

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF KNARESBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2006 AT KNARESBOROUGH HOUSE KNARESBOROUGH**

a) 7.00 pm - Presentation by Mr A Willoughby “Engaging with the Gorge”.

PRESENT **Chair:** Councillor P Guest (Mayor)

Councillors: R Aspin, J Cooke, B Hallam, P Godsell, K Hawkins, J Jackson,
R Pearson, D Smith, J Smith, M Smith, C Willoughby & A Wright.

Mr Willoughby reminded members that the new name of the former RMT group was now “Renaissance Knaresborough” and that this group have several projects they would like to pursue. The particular one they would like the members to look at tonight is Waterside.

They are looking at four possibilities of opening up the river for the public.

1. Nanny Goat Hole
2. Viaduct Terrace
3. Weirside Terrace
4. Toilets

Renaissance Knaresborough are looking at sustainable schemes, improving and updating access to the river. This also includes the removal of self seeded trees and plants which at present obstruct the view.

Members of the Council had the opportunity to question Mr Willoughby in more detail. Queries were raised concerning:

1. The clearing of trees and shrubs.
2. The possibility of a balcony out to river.
3. Parking and traffic problems.
4. A maintenance Programme.
5. The worry over possible toilet closures.

The Mayor thanked Mr Willoughby, on behalf of the Council, for his informative presentation.

7.30 pm – Council Meeting: Present: Chair: Councillor P Guest (Mayor)

Councillors: R Aspin, J Cooke, B Hallam, P Godsell, K Hawkins, J Jackson,
R Pearson, D Smith, J Smith, M Smith, C Willoughby & A Wright.

Late Arrivals:

Early Departures:

9977 ITEM 1 - APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Councillors H Lyon and R Hall.

9978 ITEM 2 - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

All declarations are personal, unless otherwise stated.

Councillor P Guest Item 12 – Personal (he is the Mayor)

Councillor J Cooke Item 6 (County Matters Application) – Prejudicial
Item 7b - Prejudicial

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Councillor K Hawkins	Member of HBC – will consider any same item at HBC in the light of any new information. Item 6 (County Matters Application) – Prejudicial Item 7b - Prejudicial
Councillor C Willoughby	Member of HBC – will consider any same item at HBC in the light of any new information. Item 5 - Husband delivered the Presentation.
Councillor J Jackson	Item 10b – lives along Aspin Lane.
Councillor D Smith	Member of HBC – will consider any same item at HBC in the light of any new information.

9979 ITEM 3 - MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD 23 OCTOBER 2006

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 23 October 2006 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair, subject to the following amendments:-

- Minutes page 2629 item 9976 should read number 19 not 15.
- Unpublished Minutes item 9954 wording should read ‘that the recommendation of the meeting was that the minutes of the meeting 10 October 2006 be approved with the exception ...’

9980 ITEM 4 – KTC OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK

None received.

9981 ITEM 5 – MATTERS ARISING FROM PRESENTATION

RESOLVED: 1.Thanks to Mr A Willoughby for the presentation
2.That KTC receive and note the presentation at this stage and look forward to more detailed plans in the future.

9982 ITEM 6 - PLANNING APPLICATIONS

RESOLVED: That observations be made to the Planning Authority upon the planning applications in Knaresborough stated hereunder, as indicated opposite each application:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Details of Application</u>	<u>Observations</u>
06/04933/FUL 56.K*	Mr & Mrs S C Johnson	Conversion of first floor of garage to form additional living accommodation (Revised Scheme) – Abbey Cottage, 49 Abbey Road.	Object, KTC would wish to see a condition attached that if planning permission is granted the property be associated with main dwelling and can not be sold separately.
06/05318/FUL 813.D*	Mr & Mrs M White	Erection of two storey side and rear extension and front porch – 71 Woodpark Drive.	No objections.
06/05405/CLE UD 1661.A.	Nigel & Catherine Pyman	Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for an existing activity in breach of a Planning Condition 3 of Permission 6.100.1661.PA to allow the use of the self-contained flat separate from the main dwelling house – Stonegate House, 51 Boroughbridge Road.	Object – original planning condition stated that it should remain a linked flat or a planning application should be submitted.

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06/04992/FUL 2537.FUL*	Ms Angie Taylor	Erection of two storey side extension, 1 bay window to front elevation, 2 dormer windows and 2 rooflights to rear elevation and conversion of garage to form garden room – 26 Ethel Crescent.	Object – large extension will over balance neighbouring properties and have an adverse effect on amenity of street.
06/05145/FUL 2540.FUL*	Mr & Mrs J Evans	Erection of first floor extension to north elevation – South Close, King James Road.	No objections.
06/05161/FUL 2541.FUL*	Mr J Nixon	Retention of detached garden store – 41 Dentdale Drive.	No objections.
06/05289/FUL 2542.FUL*	Mr C Sorby	Conversion of dwelling to form 4 flats (Site Area 0.04ha) – 2 Waterside.	Object – the proposed development would ruin visual amenity for both tourists and residents. Car parking spaces are extremely difficult to use. Detrimental impact on listed building.
<u>County Matters</u>	NYCC	Proposed erection of a store extension to main primary school building and alterations and extension to playgroup building at Meadowside CP School, Halfpenny Lane.	No objections.

(Councillors J Cooke and K Hawkins declared a prejudicial interest in the above(County Matters Application) and left the Council Chamber for the duration, the Council's subsequent discussion and voting thereon).

* Item for determination by Harrogate Borough Council Head of Planning Services or Head of Planning Services /Chairman of Planning Committee.

** Item for determination by Planning Committee

9983 ITEM 7 - PLANNING MATTERS & CORRESPONDENCE

- a) **Planning Enforcements** - (i) Confidential Papers (*see unpublished minutes*)
(ii) Report of Investigations:-
• 05/00119/PR15 – 49 Kirkgate.

RESOLVED: To Receive & Note.

- b) To note the following **WITHDRAWN** planning applications:
i) 6.100.87.M.FUL – Erection of 3 dwellings (site area 0.04ha) – The Dower House, 48 Bond End.
ii) 6.100.87.N.LB – Listed building application for the erection of 3 dwellings (site area 0.04ha) - The Dower House, 48 Bond End.

RESOLVED: To Receive & Note.

(Councillors J Cooke and K Hawkins declared a prejudicial interest in the above Item 7b and left the Council Chamber for the duration, the Council's subsequent discussion and voting thereon).

9984 ITEM 8(a-b) - HBC PLANNING COMMITTEE – Opportunity to Speak – Tuesday 7 November 2006 at 2.00pm Crescent Gardens, Harrogate.

RESOLVED: That details of the above meeting, at which the following applications relating to Knaresborough are to be heard, be received and noted (No Councillor from KTC to attend).

- a) 6.100.2501.B.FUL – Erection of one detached dwelling and alteration of vehicular access (site area 0.06ha) (Revised Scheme) – Land adjacent to 62 Boroughbridge Road.
b) 6.100.2536.FUL – Erection of 1 retail unit – Land adjacent to 30 High Street.

9985 ITEM 9 – COMMUNICATIONS AND MATTERS ARISING

- a) Knaresborough Green Space Festival – letter dated 18 October 2006 from Mr Culver-Dodds, Chief Executive, NYCE.

RESOLVED: To Receive & Note.

- b) Farmers Market for Knaresborough – e-mail received 18 October 2006 from Otley Town Partnership Secretary & Farmers Market Manager.

RESOLVED: Councillors Hawkins and Godsell to investigate the possibility of a Farmers Market in Knaresborough and report back to KTC.

- c) Jacob Smith Park, Knaresborough – letter dated 19 October 2006 from Head of Parks & Open Spaces, H.BC.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Hawkins go to HBC and ask for a copy of the Will, or permission to read the Will and report back to KTC.

- d) Campaign for the Sustainable Communities Bill – letter received 20 October 2006 from Campaign Organiser, and Campaign Co-ordinator, Local Works.

RESOLVED: To Receive & Note.

- e) November Issue of NY Times – letter dated 26 October 2006 from Chief Executive, NYCC.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk write back and say that the library is a good central venue, but that KTC cannot help out with delivery.

- f) 5th Family Learning Weekend – letter dated 31 October 2006 from Bryan Western, King James's School.

RESOLVED: To Receive & Note.

9985 ITEM 10 - TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING REQUESTED ITEMS

- a) Licensing Act (Minute No. 9976 i) – letter dated 19 October 2006 from Sergeant Crocker, Knaresborough NPT.

Councillor Hawkins produced a written report and requested that Councillors be given the time to read this.

RESOLVED: Defer until next meeting 20 November 2006.

- .b) Resurfacing of Aspin Lane (Minute No. 9976 l) - Councillor J Jackson to report.

Councillor Jackson reported that Aspin Lane, Windsor Lane and Stockwell Drive had all been resurfaced but were of poor quality. Councillor John Smith advised that the process comes in three stages, first the base phase, second the raise iron works and third the top layer.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk write to HBC and request more explicit information for the public in future.

9986 ITEM 11 – STANDARDS SUB COMMITTEE MEETING WEDNESDAY 25 OCTOBER 2006

Councillor A Wright gave the Council a verbal report of the above meeting.

1. Future recommendation is that Councillors will get £25 for attending a meeting, if anyone would like to replace Councillor Wright please let him know.
2. There were only 3 complaints about Councillors, in the Harrogate District, 1 from Knaresborough concerning a declaration of interest, but this was found to be unsubstantiated.

RESOLVED: To Receive & Note.

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9987 ITEM 12 – MAYORAL CAPACITY

(Minute No 9967 d) deferred from meeting 23 October 2006.

Councillor Wright referred to the Bebra Gardens Minutes of 6 July 2006 with a query over point 10.5 'Mayor Bebra Presentation'. Councillor Wright queried the protocol of the Mayor re the visit to Bebra.

RESOLVED: 1. That Standing Orders would produce a protocol.
2. To move to next business

9988 ITEM 13 - ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED: That the accounts for payments, amounting to £319.94 as detailed on Schedule of Accounts No.299 be authorised for payment and the Clerk and two signatory Councillors be authorised to sign the cheques on the Council's account in settlement of the payments concerned (Councillors J Smith & R Aspin signatories).

9989 ITEM 14 - TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS

- (a) Inforegio Newsletter No. 149, September 2006.
- (b) Inforegio – Fourth Progress Report on Cohesion - June 2006.
- (c) 2007/08 Budget Consultation – N.Y. C.C. Budget Consultation Meeting on 13 November 2006, Ripon Town Hall, 6.00pm – 9.00pm.
- (d) Action for Market Towns Yorkshire and the Humber – 'Sharing success to Make Things Happen!' Tuesday 21 November 2006 – Great Ouseburn Village Hall.

RESOLVED: To Receive & Note. (Councillor A Wright to attend NYCC Budget meeting on 13 November and report back to Council.

9990 ITEM 15 - INFORMATION EXCHANGE

- (a) Air Quality Report, Bond End, nitrogen dioxide levels close to exceeding annual mean objective also Railway Station, sulphur dioxide (will review in 2007). (Councillor D Smith)
- (b) Rehearsals for Nativity Play start Tuesday 7th November 2007 (Councillor Aspin)
- (c) Councillor M Smith has another picture of Knaresborough House to donate. (Councillor M Smith)
- (d) Report on HBC Consultation Meeting at Ripon, wait for the Minutes to arrive and item requested an agenda. (Councillor A Wright)
- (e) Change of traffic lights on Stockwell Road Bridge – Chris McGonigle to consult with residents at St Margaret's. Clerk to ask Chris McGonigle for our comments too. (Councillor Willoughby)
- (f) Television programme on Tuesday 8 November 2006 at 7.30 Arnold Kellett on the Dales District. (Councillor Willoughby)
- (g) Councillor Hawkins and Willoughby at a meeting at HBC re wheelie bins, very informative suggest that KTC invites Simon Johnson and Richard Cooper for presentation. (Councillor Hawkins)
- (h) Worry over toilet closure. Toilets near castle, only 1 was unlocked this morning. (Councillor Godsell)
- (i) The Clerk has copies of the August Bilton Conservation Leaflet if Councillors want to read a copy. (Clerk)
- (j) Reminder of Remembrance Sunday, Councillors to meet at 10.30 in the Church Hall of St Johns Parish Church. (Clerk)
- (k) Poppies are available from the Clerks office. (Clerk)

Item of Information Exchange re 'Possible location of Supermarket' (Councillor Hawkins) - it was agreed that this item be taken in confidential session, - (*see unpublished minutes*).

Meeting closed at 9.30 pm.