

COUNCIL MEETING

8 October 2019

Present – The Chair (Councillor Whitaker) and Councillors Barrett, Brockbank, Brown, Foster, Handley, Harbron, Heseltine, Hull, Ireton, Jaquin, Lis, Mercer, Metcalfe, Moorby, Morrell, Noland, Pringle, Pighills, Place, Rose, Shuttleworth, Solloway, Staveley, Sutcliffe and Welch.

Officers – Chief Executive, Chief Finance Officer (s151 Officer), Director of Services, Strategic Manager for Planning and Regeneration, Solicitor to the Council and Monitoring Officer and Democratic Services Manager.

Apologies – Councillors Madeley, Mulligan, Myers and Wheeler.

Start: 7.00pm

Finish: 9.00pm

CL.1143

MINUTES

Resolved – Subject to an amendment to delete former Councillor Baxandall from the list of attendees, the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 6 August 2019 are confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

CL.1144

PAT FAIRBANK

A minute's silence was observed in memory of former Councillor, Pat Fairbank. Several Members paid tribute to Pat, a former ward member for Aire Valley and Lothersdale. Members remembered Pat as an extremely hard working and tenacious ward member that stood up for all of her constituents.

CL.1145

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Representatives of Extinction Rebellion attended the meeting to address Council following the decision by Craven District Council in August to declare a Climate Emergency.

The Leader of the Council reported that a meeting had taken place involving the Chief Executive, officers and representatives from Extinction Rebellion to discuss future plans.

CL.1146

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

CL.1147

CIVIC ENGAGEMENTS

It was noted that a list of engagements attended by the Chairman for August and September was included in the agenda pack.

CL.1148

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION

The following recommendations were submitted by Policy Committee at its meeting held 17 September 2019:

Note: For each minute the motion was proposed and seconded “That the recommendations in the minutes are confirmed.”

- POL.1017 – Capital Programme Monitoring Report

Resolved – That the recommendations at Minute POL.1017 are confirmed.

- POL.1018 – Tree Planting on Craven District Council Owned Land

Resolved – That the recommendations at Minute POL.1018 are confirmed.

- POL.1019 – Skipton Gateway – Creating an Active and Sustainable Travel Corridor

Resolved – That the recommendations at Minute POL.1019 are confirmed.

- POL.1020 – Information Management and Governance Strategy

Resolved – That the recommendations at Minute POL.1020 are confirmed.

- POL.1021 – Joint Venture – Development of Land at Airedale Avenue, Skipton

An amendment was moved and seconded that the recommendations be deferred until planning permission had been granted.

Members requested that their votes in relation to the amendment be recorded as follows:

For the amendment (6) – Councillors Brown, Heseltine, Jaquin, Noland, Pighills and Pringle.

Against the amendment (15) – Councillors Brockbank, Foster, Handley, Hull, Ireton, Lis, Mercer, Metcalfe, Moorby, Place, Rose, Staveley, Sutcliffe, Welch and Whitaker.

Abstentions (4) – Councillors Harbron, Morrell, Shuttleworth and Solloway.

Resolved – That the recommendations at Minute POL.1021 are confirmed.

CL.1149

STATEMENT FROM THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

The Leader of the Council provided an update on the proposed merger involving Leeds City Region Enterprise Partnership and York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Enterprise Partnership. It was advised that talks on the merger had stalled and the latest proposal was development of a collaboration arrangement.

It was reported that a Yorkshire Leaders’ meeting had been arranged to consider devolution proposals for Yorkshire. This could potentially result in mayoral elections in 2022.

One Member requested that the above matters together with an update on Welcome to Yorkshire and the North and West Yorkshire Business Rates Pool, be presented to Policy Committee for further consideration.

Resolved – That the following areas be presented to Policy Committee for further consideration:

1. Welcome to Yorkshire
2. North and West Yorkshire Business Rates Pool
3. Devolution deal for Yorkshire
4. Local Enterprise Partnerships.

CL.1150 **STATEMENTS FROM LEAD MEMBERS, CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES AND COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

Councillor Staveley reported that the Lead Member for Greener Craven was providing a presentation on the Green theme at the next Select Committee meeting. A working group meeting was also taking place to consider the revised commercial waste business model and lane end collections.

Councillor Sutcliffe reported that the Inspector’s final report in relation to the Local Plan was likely to be submitted in the next couple of weeks. Associated with this a decision had been taken to cancel the October Planning Committee meeting.

Councillor Ireton provided a brief update in relation to Standards Committee. The next meeting was due to review Member and Officer protocols.

CL.1151 **GENERAL QUESTION AND STATEMENT TIME**

Councillor Moorby provided a statement in relation to the Hellifield Regeneration Scheme. The statement highlighted issues regarding access to Hellifield Station, remodelling of Hellifield Flashes and lack of progress made against the Hellifield Conservation Area Management Plan.

In addition, Councillor Brown submitted the following question:

“Could I please ask the Leader of the Council the following question:

Can we please have monitoring data within the next moth showing the numbers of houses buiot or granted permission during the lifetime of the plan

1. In each of the settlements identified in the plan
2. That are one, two, three and four plus bedroom properties
3. As affordable homes
4. As specialist homes for the elderly or those with disabilities.”

The Leader of the Council advised that monitoring was an essential part of the local plan-making decision process. Section nine of the emerging Craven Local Plan included a list of indicators that were to be used to measure delivery of the Plan Objectives. These indicators included:

- Net additional housing completions by settlement since 2012 and extant and implemented planning permissions;
- Number of one, two, three and four plus bedroom dwellings completed as a percentage of total completions;

- Number of net additional affordable homes provided; and
- Number of units of extra care or other specialist housing accommodation for older people provided.

The above indicators were to be monitored and reported on annually in December each year (with the exception of housing completions and permissions by settlement which were being reported quarterly) once the Local Plan was adopted (anticipated to be November 2019).

(Councillor Barrett left the meeting at 8.20pm during the consideration of this item.)

Chairman