

Minutes of the meeting of the HAMBLETON
DISTRICT COUNCIL held at 2.00pm on
Tuesday 17 September 2013 at the Civic
Centre, Stone Cross, Northallerton

Present

Councillor R A Baker (In the Chair)

Councillor	D E Adamson	Councillor	Mrs C Patmore
	A W Barker		B Phillips
	D M Blades		M J Prest
	G W Dadd		M Rigby
	G W Ellis		M S Robson
	Mrs B S Fortune		Mrs I Sanderson
	Mrs F M Greenwell		Mrs S A Shepherd
	Mrs J A Griffiths		Mrs M Skilbeck
	A W Hall		P G Sowray
	K G Hardisty		A P Wake
	R W Hudson		Mrs J Watson
	J D Hugill		S Watson
	R Kirk		D A Webster
	N A Knapton		P R Wilkinson
	J Noone		A W Wood

(Apologies for absence were received from Councillors K Billings, Mrs C S Cookman, J Coulson, S P Dickins, B Griffiths, N W Huxtable, A Robinson, C R Rooke, J N Smith and T Swales)

C.12

MINUTES

THE DECISION:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 23 July 2013 (C.6 – C.11), previously circulated, be signed as a correct record.

C.13

STATEMENT FROM THE LEADER AND REFERRALS FROM CABINET

The Leader made a statement regarding the Local Development Framework (LDF) Review, the Economic Study, the relocation of the Police Head Quarters, closure of the Rural Payments Agency, Constitution of Reform and the Management Structure.

The Deputy Leader also provided an update on the closure of the both the Rural Payments Agency and HMP Northallerton and reassured Members that every effort was being made to assist with the future utilisation of the buildings.

The Leader moved Cabinet minutes CA.24 – CA.30.

A question was asked regarding the transfer of prisoners from HMP Northallerton which was responded to at the meeting.

THE DECISION:

That the reports, resolutions and recommendations of the following meetings of the Cabinet be received, approved and adopted:-

<u>Body</u>	<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Minute Nos</u>
Cabinet	3 September 2013	CA.24 – CA.30

C.14

CABINET PORTFOLIO HOLDER STATEMENTS

- (a) Councillor P R Wilkinson, Portfolio Holder for Support Services and Economic Development made a statement regarding ICT Services, Revenues and Benefits, Corporate Finance, Rural Payments Agency, Economic Study, Working with the Local Enterprise Partnership, Small Business Saturday and Apprentices. Questions regarding Welfare Reform Changes and non payment of Council Tax were asked and responded to.
- (b) Councillor Mrs S A Shepherd, Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Health made a statement regarding Tour de France, Multi-Sport Clubs, Hambleton Sports Awards, Thirsk and Sowerby Sports Village, Leisure Centre Capital Projects, Big Weekend, Quest, Communications and purchase of a Defibrillator for the Civic Centre. Questions regarding the Big Weekend and the Tour de France were asked and responded to.
- (c) Councillor N A Knapton, Portfolio Holder for Customer Services and Asset Management made a statement regarding Customer Services, Council Grants, Funding and Development Work, Area Partnerships, CCTV, Parish Liaison, Community Safety, Part-Nighting of Public Lighting and Adoption of Highways at Thurston Road, Northallerton.
- (d) Councillor B Phillips, Portfolio Holder for Housing, Planning and Waste Management made a statement regarding the Review of the Local Development Framework (LDF), Housing Supply, Development Management, Recycling, Street Scene Vehicles, Travellers Sites, Housing Studies and the Building Control Partnership. Questions regarding the new recycling bins and the LDF were asked and responded to.

C.15

NORTH YORK MOORS NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

Councillor J D Hugill, the Council representative on the North York Moors National Park Authority, presented a report detailing the current structure and activities of the National Park Authority. Questions regarding Potash and Carlton Bank were asked and responded to.

C.16

AMENDMENTS TO STATEMENT OF PAY POLICY

All Wards

The Director of Corporate Services submitted a report which outlined revised Government guidance on pay policy statements and recommended changes to the Council's Statement of Pay Policy. The most significant guidance related to severance payments, the guidance suggested that proposed severance packages for officers beyond a value of £100,000 should be reported to full Council for

approval. It was therefore recommended that a paragraph be incorporated into the Council's Statement of Pay Policy regarding the approval of Severance Payments in excess of £100,000.

THE DECISION:

That the Council's Statement of Pay Policy be amended as detailed in the report.

C.17

INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL

All Wards

The Director of Corporate Services submitted a report regarding the appointments of the Independent Remuneration Panel. A recruitment exercise was undertaken during May and June 2013; the only three applicants were the existing members of the Panel. The Council was asked to approve the appointments for a period of four years expiring in September 2017.

THE DECISION:

That the appointment of Mr M Holford, Mrs P Martin and Mr I Woods to the Independent Remuneration Panel be approved for a period of 4 years expiring in September 2017.

The meeting closed at 2.25pm.

Chairman of the Council