



Skipton Town Council

28 May 2015

To all members of the Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Full Council at the Town Hall Council Chambers on **Thursday 4 June 2015 at 7.00 pm** for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Members are requested to familiarise themselves with the agenda and any associated reports ahead of the meeting. If you require any further information or background, you are requested to contact the appropriate Officer for assistance. Details of the author and/or responsible officer can be found at the end of each report.

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AGENDA

FULL COUNCIL

4 June 2015

Full Council Agenda

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

A period of up to 15 minutes is allowed for any representations or statements from members of the public. This period can be extended at the discretion of the Chairman. Normally, each member of the public should be allowed to speak for no more than five minutes. Council Members may ask questions to clarify any points raised, but no resolutions can be made, nor decisions taken, during this item. Members of the public should be reminded that they may remain in attendance during the rest of the meeting (except for confidential items) but they may not take part in any subsequent discussions. A record should be taken of those members of the public speaking.

2. To accept apologies for absence.

Members are reminded that it is their individual responsibility to ensure that any apologies for absence are received by the Council before the start of the meeting. Apologies may be given in advance in writing, by telephone or by email to the office (during office hours). Late apologies (outside of office hours) on the date of the meeting can be sent by telephone or text to the senior Officer in attendance. Contact details are shown at the bottom of this agenda. A valid reason for absence must be stated and recorded in the minutes – and each absence must be approved by an affirmative resolution of those Members present.

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

It is the responsibility of each Member, individually, to declare any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests. This should be done during this item or as soon as possible should an interest become apparent during the course of the meeting. The declaration will be recorded in the minutes. Members are reminded that a pecuniary interest arises only if the Member concerned (or their partner) has a personal financial interest in the matter being considered. Declarations need not be made for any item relating to the setting of the Council's precept. In the case of any doubt, Members are requested to seek guidance from the Chief Officer ahead of the meeting.

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.

The Chief Officer (or Senior Officer in attendance) will inform Members of any valid requests received and will make a recommendation to Members as to whether the request should be approved. Requests must be submitted in advance of the meeting, to the Chief Officer, on the official request form. Full details are available from the office. Requests for dispensations cannot be made at the meeting itself.

5. To note and approve the Council's Annual Financial Statements and Annual Return (Report attached – further documentation to follow)

6. To receive an update on progress towards the proposed move of the Council's offices to Skipton Town Hall and to approve the signing of the associated Heads of Terms (Report attached)

7. To consider a recommendation from the Yorkshire Local Councils Association to amend the Council's adopted protocol for the recording of the proceedings of the Council (Report attached)

OFFICER SUPPORT TO THE MEETING:

Senior Officer Scheduled to Attend: Dave Parker (Chief Officer)

Other Officers Scheduled to Attend: Jill Peacock (Finance and Administration Officer)
Wendy Allsopp (Administration Assistant)

APOLOGIES:

Contact the office during normal opening hours: (01756) 700553
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Late apologies should be made by phone or text message to the senior Officer scheduled to attend.