

REPORT OF MEETING OF KNARESBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL
HELD AT KNARESBOROUGH HOUSE, KNARESBOROUGH
ON MONDAY 10 OCTOBER 2005

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

Councillors R J Pearson, J Jackson, P Godsell, P Guest, R Hall, K Hawkins, H Lyon,
 J A Smith, D Smith, and A J Wright.

Early Departures: None

9494 **ITEM 1 - APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillors C Willoughby (unspecified), J L Cooke (unwell), B Hallam (work commitments) and M Smith (work commitments)

9495 **ITEM 2 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Note: Interests are personal, unless indicated otherwise.

Councillor R Aspin	Item 10 - Member of RMT Town Team Item 14a–Employee of Revenue and Customs
Councillor J Smith	Member of Harrogate Borough Council (HBC) – will reconsider any same item at HBC, in the light of any new information. Chair of Area No. 2 Development Control Committee. Item 10 - Member of RMT Town Team
Councillor D Smith	Member of HBC – will reconsider any same item at HBC, in the light of any new information.
Councillor K Hawkins	Member of HBC – will reconsider any same item at HBC, in the light of any new information. Item 7 – Substitute member of Area No. 2 Development Control Committee.
Councillor P. Guest	Item 10 - Member of RMT Town Team/ISG (transport).
Councillor J Jackson	Item 6d – Employee of NYCC
Councillor H Lyon	Item 8a – Employee of Harrogate Hospital Trust
Councillor A. Wright	Item 8f – Owner of flats in Knaresborough

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9496 ITEM 3 - MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD 26 SEPTEMBER 2005

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 26 September 2005 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair, subject to the following amendments –

1. *Minute 9489 to read : - a)* That Councillor R Hall be nominated as the KTC representative to attend *all meetings* of the Interim Steering Group and *b)* that *Councillor R Hall* be requested to support KTC policy of seeking a number of Knaresborough Councillors on the resulting RMT body.

2. *Minute 9481 (unpublished) to read : - boundary nearest to the ..*

9497 ITEM 4 – OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK

i) Mr J Mazzucchi (local resident) re Item 8d – proposed traffic lights at St Margaret's Road/Stockwell Road Junction.

Mr Mazzucchi spoke of the high number of accidents occurring at the junction of St Margaret's Road and Stockwell Road and referred members to their previous consideration of a proposed traffic light scheme at this location (Council, 2 August 2004). Subsequent discussion related to the history of accidents at the junction and the potential benefits and disadvantages of various road safety schemes

9498 ITEM 8d - JUNCTION OF ST MARGERET'S ROAD/STOCKWELL ROAD

Ref: - Letter dated 26 September 2005 from Mr Mazzucchi.

RESOLVED:

1. That the Town Council request a presentation by Mr Chris McGonigle, Traffic Engineer at HBC, regarding the options for road safety schemes in the vicinity of St Margaret's Road/Stockwell Road.
2. That Mr Mazzucchi be advised of the date of 1. above.

9499 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>
298.P.ADV*	Knaresborough Toyota Ltd	Display of 4 internally illuminated fascia signs to front and rear elevation, 2 non-illuminated fascia signs to front elevation and internally illuminated free standing 2.5m high sign – York Road.	Object – the proposed illuminated signs, particularly sign 3 (rear) would have a detrimental impact upon the amenity of residents in the nearby caravan park.

(Minute 9499 cont.)

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1491.Q.FUL**	Britannia Development	Erection of 7 dwellings (site area 0.3 ha) (Revised Scheme) – Land between 62 & 80 Boroughbridge Road.	No objection
2312.B.OUT. MAJ*	St James Securities	Outline application for the formation of infrastructure and associated earthworks to serve industrial units – Phase 2 Land at Grid Reference 436776/456515 St James Retail, Business & Industrial Park.	No objection
2460.A.FUL*	Mr & Mrs Wakeham	Erection of 2 storey extension incorporating replacement double garage to south elevation and single storey extension to north elevation (Revised Scheme) – 8 Abbey Mill Gardens.	No objection
2468.FUL*	Mrs S Torrieo	Erection of rear conservatory – 44 Frogmire Road.	No objection

* Item for determination by Head of Planning Services or Head of Planning Services/Chairman of Area 2 DC Committee.

** Item for determination by Area 2 DC Committee.

9500 ITEM 6a –APPLICATION WITHDRAWN

6.100.214.D.FUL – Erection of 1st floor extension to create 1 additional dwelling (site area 0.01ha) – Spring Cottage, Kirkgate. To note application **WITHDRAWN**. (*KTC observation: No objections*).

RESOLVED: To receive and note.

9501 ITEM 6b – APPEAL DISMISSED

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 – Appeal by Mr R J Levine
6.100.1331.E.FUL – Erection of 1st floor to form 1 dwelling with two storey side extension to form entrance for new dwelling, pitched roof over existing flat roof and two storey front extension to form new entrance for existing flats (Revised Scheme) (Site Area 0.063 ha) – Former Dental Clinic, Chain Lane – To note **APPEAL DISMISSED**.

RESOLVED: To receive and note.

9502 ITEM 6c– HARROGATE DISTRICT IN 2021?

Ref - Plan The Future With Us: Harrogate District in 2021? Consultation newspaper.

RESOLVED: To respond to the Director of Development Services, HBC commenting that the Town Council considers that Knaresborough is being asked to take more than its fair share of housing. Whilst the Council recognises the need for affordable housing this should reflect actual need in the Town and the necessary infrastructure be provided in tandem with any housing development.

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9503 ITEM 6d – KNAESBOROUGH LIBRARY – COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE

Ref - letter dated 20 September 2005 from Service Head, Commercial & Development, NYCC and KTC Minute 9405.

RESOLVED: To respond to the Service Head, Commercial & Development, NYCC to

1. Convey the Town Council's support for the proposed refurbishment of Knaresborough Library, to provide a Community Resource Centre, with the exception of the proposed café, which is considered not to be a function of a library/resource centre and would compete with other such facilities in the Market Place.
2. Confirm the Council's objection to the proposed corporate colour scheme to the Library frontage, as this is considered to be not in keeping with the historic market place in which it is situated.

9504 ITEM 7 – OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK, HBC PLANNING No. DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE – 11 OCTOBER 2005.

- a) Ref - 6.100.133.F.OUT – Outline application for the erection of 1 dwelling, with siting and access considered (Revised Scheme) (Site Area 0.05 ha) – The Pines, 11 Wetherby Road.
- b) 6.100.1183.D.CO.U – Change of use from bus depot (Class Sui Generis) to vehicle recovery and temporary storage depot (Class B2). – Diesel LPG Ltd (Formerly Wrays Coaches – Harrogate District Travel) Manse Lane.
- c) 6.100.2449.FULMAJ – Erection of 10 dwellings to replace existing garages and storage buildings (site area 0.074ha) – Meadley Square, Whiteleys Yard.
- d) 6.100.2463.FUL – Erection of extension to form one additional attached dwelling – 2 Princess Avenue

RESOLVED:

1. That Councillor M Smith attend the meeting of Planning No.2 Development Control Committee, on 11 October 2005, with regards to application b) above (6.100.1183.D)
2. That the withdrawal of application d) above (6.100.2463.FUL) be noted.

9505 ITEM 8a – PARKING CHARGES AT HARROGATE DISTRICT HOSPITAL

Ref - letter dated 16 August from Ripon City Council 2005 from Clerk to the Council.

RESOLVED: To write to Harrogate District Hospital in support of Ripon City Council.

(Note: Councillor Wright voted against the above resolution)

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9506 ITEM 8b– MEMBERS CODE OF CONDUCT

Ref - Introduction for Parish Councillors – letter dated 9 September 2005 from Monitoring Officer, HBC.

RESOLVED: To receive and note.

9507 ITEM 8c – PARISH ESTIMATES, 2006/2007

Ref – letter dated 19 September 2005 from Strategic Finance Manager, HBC

RESOLVED: To receive and note.

ITEM 8d- JUNCTION OF ST MARGERET’S ROAD/STOCKWELL ROAD

(See minute 9498)

9508 ITEM 8e – PARISH COUNCILS MEETING – 7 SEPTEMBER 2005

Ref – Football Pitches Knaresborough – letter dated 30 September 2005 from Director of Community Services, HBC.

RESOLVED: To respond to the Director of Community Services, HBC with the following comments;

1. The Thistle Hill site is away from the main population centre of Knaresborough and therefore within walking distance for a limited number of users
2. The Thistle Hill site would not be community owned and therefore subject to restrictions on access/use
3. The Council considers that, despite the proposed development at Thistle Hill, there is still a need for more pitches in Knaresborough, for local people to play on, which the upgrade of the pitch at King George V Field would meet in part,
4. Development for sports pitch provision on land at Hay-a-Park should incorporate two football pitches, to meet local demand in an accessible location.

9509 ITEM 9 – CHRISTMAS LIGHTS WORKING GROUP – REPORT OF MEETING

Ref - Minutes and Recommendations of Christmas Lights Working Group – Meeting held 26 September 2005. *Clerk’s report circulated at meeting.*

RESOLVED: That, due to the financial and contractual nature of the business concerned, it would be considered in confidential session and subject to the provisions of Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (as amended) the meeting be not open to members of the public (see unpublished minute).

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9510 ITEM 10 – RENAISSANCE MARKET TOWN INITIATIVE

- a) Councillor R. Hall's report on the meeting of the Interim Steering Group (ISG) held 3 October 2005.

Councillor R Hall advised that the ISG is to meet a further three times, during October and November 2005, at which he would act as the KTC 'mouthpiece'.

RESOLVED: To thank Councillor R Hall for his verbal report and receive and note his comments.

- b) Clerk to report on Sponsor Group Meeting held 5 October 2005

The Clerk advised that HBC had recognised the Charters for the RMT Delivery and Business Plans and that NYCC were expected to do the same in the following weeks. The Council was reminded of the need to consider the same Plans and how it wished to formally recognise these.

RESOLVED: To request a presentation by WSP consultants, at a separate meeting of the Town Council, to consider the RMT Business and Delivery Plans (prospective date of 14 November 2005).

9511 ITEM 11 – KTC OFFICE MANAGEMENT

RESOLVED: That, with reference to KTC Standing Order No.10, the Clerk's report be considered in confidential session and subject to the provisions of Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (as amended) the meeting be not open to members of the public (see unpublished minute).

9512 ITEM 12 – KNARESBOROUGH HOUSE, HBC PROPOSED TENANCY AND MANAGEMENT AGREEMENTS

The Clerk advised that, further to an initial review and meeting, the agreements had been returned to HBC for revision. A further report on proposed terms will be presented to the Council for its consideration, on receipt of amended terms.

RESOLVED: To receive and note the Clerk's verbal report.

9513 ITEM 13 – DOCUMENTS RECEIVED

- a) Revenue & Customs – Employer's Bulletin Issue 21, October 2005.

9514 ITEM 14 – INFORMATION EXCHANGE

- a) Leeds Business Advice Open Day – 9 November 2005 at Royal Armouries Museum.
b) REMINDER: Local Development Framework. Consultation Workshop 7-9pm 11 October 2005. Travel growth options for Harrogate & Knaresborough, Crescent Gardens, Harrogate.
c) Arrangements for Remembrance Day Service – Sunday 13 November 2005
d) Knaresborough Town Council Newsletter – Issue 4, September 2005.
e) NYCC Area Committee – 12 October 2005.

(Minute 9514 cont)

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- f) CE Electrical – Vegetation Clearance – Breakfast Seminars, invite to attend.
- g) Mayor's Coffee Morning – Saturday 15 October 2005, Holy Trinity Church.
- h) Council meeting, 24 October 2005 – to note apologies from Chair and Deputy.
- i) CCTV AGM – 11 October 2005, Councillor Jackson to attend.
- j) Frazer Theatre Coffee Morning – 15 October 2005.
- k) Councillor Aspin's successful visit to Bebra, Germany (September – October 2005).

The Meeting closed at 10.07pm