

**REPORT OF MEETING OF KNARESBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**HELD AT KNARESBOROUGH HOUSE, KNARESBOROUGH**  
**ON MONDAY 18 JULY 2005**

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

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

**Early Departures:**    Councillor J.Jackson, 9.12pm

**9323**    **ITEM 1 - APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillor R J Pearson (holiday) and Councillor H Lyon (work).

**9324**    **ITEM 2 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Note: Interests are personal, unless indicated otherwise.

Councillor R Aspin	Item 11- Member of RMT Town Team Item 14e – Member of Knaresborough in Bloom
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 11- Member of RMT Town Team
Councillor M Smith	Item 14e – Member of Knaresborough in Bloom
Councillor P Godsell	Items 4 and 5 – Member of Knaresborough Community Centre Committee
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 11- Member of RMT Town Team
Councillor J Cooke	Item 11- Member of RMT Town Team
Councillor C Willoughby	Item 7c – (should reference be made to Holy Trinity Church) Item 14e – Member of Knaresborough in Bloom

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Councillor P Guest                      Item 14e – Member of Knaresborough in Bloom  
Item 11 - Member of RMT Town Team  
Item 9b – Owner of land adjacent

Councillor R.Hall                      Item 11 - Member of RMT Town Team

**9325 ITEM 3 - MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD 4 JULY 2005**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 4 July 2005 be approved as a correct record, and signed by the Chair, subject to the inclusion of Councillor R.Pearson in the list of those PRESENT.

**9326 ITEM 4 – OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK**

**RESOLVED:**                      Suspend Standing Orders to enable questions and answers with Mr Andrew Wright and Mr Mark Hardcastle (HBC).

Ref:- Mr Andrew Wright, Knaresborough Celtic JFC and Knaresborough Football Partnership re proposed pitch improvements at King George V Playing Field (Minute 9292).

Mr Wright requested the Town Council reconsider its decision, regarding revenue costs resulting from pitch improvements at KGV Field (Minute 9292, 20 June 2005), given the benefits that would result from an upgraded pitch.

A number of questions, answers and comments followed, regarding capital costs, grant funding and double taxation.

**9327 ITEM 5 – KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELD**

Ref :- To discuss matters arising from Item 4, above.

**RESOLVED: i)** That with reference to Standing Order No. 13 (rescind resolution passed within the preceding six months) that the matter of proposed pitch improvements at King George V Field be reconsidered at the next meeting of the Council (1 August 2005).

The Clerk advised that Mr Mark Hardcastle, Sports Development Manager, HBC had offered to arrange a meeting of interested parties to discuss and negotiate terms relating to revenue costs, for an improved pitch at KGV Field.

**RESOLVED: ii)** That the following KTC representatives, Councillors J. Smith, P.Godsell, A.Wright and K. Hawkins, attend a meeting with HBC and interested parties, to discuss revenue costs and responsibility for an improved pitch at KGV Field, and report back to the Council.

**RESOLVED: iii)** That Standing Orders be re-instated.

*(Note: 8.10pm – Councillor A. Wright left the Council Chamber).*

**9328 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>
50.G.FUL*	The Trustees	Demolition of single storey element and erection of single storey side and rear extension, erection of roof extension to house lift shaft, installation of 7 rooflights and felling of 12 leylandii trees within Conservation Area – Methodist Church, Gracious Street.	No objections.
<i>(8.15pm Councillor A. Wright returned to the Council Chamber)</i>			
438.D.FUL*	Alan David Oliver	Erection of detached double garage – Troydale, York Road.	No objections.
2381. A. FUL*	Mrs J Williams and Mr T Maden	Erection of two storey and single storey side extensions and rear conservatory – 21 Gordale Mount.	No objections.
2412.A.FUL*	Mr and Mrs Norman	Erection of two storey rear extension (revised scheme) – 30 St Margarets Road	No objections.
2449.FULMAJ**	S.Smith Brewery	Erection of 10 dwellings to replace existing garages and storage buildings (revised scheme) – Meadley Square, Whiteleys Yard	Support the proposal.
2454.FUL*	Mr P. Fairhurst	Erection of a single storey rear extension – 14 St Roberts Road	No objections

\* 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.

**9329 ITEM 7a – PLANNING ENFORCEMENTS**

Reference:- Report of investigations at Woodpark Drive and Greengate Lane

**RESOLVED:** i) To receive and note

**9330 ITEM 7b – TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990**

Reference: - To note the following appeal against HBC's refusal of planning permission.

6.100.1331. E.FUL – Former Dental Clinic, Chain Lane. Erection of 1<sup>st</sup> floor to form one 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 0.063ha).

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note.

**9331 ITEM 7c – PROPOSED VODAFONE BASE STATION IN KNARESBOROUGH**

Reference:- letter dated 7 July from Turner and Partners

*(Councillor J.Jackson declared a personal interest – husband works at the Police Station).*

**RESOLVED:** To request further information regarding the proposed increase in siting of telecommunications masts, in one location, with reference to radiation levels and health.

**9332 ITEM 7d – MINERALS AND WASTE DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK**

Reference: - Issues and Options Paper and Draft Statement of Community Involvement, North Yorkshire County Council, letter dated 13 July 2005.

**RESOLVED:** To respond with a request for the urgent provision of a household waste recycling centre for Knaresborough.

**9333 ITEM 8 - OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK HBC PLANNING NO. 2 DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE – TUESDAY 19 JULY 2005**

- a) 6.100.78.D.FUL – Erection of 2 semi-detached dwellings - Land between 25 and 19 Park Row (revised scheme)
- b) 6.100.1491.O.FUL – Erection of 7 dwellings – Land between 62 and 80 Boroughbridge Road. *(Note – application withdrawn).*
- c) 6.100.1491.P.FUL– Erection of 4 dwellings - Land between 62 and 80 Boroughbridge Road.
- d) 6.100.2211.A.FUL – Retention of siting of static caravan used as a dwelling for one gypsy family and associated hard standing, land at Cass Lane.

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note the above meeting and planning applications– no councillor to attend.

**9334 ITEM 9a – CONYNGHAM HALL/HORSESHOE FIELDS PICNIC AREA**

Ref – letter dated 27 June 2005 from Head of Transport, HBC

**RESOLVED:** That the Head of Transport, HBC be requested to investigate the reinstatement of the barrier being closed, early evening, to deter vehicular access, and provision of an alternative, controlled exit facility at the far end of the Field.

**9335 ITEM 9b –HORSESHOE FIELDS**

Ref – letter dated 27 June 2005 from Arboricultural Manager, HBC

**RESOLVED:** To request further, detailed information on the exact location of the proposed tree planting, to ensure that it would not prejudice the future reinstatement of or access to football pitches or the potential of changing facilities being developed.

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**9336 ITEM 9c – HBC CONSULTATION MEETING WITH PARISH COUNCILS**

Reference – Meeting to be held 7 September 2005, Knaresborough House.

*RESOLVED:* To receive and note the above meeting.

**9337 ITEM 10a – CEMETERY WALL EXTENSION (MINUTE 9316)**

*RESOLVED:* To defer further consideration to a future meeting, pending further consultation by Councillor Wright with the Head of Parks, HBC.

**9338 ITEM 10b- BOXING DAY TUG OF WAR – KNARESBOROUGH SILVER BAND**

Reference - Councillor K. Hawkins to report

*RESOLVED:* To defer to a future meeting, to enable further investigations

**9339 ITEM 10c - KTC MAYORAL POINTS SYSTEM**

*RESOLVED:* To defer to a future meeting, to enable further consultations.

**9340 ITEM 10d – REPAIRS TO CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**

*RESOLVED:* To defer to a future meeting, to enable further consultation.

**9341 ITEM 10e – KNARESBOROUGH REGENERATION PARTNERSHIP**

Reference- Minutes of meeting held 15 June 2005.

*RESOLVED:* To receive and note.

**9342 ITEM 11 - RENAISSANCE MARKET TOWN INITIATIVE**

- i) Community Conference held 16 July 2005 – *RESOLVED:* To note future meeting to be held in September/October 2005.
- ii) Sponsors Group meeting held 6 July 2005 – *RESOLVED:* To note Clerk's request to RMT Town Team members to consider how the Delivery and Business Plan is to be presented to the Town Council.
- iii) Any other RMT matters – none.

**9343 ITEM 12 – APPLICATIONS FOR LICENCES**

Reference: Transfer of Justices Licence to M.Faisal, Spice Merchant restaurant.

*RESOLVED:* No objections

**9344 ITEM 13 - ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AS PER SCHEDULE NO. 272**

**RESOLVED:** That, the accounts for payment amounting to £3,413.68 as detailed on Schedule of Accounts No. 272 be authorised for payment and the Clerk be authorised to sign the cheques on the Council's account in settlement of the payments concerned (*Councillors A Wright and J Smith signatories*).

**9345 ITEM 14 – DOCUMENTS RECEIVED**

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

- a) E.U. "Inforegio" news, May 2005.
- b) Clerk and Councils Direct, Issue 40, July 2005.
- c) North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority Annual Performance Plan 2005/06 (*comments welcomed*).
- d) Health Matters – Newsletter from the Craven, Harrogate and Rural District PCT, June 2005
- e) Knaresborough in Bloom – Minutes of meeting held 17 May 2005 (*ca*).
- f) Bilton Conservation Group – Public Rights of Way in the Nidd Gorge. Copy of correspondence with North Yorkshire County Council and enclosures, July 2005.

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note the above documents.

**9346 ITEM 15 – INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

- a) Campaign to recruit more Special Constables in North Yorkshire
- b) Knaresborough Regeneration Partnership – Annual Report, 2004 – copies circulated.
- c) Dr Clayton, University of Liverpool – research project underway, Councillors invited to participate.
- d) Yorkshire In Bloom judging, 15 July 2005 – results awaited.
- e) Costcutters, High Street – store closure noted.
- f) VE/VJ Day celebrations, 10 July 2005 – congratulations to those involved and regret at absence of Silver Band.

**The Meeting closed at 9.26 pm**