

**POLICY COMMITTEE**  
**15 November 2016**

**Present:** Councillors Nicholson (Chairman), Beck, Briggs, Campbell, Draper, McIntyre, Mellows, Swift, Upton, Westmorland & Wootton.

**Apologies:** Councillor Allan.

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

**180 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.**

**181 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2016, as detailed in Minute Book No. 3, 2016/2017, page 124 and as adopted by the Town Council on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2016, be received and approved.

**182 REVIEW OF TOWN COUNCIL POLICY AS EMBODIED IN MINUTE BOOK No. 4 (2016/2017)**

Members reviewed Minute Book No. 4 which was circulated with the agenda and no matters were raised and the minutes were moved

**183 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.

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**184 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 which included legal advice sought and the response received from the District Council. Members discussed the matters in detail.

Councillor Wootton proposed that the legal advice received be actioned. This was seconded by Councillor Draper.

**RESOLVED:** By a unanimous vote the proposal was carried.

**Meeting closed @ 7.30 p.m.**

Tina Pattison  
Town Clerk  
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