

RICHMOND TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Resources Meeting held 6.30 p.m. Monday 11 April 2016 in the Council Chamber, Richmond Town Hall

PRESENT: Councillors: Heap - Chair
Lord - Vice Chair
Harris
Preece
Parsons
White
World
Blease
Cooke
Steggles

In attendance: Ms H. Lawler (Town Clerk) Councillors Pearson and Spencer

R.01.04.16 Apologies:

No apologies

R.02.04.16 Public Open Session:

There were three members of the public present.

R.03.04.16 It was agreed that Declarations of Interest should be dealt with as and when they arose during the meeting.

R.04.04.16 Town Clerk's Updates:

The Chair requested that Item 8 be brought forward as an Agenda Item.

Website

Councillor Pearson suggested that the Town Council website is in need of updating and members agreed that a revised quotation be obtained.

North Yorkshire County Council – Grass Cutting

The Town Clerk reported that NYCC will not be increasing their contribution towards the RTC Cutting of high visibility areas as requested, as a result of this the Town Council has accepted their contribution which reflects a cut of one third from the previous year's contribution. A press release is to go out informing Richmond residents of these facts.

R08.04.16 2016 Beer Festival:

Various discussions took place regarding the event and the impact the disruption has on the Market Traders.

Proposed: Councillor Harris Seconded: Councillor White

RESOLVED: that the Resources Committee recommend to Full Council that the Beer Festival organisers along with the Town Council seek an alternative venue for the event.

R05.04.16 Dog Waste Bins:

The Town Council had received a request to provide two dog waste bins and a request for another bin was made by Councillor Parsons at the meeting. It was suggested that the Town Council should request from Richmondshire District Council a plan of the location of all the existing bins.

Proposed: Councillor Parsons Seconded: Councillor Preece

RESOLVED: that three number dog waste bins be supplied at the cost of £780.00 plus Vat to be debited from the Community Project Fund. The location of the bins are I'Anson/Frances Road, St. Mary's Churchyard and the bottom of Westfields (Coronation/Whitcliffe junction).

R06.04.16 2016 Christmas Market:

Discussion took place regarding the organisation and income from stalls for this event.

Proposed: Councillor Parsons Seconded: Councillor Harris

RESOLVED: that a decision on funding be deferred until after a meeting with the organisers to discuss revenue.

R07.04.16 Badges for Freemen:

Discussion took place and sample badges were made available for Councillors to inspect.

Proposed: Councillor World Seconded: Councillor Lord

RESOLVED: that Richmond Town Council declined to provide badges for Freemen.

Councillor Harris took no part in the above discussions and did not vote.

R08.04.16 Beer Festival:

This item was taken out of sequence.

R09.04.16 Lead Councillors:

A debate on the suggestion that Lead Councillors for Markets be reappointed took place. Councillors were reminded of previous advice received by the Yorkshire Council's Association in 2013. Based on this advice the Market Regulations had been amended to omit Lead Councillor's for Markets.

Proposed: Councillor Parsons Seconded: Councillor World

RESOLVED: that the Town Clerk along with Councillor Parsons draw up a document on the role of all Lead Councillors prior to this item being revisited.

R10.04.16 Market Rents:

Proposed: Councillor Parsons Seconded: Councillor World

RESOLVED: to move this Item into Private Session.

R11.04.16 Private Session:

Proposed: Councillor Parsons Seconded: Councillor World

RESOLVED: to move this Item into Private Session.

The meeting finished at 8.30 pm