

**REPORT OF MEETING OF KNARESBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**HELD AT KNARESBOROUGH HOUSE, KNARESBOROUGH**  
**ON MONDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2006**

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

**Councillors**   P Godsell, R Hall, B Hallam, H Lyon, R Pearson, D Smith (7.10 pm), M Smith, J Smith (7.10pm), C Willoughby and A Wright.

*A warm welcome was given to the new Clerk, Nicola Kuehn.*

**7.00pm (Council Chamber) – Mr T. Cerexhe Director of Music “FEVA”.**

Mr Cerexhe explained the ethos of Feva - a non-profit making organisation, which aims to make the events it organises available and affordable to all. Mr Cerexhe described Feva as having a well-balanced programme. He drew attention to several forthcoming events, but explained that Feva’s main limitation is that Knaresborough has no large indoor venue which would provide greater revenue from ticket sales. Mr Cerexhe asked if KTC would consider match funding a £1,500 donation toward street entertainment.

After the presentation Councillors were able to question Mr Cerexhe on Feva’s statement of accounts for the year ended 31 October 2005. Mr Cerexhe was thanked for his attendance.

**COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7.30 PM**

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

**Councillors**   P Godsell, R Hall, B Hallam, H Lyon, R Pearson, D Smith, J Smith, M Smith, C Willoughby and A Wright.

**Late Arrivals:** None

**Early Departures:** None

**9699 ITEM 1 - APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillors P Guest (health reasons) J Cooke & K Hawkins, (prior commitments) and J Jackson (holiday).

**9700 ITEM 2 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Note: Interests are personal, unless indicated otherwise.

Councillor R Aspin	Item 3a – Friend of Feva and work colleague of Mr Cerexhe Item 9b - Prejudicial Item 10 – Member of RMT Town Team.
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Councillor D Smith	Member of HBC – will reconsider any same item at HBC, in the light of any new information. Item 8b -Member of HBC Licensing Committee
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Councillor C Willoughby	Item 9b – prejudicial.
Councillor H Lyon	Item 9a - Employed by H and D NHS Trust
Councillor A Wright	Item 9b - Daughter at one of the schools involved
Councillor J Smith	Member of HBC – will reconsider any same item at HBC, in the light of any new information. Item 8b -Member of HBC Licensing Committee

**9701 ITEM 3 - PRESENTATION PRECEDING COUNCIL MEETING (FEVA)**

**RESOLVED:** That a grant of £1,500 be awarded to FEVA 2006.

**9702 ITEM 4 - MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD 30 JANUARY 2006**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 30 January 2006 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

**9703 ITEM 5 – OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK**

- a) Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust – Public Governors Mr John Forster and Mrs Pat Hewitson.

Mr Forster explained that both he and Mrs Hewitson were public governors for Harrogate Hospital and that they were here to be of service to the people of Knaresborough. He expanded on the written report he had submitted and invited Councillors and members of the public to raise through the Governors any concerns they might have.

**9704 ITEM 9a – HARROGATE AND DISTRICT NHS FOUNDATION TRUST – PUBLIC GOVERNORS**

Ref – Opportunity to Speak by Mr John Forster and Mrs Pat Hewitson

**RESOLVED:** To suspend Standing Orders to allow Mr John Forster and Mrs Pat Hewitson to speak.

The following issues were raised: parking charges and exemptions (need for greater publicity and improved ways of communication), waiting lists, implications of charging for the new Dermatology Unit and concerns over ward care. Mr Forster and Mrs Hewitson welcomed Councillors' comments, which they would take forward to future Foundation Trust meetings.

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That a vote of thanks be given to the Governors for their attendance and informative presentation

**9705 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:

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<u>Ref</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Details of Application</u>	<u>Observations</u>
187.J.REM*	Mr E Collings	Reserved matters application under outline permission 6.100.187.H.OUT for the erection of 1 detached dwelling with siting, design, external appearance and landscaping considered (site area 0.147ha) – Land at grid ref. 434975/456075 North West of Thistledown, Well Lane, Calcutt.	Object on the grounds that KTC would not wish the entrance to be altered nor the wall removed.
560.C.FUL*	Mr & Mrs R Hodgson	Erection of single storey rear extension and bay with first floor balcony – Gallon House, 47 Kirkgate.	KTC concluded that the plans were ambiguous. They would wish to object if there is any increase in the overhang from the sun room and bay/balcony above Gallon steps.
1221.E.LB*	Mr Colin Statham	Listed building application for the removal of internal wall and repositioning of the staircase and various other internal alterations – The Moat Café, Castle Yard.	No objections
2066.D.FUL**	N and P Powell	Erection of 1 dwelling and detached double garage (site area 0.07ha) (Alternative scheme to 6.100.2066.B.FUL) – Land to rear of Brampton, 23 Crag Lane.	No objections
2486.FUL*	Mr Harper	Erection of single storey side extension and detached garage – 60 Chain Lane.	No objections
2847.FUL*	Rollo Home and Kate Burrough	Erection of rear conservatory – 10 Bond End.	No objections
2847.A.LB*	Rollo Home and Kate Burrough	Listed building application for the erection of rear conservatory and internal alterations including the removal of 1 door and installation of 1 double door – 10 Bond End.	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.

**9706 ITEM 7a PLANNING ENFORCEMENTS**

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note the following :

- i) Confidential Papers – see unpublished minutes.

**9707 ITEM 7a – HBC PLANNING COMMITTEE – TUESDAY, 14 FEBRUARY 2006 - 2.00pm AT CRESCENT GARDENS, HARROGATE.**

There being no applications relating to Knaresborough, it was:-

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note.

**9708 ITEM 8a – BLUE PLAQUE SCHEME**

Ref. letter dated 23 January 2006 from Chief Planner (Forward Planning), HBC.

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note.

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**9709 ITEM 8b – LICENSING ACT 2003 ROLE OF PARISH AND TOWN COUNCILS**

Ref. letter dated 23 January 2006 from Licensing Manager, HBC.

**RESOLVED:** That the clerk contact the Licensing Manager, HBC and query whether the Parish Council is to be consulted on license applications, and if not, draw to his attention the following sections of the above Act:

Section 13 (3) (b)

Section 5 (3) (f)

Section 13 (4) (f)

**9710 ITEM 8c – KNARESBOROUGH CHILDRENS DAY**

Ref. letter dated 30 January 2006 from Event Co-ordinator.

**RESOLVED:** That the Clerk contact the Knaresborough Post to seek their help in publicising the difficulties facing the event organisers in continuing to run Children's Day.

**ITEM 9a – HARROGATE & DISTRICT NHS FOUNDATION TRUST**

See Minute 9704.

**9711 ITEM 9b – PROPOSED MERGER OF MANOR INFANT and CASTLE JUNIOR SCHOOLS**

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

Ref. report from NYCC and letter dated 7 February 2006 from the NYCC Governor Support & Communications Manager.

**RESOLVED:** That the Clerk arrange for a representative from one of the schools e.g. a Headteacher or Governor to come along to a Council meeting to provide more information on the possible amalgamation.

*(Councillors Willoughby and Aspin returned to the Chamber and Councillor Aspin resumed the Chair).*

**9712 ITEM 10a– RENAISSANCE MARKET TOWN INIATIVE**

**RESOLVED:** (i) That the list of projects identified in the RMT Delivery Plan should include a Sports Strategy as well as an Arts Strategy.  
(ii) That KN20 (Link Castle/Museum to Riverside) be retained in the list for consideration

**9713 ITEM 10b – RMT - LETTER DATED 6 FEBRUARY 2006 FROM HEAD OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT HBC**

**RESOLVED:** (i) That KTC votes to adopt the amended constitution.  
(ii) That Councillor R Hall continues to represent KTC on the new Executive.

**9714 ITEM 10c – MINUTES OF COMMUNITY CONFERENCE HELD ON 21 JANUARY 2006**

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note

**9715 ITEM 10d– MBED INFORMATION – (see minute 9693)**

The Clerk reported that Mbed are a consortium of agencies contracted to, and funded by, Yorkshire Forward to deliver support to all RMTs in the region.

**RESOLVED:** That the Clerk's report be received and noted.

**9716 ITEM 10e– TO CONSIDER ANY OTHER RMT MATTERS**

It was noted that there is to be a meeting of the RMT Interim Steering Group on Wednesday 15 February 2006 at 6pm at Conyngham Hall.

**9717 ITEM 11 – NOMINATION OF MAYOR OF KNARESBOROUGH 2006/7**

**RESOLVED:** That this item be deferred to the next Council meeting on 27 February 2006.

**9718 ITEM 12 – FREE MARKET STALLS**

**RESOLVED:** That in the absence of Councillor Cooke, this item be deferred to the next Council meeting on 27 February 2006.

**9719 ITEM 13 – TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS**

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note the following documents:

- a) YLCA – Councillor Skills Seminar – Brochure and Booking form Spring 2006.
- b) YLCA – Harrogate Branch Meeting – Monday 13 February, 7.30 at Crescent Gardens, Harrogate.
- c) YLCA – Minutes of Harrogate Branch Meeting held 17 October 2005.
- d) YLCA – Minutes of Joint Executive Committee held 22 October 2005.
- e) Harrogate & District Access Group – Minutes of Quarterly Meeting held 15 December 2005.
- f) 'Thank You' for leaving gifts – Mrs E MacDowell.

**9720 ITEM 14 - INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

- a) Lack of Knaresborough representation on the Planning Committee at HBC (*Councillor Smith*).
- b) Knaresborough in Bloom – next meeting February 21<sup>st</sup>, 7.30pm at Knaresborough House (*Councillor Willoughby*).
- c) Mark Hardcastle has left the employ of HBC (*Councillor Godsell*).
- d) Grass verge at the Wetherby Rd./York Rd. junction has been flattened and re-seeded (*Councillor D Smith*).

**The Meeting closed at 8.56 pm**