

**POLICY COMMITTEE**  
**31 January 2017**

**Present:** Councillors Nicholson (Chairman), McIntyre, Mellows, Swift, Upson, & Westmorland.

**Apologies:** Councillors Draper & Wootton.

**2 members of the public were in attendance.**

**225 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors should disclose pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest/s in any item/s on this agenda.

**The Chairman read out the following statement.** Members are referred to, and shall observe, the provisions of the Hemsworth Town Council's Code of Conduct. If a Councillor has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest he/she must, unless a dispensation has been granted, withdraw from the meeting room and take no part in the discussion or vote. If any interest (Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary) has not been entered in the Town Council's register then you must disclose it at the meeting and inform the Monitoring Officer within 28 days of the date of initial disclosure. Failure to abide by the provisions of the Code in regard to Disclosable Pecuniary Interests now amounts to a criminal offence.

**No disclosures were made.**

**226 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2016, as detailed in Minute Book No. 4, 2016/2017, pages 163 – 164 and as adopted by the Town Council on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2016, be received and approved.

**227 REVIEW OF TOWN COUNCIL POLICY AS EMBODIED IN MINUTE BOOK No. 5 (2016/2017)**

Members reviewed Minute Book No. 5 which was circulated with the agenda and no matters were raised and the minutes were moved

**228 CORRESPONDENCE**

The Town Clerk reported on the following.

- a. West Yorkshire Police & Crime newsletter  
**It was agreed** that the newsletter received be noted.
- b. Healthwatch Wakefield  
**It was agreed** that the newsletter received be noted.
- c. Community Speed Watch Scheme  
**It was agreed** that the information received be noted.

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**229 MATTERS RAISED BY THE CHAIRMAN**

a. HS2 Consultation

The Chairman gave an update on matters relating to the proposed HS2 and the Clerk gave details of further consultation meetings in February.

**It was agreed** that the information be noted.

**230 EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC**

**RESOLVED:** That in view of the confidential nature of business to be transacted, it is advisable, in the public interest, that the public and press be excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

**231 1, BANK STREET**

The Town Clerk provided details of a company interested in leasing the building. Members discussed the terms of lease provided by the Clerk along with the rental offered.

**RESOLVED:** that all members approved the leasing of the building on the terms and conditions provided by the Clerk.

**232 HEMSWORTH COMMUNITY – STRATEGIC PLANNING STRATEGY**

The Town Clerk reported on the following:

a. Contractual / Legal issues

The Clerk provided members with an update on matters that had arisen since her last report.

**It was agreed** that the information be noted.

**Meeting closed @ 7.35 p.m.**

Tina Pattison  
Town Clerk  
31 January 2017  
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