



NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the County Council held at County Hall, Northallerton on 23 January 2007.

PRESENT:-

County Councillor Mrs Margaret Hulme in the Chair.

County Councillors Michelle Andrew, Val Arnold, Arthur Barker, Keith Barnes, Philip M Barrett, William F Barton OBE, Bernard Bateman MBE, David L Billing, John Blackburn, John Blackie, Eric Broadbent, Rob Broadley, Peter G Brown, Elizabeth Casling, Gordon Charlton, Geoffrey Cullern, Gareth Dadd, Mrs M A de Courcey-Bayley, John E Fletcher, John Fort BEM, Heather Garnett, Roger N Harrison-Topham, David Heather, Michael Heseltine, Robert Heseltine, Bill Houlton, Gillian Ivey, Michael S Knaggs, Andrew Lee, Carl Les, Morris Lightfoot, David Lloyd-Williams, Brian Marshall, J W Marshall, Shelagh Marshall, Chris Metcalfe, Leslie Parkes, Stuart Parsons, Caroline Patmore, Christopher Pearson, Paul Richardson, John Savage, Caroline Seymour, Steve Shaw-Wright, Brian Simpson, Martin Smith, Jim Snowball, Peter Sowray, Melva Steckles, Timothy Swales, Helen G Swiers, Herbert Tindall, Cliff Trotter, John Watson OBE, John Weighell, Greg White, Andrew Williams, Clare L Wood and John Wren.

Bobby Cooper, Lay Preacher, led the Council in prayers.

MINUTES

RESOLVED –

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| 109. | That the minutes of the Meeting of the County Council, held on 20 December, 2006 having been printed and circulated, be taken as read and be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record. |
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PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR STATEMENTS

There were no statements or questions from members of the public.

RESPONSE TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT WHITE PAPER

The following Members declared personal but not prejudicial interests in this item, as Members of the District Councils specified below:-

County Councillor	District Council
Val Arnold	Ryedale District Council
Arthur Barker	Hambleton District Council
Philip Barrett	Craven District Council
David Billing	Scarborough Borough Council
John Blackburn	Scarborough Borough Council
John Blackie	Richmondshire District Council
Eric Broadbent	Scarborough Borough Council
Rob Broadley	Scarborough Borough Council
Peter Brown	Hambleton District Council
Elizabeth Casling	Selby District Council
Geoffrey Cullern	Scarborough Borough Council
Mrs M A de Courcey-Bayley	Harrogate Borough Council
John Fletcher	Hambleton District Council
David Heather	Craven District Council
Michael Heseltine	Richmondshire District Council
Robert Heseltine	Craven District Council
Bill Hoult	Harrogate Borough Council
Margaret Hulme	Selby District Council
Gillian Ivey	Selby District Council
Carl Les	Hambleton District Council
Morris Lightfoot	Harrogate Borough Council
Brian Marshall	Selby District Council
Chris Metcalfe	Selby District Council
Stuart Parsons	Richmondshire District Council
Christopher Pearson	Selby District Council
Caroline Seymour	Hambleton District Council
Steve Shaw-Wright	Selby District Council
Brian Simpson	Scarborough Borough Council
Martin Smith	Scarborough Borough Council
Peter Sowray	Hambleton District Council
Tim Swales	Hambleton District Council
Herbert Tindall	Scarborough Borough Council
Cliff Trotter	Harrogate Borough Council
John Weighell	Hambleton District Council
Andrew Williams	Harrogate Borough Council
John Wren	Harrogate Borough Council

It was moved and seconded "That the Council debate this matter in Committee."

The Council divided and it was RESOLVED –

<p>110. That the Council debate this matter in Committee.</p>
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For the motion	Against the motion	Abstentions
County Councillors:-	County Councillors:-	County Councillor
Michelle Andrew	Arthur Barker	Andrew Lee
Val Arnold	Keith Barnes	
Philip Barrett	Gordon Charlton	
Bill Barton OBE	Gareth Dadd	
Bernard Bateman MBE	Mrs M A De Courcey-Bayley	
David Billing	John Fletcher	
John Blackburn	David Heather	
John Blackie	Bill Hoult	
Eric Broadbent	Morris Lightfoot	
Rob Broadley	David Lloyd-Williams	
Peter Brown	J W Marshall	
Elizabeth Casling	Lesley Parkes	
Geoffrey Cullern	Caroline Seymour	
John Fort BEM	Steve Shaw-Wright	
Heather Garnett	Herbert Tindall	
Roger Harrison-Topham	Andrew Williams	
Michael Heseltine		
Robert Heseltine		
Margaret Hulme		
Gillian Ivey		
Michael S Knaggs		
Carl Les		
Brian Marshall		
Shelagh Marshall		
Chris Metcalfe		
Stuart Parsons		
Caroline Patmore		
Christopher Pearson		
Paul Richardson		
John Savage		
Brian Simpson		
Martin Smith		
Jim Snowball		
Peter Sowray		
Melva Steckles		
Timothy Swales		
Helen Swiers		
Cliff Trotter		
John Watson OBE		
John Weighell		
Greg White		
Clare L Wood		
(42)	(16)	(1)

And the motion was declared carried.

RESOLVED:-

- 111.** (a) That a proposal for a single unitary council for North Yorkshire be submitted to the Government;
- (b) That the draft document attached to the report and the principles and proposals set out in it, be approved as the basis of that submission; and
- (c) That the Chief Executive be delegated authority to modify, complete and finalise the text and submit the document to meet the Government deadline of 25 January 2007.