

**REPORT OF MEETING OF KNARESBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**HELD AT KNARESBOROUGH HOUSE, KNARESBOROUGH**  
**ON MONDAY 10 APRIL 2006**

**PRESENT**    **Chair:** Councillor R Aspin (Mayor)

**Councillors:** J Cooke, P Godsell, P Guest, R Hall, B Hallam, K Hawkins, J Jackson,  
H Lyon, D Smith, J Smith, M Smith, C Willoughby and A Wright.

**Late Arrivals:** None                      **Early Departures:** None

**9767**    **ITEM 1 – APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillor R Pearson.

**9768**    **ITEM 2 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Note: Interests are personal, unless indicated otherwise.

Councillor R Aspin	Item – 5 Planning Application 1909 (Knows Applicant) Item – 7b Member of Jubilee Sub Committee Item – 7c Prejudicial Item – 7d Prejudicial Item – 7h Prejudicial Item – 8 Member of RMT Item – 10c Member of Knaresborough in Bloom
Councillor D Smith	Member of HBC - will reconsider any same item at HBC, in the light of any new information. Item – 7h Prejudicial Item – 8 Member of RMT
Councillor P Godsell	Item – 7h Prejudicial
Councillor K Hawkins	Member of HBC - will reconsider any same item at HBC, in the light of any new information. Member of NYCC Area Committee Item – 7h Prejudicial
Councillor J Cooke	Item - 7h Prejudicial
Councillor C Willoughby	Item – 7c Prejudicial Item – 7d Prejudicial Item – 10c Member of Knaresborough in Bloom
Councillor P Guest	Item - 7b Member of Jubilee Sub Committee Item – 8 Member of RMT Item - 10c Member of Knaresborough in Bloom
Councillor B Hallam	Item – 5 Prejudicial Planning Application 1909
Councillor J Jackson	Item - 7c Employed by LEA Item – 7d Prejudicial

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- Councillor A Wright      Item - 7c Daughter at Manor School at present  
    Item - 7d Daughter will be going to Castle School in September
- Councillor M Smith      Item – 10c Member of Knaresborough in Bloom
- Councillor J Smith      Member of HBC - will reconsider any same item at HBC,  
    in the light of any new information.  
    Item – 5 Planning Application 764 Knows Applicant  
    Item – 7b Member of Jubilee Sub Committee  
    Item – 7h Prejudicial

**9769 ITEM 3 - MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD 27 MARCH 2006**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 27 March 2006 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair, subject to the following amendment: item 9753 date should read 13 March 2006. Councillor M Smith pointed out that her declaration of interest had been omitted ‘Member of Knaresborough in Bloom’.

**9770 ITEM 4 – OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK**

None received.

**9771 ITEM 5 – 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>
649.G.LB*	N Hill	Listed building application for the conversion of first, second and third floors to form two dwellings with demolition of single storey rear extension and internal staircase, erection of external staircase, formation of external door and window and various internal and external works – 59a High Street	No Objections
764.F.TPO*	Mr G Lane	Felling of 1 Beech Tree within area A11 of Tree Preservation Order 1/1959 – The Abbey, Abbey Road	No Objections
1091.D.LB*	Mr & Mrs J Denton	Listed building application for the retention of boundary fence 49 Kirkgate.	No Objections
1091.E.FUL*	Mr & Mrs J Denton	Retention of boundary fence - 49 Kirkgate.	No Objections
1151.D.FUL*	Mr & Mrs Nilsted	Erection of single storey front and side extension – 5 Fossdale Close.	No Objections
1614.AS.FU LMAJ*	Lapicida (Stone Production) Ltd	Erection of warehouse and showroom with associated parking and access and 2 m high pallsade fencing – Grimbald Crag Close, St James Retail Business and Industrial Park.	No Objections
1629.J.LB*	James Nimmo	Listed building application for the conversion of two dwellings into one dwelling with the removal of 3 internal walls, formation of 2 internal walls, 6 openings and blocking up of 2 doorways – 4/6 High Bond End.	Object – 1 Large building would be less visually attractive than the present smaller cottages.
<i>(Councillor Hallam declared a prejudicial interest in the below item, left the Chamber and took no part in the voting or discussion thereon)</i>			
1909.C.FUL**	Mrs G Warner	Demolition of detached dwelling and erection of 4 dwellings (2 x 3 bed and 2 x 4 bed) with new vehicular access (Revised Scheme) (Site Area 0.16ha) – 1 Wetherby Road.	Object – Over intensive, concerns over access onto Wetherby Road
<i>(Councillor Hallam returned to the Chamber)</i>			
2434.B.FUL*	Mr L Andrew	Erection of two storey side and single storey front extensions (Revised Scheme) – 15 Farndale Road.	Object – Would result in the loss of amenity for neighbours

2472.A.FUL*	Mr & Mrs Cardani	Erection of single storey side and rear extensions (Revised Scheme) – 16 Tentergate Gardens	Object – constitute an unattractive long, solid wall
2493.FUL*	Mr A and Mrs B Spencer	Erection of replacement attached garage with first floor extension and side conservatory – 1 Aspin Avenue.	No Objections
2494.FUL*	Mr & Mrs L Escott	Erection of single storey front & side extension – 10 Chain Lane.	No Objections

\* Item for determination by Head of Planning Services or Head of Planning Services/Chairman of Planning Cttee.

\*\* Item for determination by Planning Cttee.

## **9772 ITEM 6 - PLANNING MATTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

### **a) Planning Enforcements - Report of Investigations:**

- i) 06/00119/PR15 – Scriven Women’s Institute, Park Avenue.
- ii) 06/00008/PR15 – Meat & Poultry Processing Factory, Waterside.
- iii) 06/00111/PR15 – Three Gates Farm, Cass Lane.

### **b) Notices of Appeals: re HBC’s Refusal of Planning Permission.**

- (i) 6.100.2072.A.FUL – Erection of 1 dormer window to rear and 1 dormer to window to side – 3 Tentergate Road. *Note: KTC comments – “No objections”.*
- (ii) 6.100.2211.B.FUL – Retention of siting of static caravan used as dwelling for one gypsy family and associated hard standing (site area 0.09ha) – Land comprising part of OS field No. 5710 Cass Lane. *Note: KTC comments – Object on the same grounds as previously submitted for planning application 2211.A; - The proposed development would be in the Green Belt and therefore contrary to policy and set an unwelcome precedent for further such development.*

### **c) To note the following **WITHDRAWN** planning application:**

- i) 6.100.2490.FUL – Erection of two storey side and single storey rear extensions to replace attached garage. – 24 Ethel Crescent.

### **d) HBC Planning Committee – Opportunity to Speak – Tuesday 11 April 2006 at 2.00 pm Crescent Gardens, Harrogate (note: no applications relating to Knaresborough).**

**RESOLVED:.** To receive and note

## **9773 ITEM 7 – COMMUNICATIONS AND MATTERS ARISING**

### **a) **Licensing Act 2003** – Role of Parish and Town Councils – letter received 8 March 2006 from Licensing Manager, HBC - (deferred from previous meeting 27 March 2006).**

**RESOLVED:.** To defer again so that Councillor Cooke and the Clerk can draft a letter to Gareth Bentley to clarify his interpretation of the Licensing Act.

### **b) **Jubilee Pavilion, Castle Grounds, Knaresborough****

- (i) Letter dated 7 March 2006 from Mr T Maude.
- (ii) Letter (via e-mail) dated 31 March 2006 from Head of Museums & Arts, HBC.

**RESOLVED:.** That both of these items be considered by KTC’s Performance Area Committee.

### **c) **Castle Junior School** – letter dated 22 March 2006 from Head teacher.**

*(Councillors Aspin, and Willoughby, declared a prejudicial interest in the above item, left the Chamber and took no part in the voting or discussion thereon)*

**RESOLVED:.** To receive and note

### **d) **Proposed merger of Manor Infant & Castle Junior School** – letter dated 29 March 2006.**

*(Councillor Jackson declared a prejudicial interest in the above item, left the Chamber and took no part in the voting or discussion thereon)*

**RESOLVED:.** That Councillor Wright draft a letter to NYCC asking:-

- i, What exactly the reasons are for the merger
- ii, How many Knaresborough Children receive education outside Knaresborough

*(Councillors Aspin, Willoughby and Jackson returned to the Chamber)*

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- e) **“Our Plans for your ‘Local Tip’ – Household Waste Recycling Centre Policies”** – letter dated 22 March 2006 from Waste Policy Officer.

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note

- f) **Review of Contracted Bus Services** – letter dated 23 March 2006 from Public Transport Manager, NYCC.

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note.

- g) **Getting to Grips with the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 – a parish council guide to environmental enforcement.**

**RESOLVED:** To send off for the publication.

- h) **Knaresborough/Bebra Town Twinning Request for Grant Funding 2006/2007**

*(Councillors Aspin, Godsell, Hawkins, Cooke, D Smith and J Smith, declared a prejudicial interest in the above item, left the Chamber and took no part in the voting or discussion thereon)*

**RESOLVED:** To award Bebra Town Twinning with a grant of £500 for the year 2006/7.

*(Councillors Aspin, Godsell, Hawkins, Cooke, D Smith and J Smith returned to the Chamber)*

**9774 ITEM 8 - RENAISSANCE MARKET TOWN INITIATIVE**

Councillor Hall informed Councillors that a grant of £10,000 is available for match funding for the next 3 years.

**RESOLVED:** To put forward the surfacing for vehicles at St Robert’s Cave, using cobbles from the town centre, subject to availability.

**9775 ITEM 9 - TO CONSIDER ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AS PER SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS 285**

**RESOLVED:** That the accounts for payments, amounting to as detailed on Schedule of Accounts No.285 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).

**9776 ITEM 10 - TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS**

- a) Public Sector Seminar Programme – Spring & Summer 2006.
- b) Local Works – Campaign for the Sustainable Communities – Spring 2006 Broadsheet.
- c) Knaresborough in Bloom – Minutes of AGM and Committee meeting held 21 February 2006.
- d) NALC “Local Vision” Conference, London 1-2 June 2006 (cost £280 or £130 (day delegate)).

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note.

**9777 ITEM 11 - INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

- a) The Mayor’s Charity Buffet Supper – 29<sup>th</sup> April Black tie event – tickets £25 (Councillor Aspin)
- b) Nidd Gorge Charity, has received Lottery Money - £4,000 (Councillor Aspin)
- c) HBC Planning Committee, Officer’s recommendation on Thistle Hill football pitches has been overturned, application will now go to Secretary of State. (Councillor J Smith)
- d) Raw Gap – Rail Track erection of new fence, gap at one end (Stockwell Road), Clerk to advise HBC. (Councillor Wright)
- e) ‘I am fed up of being ignored, just because I don’t scream/shout as oppose to other councillors, I’d like it minuted’ Councillor Jackson
- f) ATM went very well, everybody very supportive. Councillor Guest.
- g) Request for Blind Jack statue to be on next agenda. Councillor Willoughby.
- h) Offer of support/help from Knaresborough Lions for Christmas Carols – procession/torches (Councillor Hall)

**The Meeting closed at 8.52 pm.**