

## Extras- Ordinary Town Council – 19<sup>th</sup> October 2011

### In attendance:-

**Mrs P Evans** – Town Mayor

**TJ Allsopp RRC BSc** -

**Mrs M Burkinshaw** – Chair of Local Agenda 21 Committee

**Mrs J Cole** - Chair of Recreation Committee,

**MJW Cole** – Vice Chair of Environment and Planning Committee

**ST Hardcastle** - *(apologies for non-attendance)*

**L Harrison** – Leader of the Council and Chair of Finance and Resources Committee

**RS Henfrey** – Vice Chair of Environment and Planning Committee –

**Miss D Johnson** – *(apologies for non-attendance)*

**HJW Mills**

**DE Mothershaw**

**A Redfern** - *(apologies for non-attendance)*

**JA Taylor** Vice Chair of Recreation Committee

**E Tunstall**

**Mrs M Wright** - Deputy Leader of the Council and Vice Chair of Finance and Resources Committee

### **84 Councillor Steve Tulley – District Councillor and Leader of the Council, South Elmsall Town Council**

**Resolved** that standing orders be suspended in order to allow Councillor Tulley to fully participate in the meeting.

### **85 West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Services (WYFRS) – Fire Service Review – Proposed Closure of South Elmsall and Hemsworth Fire Stations.**

Senior representatives from WYFRS attended the meeting and outlined the proposals considered necessary to meet an £18m shortfall in the government grant settlement for future years. The proposals recommended the closure of South Elmsall and Hemsworth fire stations and the provision of a new fire station on the South Kirkby Colliery Industrial Estate.

#### **Resolved**

1. That the representatives from WYFRS be thanked for attending the meeting
2. That the Town Council object to the proposals on the grounds of public safety and village cohesion.
3. That representation be made to the Secretary of State indicating that the proposals are contrary to the principles of “localism” and current government policy.
4. That the Town Council seek a public meeting in South Kirkby as part of the consultation process which closes on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2011
5. That the Town Council formulates an objection within the timescale of the consultation process.