

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held at
2.00 pm on Tuesday, 14th December, 2021 at
Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Stone Cross,
Rotary Way, Northallerton, DL6 2UU

Present

Councillor M A Barningham (in the Chair)

Councillor	P Atkin	Councillor	R Kirk
	P Bardon		C A Les
	G W Dadd		B Phillips
	C A Dickinson		G Ramsden
	D B Elders		M S Robson
	Mrs B S Fortune		Mrs I Sanderson
	B Griffiths		M G Taylor
	R W Hudson		P R Thompson
	D Hugill		S Watson
	K G Hardisty		D A Webster
	P A James		P R Wilkinson

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A Wake, N A Knapton, J Noone, A Robinson and D Watkins and Honorary Alderman J Fletcher

C.15 Minutes

The decision:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 14 September 2021 (C.10 - C.14), previously circulated, be signed as a correct record.

C.16 Announcements by the Chairman or Chief Executive

The Chairman welcomed Councillor Philippa James who had been elected for the Raskelf and White Horse Ward at the By-Election on 25 November 2021.

The Chairman also wished everybody a Merry Christmas and New Year.

C.17 Statement of the Leader and Referrals from Cabinet

The Leader moved Cabinet minutes CA.31 – CA.33 (5 October 2021); CA.36 (2 November 2021) and CA.39 – CA.42 (7 December 2021) and made a statement to the Council on the following matters:-

- Continued support to communities and businesses throughout the pandemic.
- Local Government Reorganisation.

- The £4m redevelopment of Thirsk and Sowerby Leisure Centre.
- The development of Hambleton Crematorium at Maple Park.
- Consultation on the draft budget prior to consideration at Cabinet in February 2022.
- Elections in May 2022.

A number of questions were asked based on the statement. The main issues which the Leader responded to were in relation to:-

- Ongoing review regarding the appointment of Interim Section 151 Officer.
- Ingleby Arncliffe Neighbourhood Plan Adoption.

The Decision:

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

Body	Date of Meeting	Minute Nos
Cabinet	5 October 2021	CA.31 – CA.33
	2 November 2021	CA.36
	7 December 2021	CA.39 – CA.42

C.18 Cabinet Portfolio Statements

- (a) Councillor P R Wilkinson, Portfolio Holder for Economic Development and Finance made a statement regarding Additional Restrictions Grant – Business Support; Hambleton Apprenticeship Scheme; Insight with Passion Workshops Phase 3; C4DI Northallerton; Vibrant Market Towns; Financial Management and draft budget proposals for 2022/23.
- (b) Councillor P A Thompson, Portfolio Holder for Leisure made a statement regarding Sowerby Sports Village; Hambleton Heroes; Community Grants; Bedale Leisure Centre Developments; Thirsk and Sowerby Leisure Centre reopening and Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme.
- (c) Councillor Mrs I Sanderson, Portfolio Holder for Governance made a statement regarding free car parking; World of James Herriot and the Forum; Public Street Lighting; Electoral Services; ICT and the phishing campaign. A question was asked regarding the roll out regarding electric charging points for vehicles which was responded to at the meeting.
- (d) Councillor D Webster, Portfolio Holder for Planning made a statement regarding Local Plan; Ingleby Arncliffe Neighbourhood Plan; Land Charges and Development Management.
- (e) Councillor S Watson, Portfolio Holder for Environmental Health, Waste and Recycling made a statement regarding Waste and Street Scene (garden waste, budgets and Local Government Restructure);

Environmental Health (food, Covid, new Management Information System, Local Government Restructure and Air Quality); Warm Homes Schemes; Avian Flu; Climate Change Strategy; Outreach and Queen's Green Canopy. A question was asked regarding the location of the air quality monitors which was responded to at the meeting.

- (f) Councillor M G Taylor, Portfolio Holder for Transformation and Projects made a statement regarding Maple Park Crematorium and the North Northallerton relief road.

C.19 Referral from the Audit, Governance and Standards Committee

The Decision:

That the reports, resolutions and recommendations of the following meeting of the Audit, Governance and Standards Committee be received, approved and adopted:-

Body	Date of Meeting	Minute Nos
Audit, Governance and Standards Committee	5 October 2021	AGS.8 – AGS.9

C.20 Referral from the Licensing Committee

The Decision:

That the reports, resolutions and recommendations of the following meeting of the Licensing Committee be received, approved and adopted:-

Body	Date of Meeting	Minute Nos
Licensing Committee	8 December 2021	LC.5

C.21 Notice of Motion

It was moved by Councillor M S Robson and seconded by Councillor G W Dadd:

“Acknowledging the steps taken by the UK government and other world leaders at the COP26 climate conference in Glasgow, the huge scale of the challenge we face to keep the rise in average global temperature below 1.5°, the key role of local authorities in meeting the UK’s climate targets and, above all, our responsibility towards future generations, we believe the time has now come for Hambleton District Council to join other institutions and organisations throughout the country in declaring a climate emergency. We invite the people of Hambleton to join us in our efforts to rapidly cut emissions across the District and accelerate the progress we have already made as an Authority towards building a cleaner, greener, high-skills economy.”

The Decision:

That the Notice of Motion be supported.

C.22 **Appointment to Committees**

All Wards

This report considered a request from the Conservative Group to appoint a Member to the vacant seats on the Scrutiny Committee and the Thirsk and Sowerby Swimming Baths Charity which arose following the resignation of a Council Member in October 2021.

The Decision:

That Councillor Philippa James be appointed to the vacancies on the Scrutiny Committee and the Thirsk and Sowerby Swimming Baths Charity.

The meeting closed at 2.50 pm

Chairman of the Council