendix A to the report.

RESOLVED:

To make the Executive appointments to Outside Bodies for the 2017/18 municipal year as detailed in appendix A of the report, subject to the following amendments:

- (i) **York and North Yorkshire Strategic Housing Board – Councillor Musgrave to replace Councillor Peart as member;**

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- (ii) North Yorkshire Building Control Partnership – Councillor Musgrave to replace Councillor Peart as substitute member; and**
- (iii) Groundwork (North Yorkshire) – Labour Group to submit a nomination for the remaining vacancy.**

REASON FOR THE DECISION

To ensure that the Council was represented on Outside Bodies, and to ensure compliance with Part 3 of the Constitution, which required the Executive to make appointments to Outside Bodies that exercise the equivalent of Executive functions.

The meeting closed at 4.31 pm