

At a Meeting of the Richmondshire District Council held at Mercury House, Station Road, Richmond, North Yorkshire on Tuesday, 23 October 2018 at 6.30 pm.

- Present:** Councillor Bill Glover (Chairman).  
Councillors John Amsden, John Blackie, Richard Blows, Jamie Cameron, Linda Curran DL, Campbell Dawson, Susan Fairhurst, Sam Gibbs, Danny Gill, Helen Grant, Lawrence Grose, William Heslop, Lorraine Hodgson, Geoffrey Linehan, Russell Lord, Pat Middlemiss, Stuart Parsons, Yvonne Peacock, Ian Scott, Karin Sedgwick, Angus Thompson, Caroline Thornton-Berry MBE, Ian Threlfall, Jimmy Wilson-Petch and Clive World.
- Officers:** Tony Clark (Chief Executive), Callum McKeon (Corporate Director (Strategy & Regulatory)), Sian Moore (Corporate Director (Resources)) and Katie Cullum (Democratic Services Manager).
- Attendance:** Colin Eales (Maintenance Team Leader) and Natalie Shaw (Maintenance Office Supervisor).
- Apologies:** Councillors Paul Cullen, Angie Dale, Louise Dickens, Tony Duff, Richard Ormston, Bev Partridge, Stephen Wyrill and Simon Young.

**DC21/18 Chairman's Excellence in Performance Awards**

The Chairman, Councillor Bill Glover, presented Excellence in Performance Awards to Colin Eales (Maintenance Team Leader) and Natalie Shaw (Maintenance Office Supervisor) at the meeting. Julie Toombes (Waste and Street Scene Supervisor) was also congratulated on achieving the award. As she was unable to attend, her certificate would be presented at a later date.

**DC22/18 Public Speaking and Question Time**

There were no public questions or statements submitted for consideration at the meeting.

**DC23/18 Minutes**

- Resolved:** That the Minutes of the meeting held on 24 July 2018 be signed and approved an accurate record.

**DC24/18 Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Angus Thompson declared a pecuniary interest in relation to Minute DC27/18(d) as a potential beneficiary from the Business Rate Discretionary Reliefs policy and withdrew from the meeting whilst the item was considered.

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**DC25/18 Chairman's Engagements**

The Chairman presented a list of engagements that he and the Vice-Chairman had undertaken during the period 22 July 2018 to 23 October 2018. He took the opportunity to thank the Vice-Chairman, Councillor Stuart Parsons for his continued support and for undertaking a number of civic functions over the previous months.

The Chairman made specific reference to the 2018 Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal and called for support for this year's campaign, which would mark the end of the WW1 centenary.

**DC26/18 Statement from the Leader of the Council/Chairman of Corporate Board/Questions to the Leader and the Corporate Board Spokespersons**

The Leader of the Council presented her written statement on the work of the Council and updated Members on issues detailed in her statement.

The Leader referred to healthcare services and in particular the on-going engagement with the Hambleton, Richmondshire and Whitby (HRW) Clinical Commissioning Group on the continued future of the Friary Hospital, which was a vital resource for the community.

Members obtained further information on the issues raised on a question and answer basis.

**Resolved:** That the statement be noted.

**DC27/18 Referrals from Committees**

The Corporate Director (Strategy & Regulatory) presented for approval referrals from Committees.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 15.7, each recommendation and minute reference was voted on separately.

- Resolved:**
- (a) That the recommendation set out in Minute AG11/18 (Review of Constitution – Financial and Contract Procedure Rules) of the Audit, Governance and Standards Committee held on 30 July 2018 be approved.
  - (b) That the recommendation set out in Minute CB21/18 (Home Improvement Agency – Disabled Facilities Grant Policy) of the Corporate Board held on 11 September 2018 be approved.
  - (c) That the recommendation set out in Minute CB22/18 (Redundancy Policy) of the Corporate Board held on 11 September 2018 be approved.

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- (d) That the recommendation set out in Minute CB29/18 (Business Rate Discretionary Reliefs – Local Childcare Providers) of the Corporate Board held on 9 October 2018 be approved.

(**Note:** Councillor Angus Thompson withdrew from the meeting during consideration of item (d) above).

(**Note:** Councillor Stuart Parsons wished it to be recorded that he voted against resolution (d) above).

- (e) That the recommendation set out in Minute CB30/18 (UCI Road World Cycling Championships) of the Corporate Board held on 9 October 2018 be approved.

### DC28/18 Statements from Chairmen of Committees

The Chairmen of the Council's Committees presented written statements on the Committees' work since the last meeting of Council.

Council noted the presentation by the Hambleton, Richmondshire and Whitby (HRW) Clinical Commissioning Group to Overview and Scrutiny Committee 2 on 23 October 2018, which had covered a number of topics including the Friary Hospital, the Catterick Integrated Care Campus and Patient Transport Services.

**Resolved:** That the statements be noted.

### DC29/18 Notice of Motion

Councillor John Blackie requested consideration of the following Notice of Motion, under Council Procedure Rule 11, which was seconded by Councillor Geoffrey Linehan.

*"This Council believes the community of healthcare provision must be based upon the needs of an individual so it is deeply concerned to read of the cutbacks in the assistance given to patients to attend a hospital clinic as provided by the Yorkshire Ambulance Service Patient Transport Services (PTS) and commissioned by the Hambleton, Richmondshire and Whitby (HRW) Clinical Commissioning Group.*

*The cutbacks have a disproportionate impact that falls most heavily on patients in rural communities like all those throughout Richmondshire placed furthest from the hospitals that serve them, and it notes with dismay there has been no consultation whatsoever before they have been implemented on October 1st.*

*It calls upon the HRW Clinical Commissioning Group and the Yorkshire Ambulance Service to provide as soon as possible:*

- (i) *The demographic make-up of the panel of 200 contacts it discussed the changes with and;*

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(ii) *The Booking Enquiry script routine used by the PTS Controllers and;*

*To attend a further Scrutiny Committee in January or February to report on the feedback of the changes to the services whilst hearing further the anxieties they have caused amongst patients.*

**(Note:** In accordance with Council procedure rule 13.8(a) the wording of the above motion was amended from the version published on the agenda with the consent of the meeting).

**Resolved:** (Unanimously) That the motion as amended be supported.

The meeting concluded at approximately 7.36 pm.