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9433 ITEM 3 - MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD 31 AUGUST 2005

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 31 August 2005 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

9434 ITEM 4 – OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK

i) Ms B Asquith regarding a proposed statue of ‘Blind Jack’. (See 8a).

Ms Asquith referred members to recent press articles and her correspondence relating to a proposal for a statue in Knaresborough to commemorate ‘Blind Jack’ (See 8a). The perceived benefits of such a statue (a seated figure in bronze), to residents and visitors, were highlighted. Ms Asquith outlined her experience of work to date as a sculptress and contributor to local arts events.

A number of questions and answers followed, regarding materials, costs, funding and siting of the statue.

9435 ITEM 8a –STATUE TO ‘BLIND JACK’

Ref - Statue to commemorate ‘Blind Jack’ – letter dated 13 July 2005 from Ms B Asquith.

RESOLVED: i That the proposal to develop a statue to commemorate ‘Blind Jack’ be considered at the next meeting of the Council (26.9.05).

ii) That the thanks of the Council be conveyed to Ms Asquith for her presentation.

9436 ITEM 4 – OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK

ii) Mr K Frost regarding planning application 6.100.2463.FUL

Mr Frost referred members to 7 letters of objection, from neighbouring residents, regarding the proposed development of an additional, attached dwelling at 2 Princess Avenue. (*Letters received that evening and displayed in the Council Chamber*). On behalf of concerned local residents, Mr Frost summarised their objections and referred to an increase in density, change in character, incorrect plans, impact upon the amenity of residents at 76 and 78 Chain Lane and parking difficulties.

RESOLVED: Object to planning application 6.100.2463.FUL on the following 3 grounds: -

1. The proposed dwelling would detrimentally change the character of the area, which is of semi-detached dwellings with reasonable sized gardens.
2. The scale of the proposed development is over-intensive for the size of the site.
3. The scale of the proposed development and its proximity to the site boundary will detrimentally affect the amenity of residents on Chain Lane.

(Note: Agenda item 4ii, Ms A. Farmer re Blue Plaque scheme deferred to Council meeting on 26.9.05)

2437 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:

**Councillor R Hall declared a prejudicial interest in planning application 2435.FUL, left the Council Chamber and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.*

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Details of Application</u>	<u>Observations</u>
1183.D.COUC*	S & H Recovery Service Ltd.	Change of use from bus depot (Class Sui Generis) to vehicle recovery and temporary storage depot (Class B2) – Diesel LPG Ltd. (Formerly Wray's Coaches – Harrogate District Travel) Manse Lane.	Object – The nature of operations and the size of vehicles recovered has resulted in an over-intensive use of the site, to the detriment of neighbouring residents amenity.
2435.A.FUL	Richard Hall	Erection of two storey side extension (revised scheme) – 2 Grimbald Road.	No objection
2462.FUL*	Mr & Mrs Guest	Erection of single storey rear extension – 17 Scotton Drive.	No objection
2463.FUL**	Mr & Mrs A Hetherington	Erection of extension to form one additional attached dwelling – 2 Princess Avenue.	Object on the following 3 grounds – 1. The proposed dwelling would detrimentally change the character of the area, which is of semi-detached dwellings with reasonable sized gardens. 2. The scale of the proposed development is over-intensive for the size of the site. 3. The scale of the proposed development and its proximity to the site boundary will detrimentally affect the amenity of residents on Chain Lane.
2464.TPO*	Mr Robinson	Crown reduce to 1 Horse Chestnut Tree, 1 Sycamore Tree and 1 Cherry Tree within area A1 of Tree Preservation Order 2/1984 – Woodside Cottage, 1 Boroughbridge 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.

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9438 ITEM 6a – PLANNING ENFORCEMENTS

RESOLVED: i) To receive and note (See unpublished minute)

9439 ITEM 6b –APPEAL DECISION

Councillor A Wright declared a prejudicial interest, in Item 6b, left the Council Chamber and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

Ref – Town and Country Planning Act 1990 – Appeal by Mr J Fisher, former Timber Yard, Hambleton Grove. (Planning Ref. 6.100.2085.B.FULMAJ – Erection of 3 storey building to form 61 bed nursing home, single storey service building, car parking for 19 cars and associated landscaping works (Revised Scheme) – To note **APPEAL DISMISSED.**

RESOLVED: To receive and note.

9440 ITEM 7 – OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK, HBC Planning No. 2 Development Control Committee –13 September 2005

Ref - 6.100.2456.OUT – Outline application for the erection of 1 detached dwelling with siting considered (site area 0.009 ha) – 29 Park Avenue.

RESOLVED: To receive and note.

ITEM 8a –STATUE TO ‘BLIND JACK’ (see minute 9435)

9441 ITEM 8b – REGISTRATION OF TITLE

Ref – letter dated 24 August 2005 from New Business Team, Land Registry, York Office.

RESOLVED: i) to register the Town Council allotments site.

ii) The Clerk to investigate the position relating to ownership and registration of the King George V Field and report back to the Council.

9442 ITEM 8c – 20 mph SPEED LIMIT ON WETHERBY ROAD

Ref - letter dated 26 August 2005 from Head of Transport, HBC and KTC minute 9384.

RESOLVED: To receive and note.

9443 ITEM 8d – KNARESBOROUGH CIVIC SOCIETY – BLUE PLAQUE SCHEME

Ref – letter dated 1 September 2005 from Ms A Farmer, Chair, Knaresborough C.S.

(Note: Deferred to the next Council meeting on 26.9.05 – apologies submitted by Ms Farmer)

9444 ITEM 8e – AWARDS FOR ALL PRESENTATIONS

Ref – letter dated 1 September 2005 from Senior Sports Development Officer, HBC.

RESOLVED: Councillor P Godsell attend the presentation on 8 February 2006, as the Town Council representative.

9445 ITEM 8f – HARROGATE SET TO GET SECOND HOUSEHOLD WASTE RECYCLING CENTRE (HWRC)

Ref – Press release from NYCC received 5 September 2005.

RESOLVED: i) Write to the Assistant Director, Waste Management, NYCC and County Councillor Clare Wood expressing the Town Council's strongest concern that the long standing requirement for a HWRC in Knaresborough has been overlooked, in favour of Harrogate, and requesting a personal explanation of the current position at a meeting of the Town Council.

ii) Request the Clerk submit a report to the Council regarding the holding of a referendum, on the provision of a HWRC in Knaresborough, and publication of the names and contact details of County Councillors who voted on the provision of a second site in Harrogate, in the next KTC newsletter.

9446 ITEM 9a – CONYNGHAM HALL CAR PARK

Ref – (Minute 9424) Councillors to report on site meeting held 5 September 2005.

Councillor J Smith and K Hawkins gave a verbal report on the matters considered, at the above site meeting, and recommended the introduction of speed humps and suitably sited boulders to deter anti-social behaviour.

RESOLVED: To request the Head of Transport at HBC introduce speed humps and suitably sited boulders, on the grassed car park area at Conyngham Hall (open March to September), to deter anti-social car movements.

9447 ITEM 9b – HBC STANDARDS SUB COMMITTEE

Ref - Meeting of the Standards Sub-Committee, 6 September 2005. Councillor A Wright to report (pending Minutes).

Note: No matters to report

9448 ITEM 9c – HBC/KTC ANNUAL PARISH CONSULTATION

Ref – Councillors to report on meeting held 7 September 2005 (pending minutes).

RESOLVED: To wait the receipt of minutes of the above meeting.

9449 ITEM 9d – KNARESBOROUGH SILVER BAND (KSB) - BOXING DAY TUG OF WAR

Ref - Minute 9392. Clerk to report.

The Clerk gave a verbal summary of her discussion, with Mr D Tankard of the KSB. Mr Tankard had indicated that the KSB were willing to play, at the Tug-of-War event, but that at present there did not appear to be a suitable and safe surface on which to do so.

RESOLVED: The Clerk write to the Half Moon and Mother Shipton's public houses suggesting they may wish to contact the Knaresborough Lions and Head of Music at King James's School regarding the provision of music at the Boxing Day Tug-of-War event.

9450 ITEM 9e – KING GEORGE V FIELD

Ref - Councillors to report on meeting held 2 September with Head of Parks, HBC.

Councillor A Wright verbally reported that the Head of Parks had identified the maintenance cost, on an improved playing pitch, would be an additional £2,900 per annum (in addition to current maintenance costs). Councillors had requested this cost be reviewed and the Head of Parks report back to the Council.

RESOLVED: i) To receive and note Councillor A Wright's verbal report.

ii) To request a presentation and consultation on the proposals for sports development on land at Hay-a-Park (former piggeries site) by the Sports Development Officer (Mark Hardcastle) and Portfolio Holder (Councillor P Jones), HBC.

ITEM 9f – KTC OFFICE MANAGEMENT

Ref – Clerk to report. Confidential item, reference KTC Standing Order 10.

Note: Considered in confidential session, following item 14 (see unpublished minutes).

9451 ITEM 10 – FRIENDS OF BEBRA GARDENS

Ref – Councillor A Wright to report.

Councillor A Wright expressed his concerns regarding the establishment of a 'Friends of' Group.

RESOLVED: To note Councillor A Wright's concerns.

9452 ITEM 11a and b – RENAISSANCE MARKET TOWN INITIATIVE

Ref – Knaresborough RMT Initial Business Plans (*extract circulated with agenda papers*).

RESOLVED: That KTC members of the Town Team report back to Council, following the meeting of the Interim Steering Group on 15 September 2005 (See minute 9412).

9453 ITEM 12- APPLICATION FOR LICENCE

Ref – Application for Transfer of Justices Licence from Stuart Charles Johnson to Mr Andrew Smith, Jacksons Stores Limited.

RESOLVED: No objection.

9454 ITEM 13 – DOCUMENTS RECEIVED

The Chair reported that the following documents had been received and were available for inspection in the Clerk's Office:

- a) Inforegio News, June and July 2005.
- b) Health Matters – Newsletter from the Harrogate & Rural District PCT August 2005.
- c) Nidd Gorge Local Heritage Initiative – Minutes of meeting held summer 2005.
- d) HBC, Local Development Framework – Consultation Meetings.
- e) Standards Board for England – Newsletter.
- f) Knaresborough/Bebra Town Twinning Committee Report 12 July 2005.

RESOLVED: To receive and note the above documents.

9455 ITEM 14 – INFORMATION EXCHANGE

- a) Knaresborough in Bloom Awards Evening on 16 September 2005 – invitation to Councillors to attend.
- b) Yorkshire in Bloom, Summer Judging - results to be announced on 13 September 2005, Sheffield (Councillor R Aspin to attend).
- c) Training for Councillors and Clerks – Reminder of event on 28 September 2005 and notice of further event on 20 October 2005 (details to Council on 26. September 2005).

9456 ITEM 9f - KTC OFFICE MANAGEMENT

Ref – Clerk to report. Confidential item, reference KTC Standing Order 10.

(*See unpublished minutes*)

The Meeting closed at 9.33pm