

# Minutes

## Scrutiny Committee

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Venue:	Committee Room
Date:	Wednesday 29 June 2016
Time:	5 pm
Present:	Councillors W Nichols (Chair), Mrs S Duckett (Vice Chair), I Chilvers, Mrs J Chilvers, M Jordan and D Mackay.
Apologies:	Councillors D Buckle (substitute: M Jordan) and Mrs D White (substitute: Mrs J Chilvers)
Officers present:	Daniel Maguire, Democratic Services Officer.
Public:	0
Press:	0

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### 1. MINUTES

The committee considered the minutes of the Scrutiny Committee held on 22 March 2016.

#### **RESOLVED:**

**To approve the minutes of the Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 22 March 2016.**

### 2. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

### 3. CHAIR'S ADDRESS TO THE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

The Chair welcomed councillors to the first meeting of the municipal year. It was noted that this was the first meeting of the committee since the previous Chair, Councillor Jack Crawford, passed away. The Committee noted that

tributes had been paid to Councillor Crawford at Annual Council on 17 May 2016.

The Committee was informed that Councillor Buckle had given his apologies and had arranged for a substitute, however since then his circumstances had changed and he would attend the meeting as an observer.

The Chair reported that she had been unable to attend the recent meeting of the overview and scrutiny review working group, but that she would meet with the Solicitor to the Council for an update.

The Democratic Services Officer was asked to enquire about the possibility of a further opportunity for committee members to observe proceedings of a Scrutiny Committee at North Yorkshire County Council.

#### **4. SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2016/17**

The committee considered the work programme for the municipal year 2016/17 and made the following suggestions:

##### Executive decisions

- (i) Co-location of North Yorkshire Police at the Civic Centre – the Committee raised a number of questions regarding the proposal and requested that an extraordinary meeting of the Scrutiny Committee be convened to consider the proposals.

##### **RESOLVED:**

**To call an extraordinary meeting of the Scrutiny Committee, to consider the report on the proposed co-location of North Yorkshire Police at the Civic Centre.**

- (ii) Community Engagement Strategy – the Committee noted that this was scheduled for consideration by the Executive in October 2016, and asked that the item be included at an appropriate point within the work programme.
- (iii) Green Waste Composting Tender – the Committee noted that this was scheduled for consideration by the Executive in September 2016 and asked that the item be included at an appropriate point within the work programme.
- (iv) Housing Development Programme – the Committee noted that there were currently a number of housing development sites being considered including Landing Lane, Riccall and Byram Park Road Flats, Byram, and requested that these be considered at an appropriate point in the work programme.
- (v) Car Park Strategy – the Committee agreed that it would like to consider the council's proposals.

- (vi) Annual Review of Leisure Services Contract – the Committee agreed to scrutinise the Leisure Services Contract at an appropriate stage in preparation for the next review.

Other issues

- (i) School places – the Committee agreed to consider an inquiry into issues surrounding the allocation and availability of school places in the Selby district.
- (ii) Highways – the Committee was concerned that further work was being undertaken to the Selby by-pass, and agreed that a review should be conducted to consider why the additional repair work was required and what lessons could be learnt. The Committee agreed that the scope of the review could be widened to consider traffic management issues generally.
- (iii) Air quality in Selby town – the Committee agreed to consider air quality and management within Selby town.
- (iv) The Committee noted that it had previously conducted a review into the management of community centres within the Selby district. The Committee asked that the report be included on its work programme for 2016/17.

**RESOLVED:**

- (i) To include the above items in the Scrutiny Committee's work programme 2016/17; and,**
- (ii) To delegate authority to the Democratic Services Officer to schedule items at the most appropriate time after consultation with relevant officers.**

*Reason for decision:*

*To ensure that the Scrutiny Committee establishes a work programme that effectively scrutinises and contributes to supporting service improvement, delivery against the council's Corporate Plan priorities and holding the Executive to account, in accordance with the council's Constitution.*

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The meeting closed at 5.49pm.