



Skipton Town Council

16/10

Full Council Thursday 2 June 2016 at 7.00 pm

Present: Councillors M Emmerson, A Rankine, G Bell, C Clark, J Dawson, C Harbron, R G Heseltine, Mrs. P Heseltine, Hickman, J Kerr, P Madeley, K McIntyre & P Whitaker.

Officers: Dave Parker (Chief Officer), Jill Peacock (Resources Manager) & Wendy Allsopp (Committee Services Officer).

1. To accept representations from the Public between 7.00 pm and 7.15 pm.

None.

2. To accept apologies for absence.

Apologies were accepted from Councillors Mrs Clark & Jaquin.

Absent – Councillor Dow

3. To record declarations of pecuniary and non pecuniary interests items on the agenda.

None.

4. To consider the recommendations of the Chief Officer relating to requests for dispensations to Members on items requiring a declaration of pecuniary and non pecuniary interests.

None.

5. To note the procedure for the completion of the Council's Annual Return and to approve the Financial Statements for year ending 31st March 2016.

Members **NOTED** the order of proceedings required to complete the approval of the Council's Annual Return submission.

After discussion and various questions from Members it was **RESOLVED** to approve the Council's Financial Statements for the year ending 31 March 2016.

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6. To approve the Council's Annual Governance Statement for 2015/2016.

Councillors **NOTED** that no concerns had been raised by the Internal Auditor and **AGREED** that the Auditor should be invited to attend an appropriate meeting of the Council on an annual basis.

Members agreed to the nine individual governance statements set out in Section 1 of the Council's Annual Return as follows:

- Statement 1 – proposed by Councillor McIntyre & seconded by Councillor Dawson
- Statement 2 – proposed by Councillor Madeley & seconded by Councillor Kerr
- Statement 3 – proposed by Councillor Dawson & seconded by Councillor Hickman
- Statement 4 – proposed by Councillor Dawson & seconded by Councillor Kerr
- Statement 5 – proposed by Councillor Kerr & seconded by Councillor Madeley
- Statement 6 – proposed by Councillor Madeley & seconded by Councillor Kerr
- Statement 7 – proposed by Councillor Dawson & seconded by Councillor Kerr
- Statement 8 – proposed by Councillor Kerr & seconded by Councillor Harbron
- Statement 9 – proposed by Councillor Kerr & seconded by Councillor Harbron

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the complete Annual Governance Statement and allow the Town Mayor and Chief Officer to sign the documentation.

Members expressed their thanks to staff and the Internal Auditor for their work.

7. To approve the Council's Accounting Statements for 2015/2016 (Report attached)

Council **RESOLVED** to allow the Town Mayor (as Chairman of the Council) to sign the confirmation of approval.

Meeting closed at 7.45 pm