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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF KNARESBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 26 MARCH 2007 AT KNARESBOROUGH HOUSE KNARESBOROUGH**

**PRESENT**    **Chair:**            Councillor P Guest (Mayor)

**Councillors:** R Aspin, P Godsell, R Hall, J Hawkins, K Hawkins, H Lyon, D Smith, J Smith, C Willoughby and A Wright.

**Late Arrivals:** H Lyon 7.35

**Early Departures:** None

**10122 ITEM 1 - APOLOGIES:**

Apologies were received from Councillors M Smith, J Jackson, B Hallam and R Pearson.

**10123 ITEM 2 - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

All declarations are personal, unless otherwise stated.

Councillor P Guest	Item 5 - Planning Application 2566 knows applicant Item 11g – Member of Renaissance Knaresborough Item 11h – Member of Knaresborough in Bloom
Councillor D Smith	Member of HBC – will consider any same item at HBC in the light of any new information Item 11g - Member of Renaissance Knaresborough
Councillor R Aspin	Item 5 - Planning Application 2316 Prejudicial Item 11g - Member of Renaissance Knaresborough Item 11h– Member of Knaresborough in Bloom
Councillor A Wright	Item 7a – Knows architect, knows person whose property would be over looked and tried to buy property.
Councillor C Willoughby	Member of HBC – will consider any same item at HBC in the light of any new information Item 5 - Planning application 1803 lives close to property Item 11h – Member of Knaresborough in Bloom
Councillor K Hawkins	Member of HBC – will consider any same item at HBC in the light of any new information. Item 11d – NYCC substitute member of committee

**10124 ITEM 3 - MINUTES OF MEETINGS**

i) Minutes of Council meeting held Monday 12 March 2007.

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 12 March 2007 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

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ii) Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting held Monday 5 March 2007.

The Minutes of the Annual Town meeting will be approved at the next Annual Town Meeting 2008.

**RESOLVED:** i) That matters arising from the Annual Town Meeting be deferred until the new Council is represented, with exception to item number 502 – Traffic Lights - Stockwell Road.

ii) That KTC support the resolution from the Annual Town Meeting (see below).

**RESOLUTION from Annual Town Meeting:** - *‘That HBC be asked to include the exit from St Margarets Road in the traffic light sequence.*

#### **10125 ITEM 4 – OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK**

None received.

#### **10126 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>
07/01083/ LB 413.H*	Peter Nottingham	Listed building application for internal alterations to include the repositioning of 1 support column and replacement of 3 support columns – 6 Market Place.	No objections
07/01325/ FUL 780.O*	Anthony Ian Young	Conversion of ground floor retail unit to form 1 flat (Revised Scheme) – 19 Bond End.	No objections - add that KTC support this.
07/01326/ LB 780.P*	Anthony Ian Young	Listed building application for the conversion of ground floor retail unit to form 1 dwelling with external works to include the replacement of shop front to 2 windows, removal of flue, installation of 1 door and 1 window and rendering to front and side elevations, and internal alterations to include the installation of 4 walls and widening of 1 doorway (Revised Scheme) – 19 Bond End.	No objections - add that KTC support this.
07/01458/ FUL 1803.B*	John Raymond Andrews	Retention of 1.98 metre high vehicular access gates with hard standing to rear and alterations to boundary wall to increase height to 1.93 metres – 1 Kings Road.	Object, makes the area look oppressive & prison like, out of keeping with the visual amenity.

*(Having declared a prejudicial interest in the item below (planning application 2316a and b) Councillor Aspin left the Council Chamber for its duration and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon).*

07/01376/ FUL 2316.A*	The Duchy of Lancaster	Change of use of disused offices (Use Class B1 – Offices) to form restaurant (Use Class A3 – Restaurant & Cafes) – Castle Precinct, Castle Yard.	Conditions should be attached. i) KTC doesn't want it to develop into a fast food outlet/take away. ii) Attention should be drawn to the nearby Moat Café and it's hours of operation. iii) KTC would wish to see other suitable conditions being set as it is near to the castle and in a sensitive area.
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*(At this point Councillor Wright also declared a prejudicial interest in planning application 2316a and b, left the Council Chamber and took no part in the voting thereon).*

07/01384/ LB 2316.B*	The Duchy of Lancaster	Listed building application for the conversion of disused offices (Use Class B1 - Offices) to form restaurant (Use Class A3 – Restaurant & Cafes), formation of mezzanine floor, internal and external alterations – Castle Precinct, Castle Yard.	No objections
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*(Councillors Aspin and Wright returned to the Chamber).*

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07/01245/F UL 2550.B**	Jane Fryer	Erection of 2 semi-detached dwellings (Site Area 0.04ha) (Revised Scheme) – Land to the South of 4 Middleton Cottages, Blands Hill, Calcutt.	Object on the same grounds as before:- Concerns over access/visibility, (Blands Hill is notoriously busy & dangerous). More vehicles means more pollution, noise & exhaust fumes. Loss of light and privacy for neighbouring properties. The above would all be inappropriate in a Conservation Area.
07/01291/F UL 2564*	Mrs S Watson	Erection of single storey rear and side extension – 5 Bishopdale Close.	No objections
07/01316/F UL 2565**	Mr A Hall	Erection of 1 detached dwelling with detached garage (Site Area 0.02ha) – Land adjacent to 2 Whincup Avenue.	Object – too cramped a site for the proposed dwelling – having detrimental effect on the street scene & neighbours.
07/01387/F UL 2566*	Mr & Mrs Borkett	Erection of replacement garage and single storey rear extension – 2 St Roberts Road.	No objections
07/01435/F UL 2567*	Mr & Mrs M W Oldridge	Erection of front extension to garage – Redstones, Wetherby Road.	No objections
07/01504/F UL 2568*	Mr & Mrs J Benecke	Erection of two storey side extension and front porch – 1 Scotton Moor, Ripley Road, Scotton.	No objections

\* Item for determination by Harrogate Borough Council Head of Planning Services or Head of Planning Services /Chairman of Planning Committee.

\*\* Item for determination by Planning Committee

## 10127 ITEM 6 - PLANNING MATTERS & CORRESPONDENCE

a) **Planning Enforcements** – (i) Confidential Papers (*see unpublished minutes*)

(ii) Report of Investigation  
07/00091/PR15 – Crag Ridge, 3 Crag Lane

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note.

b) **Notice of Appeal re HBC's refusal of Tree Preservation Consent:**

i) 6.100.1289.B.TPO – Felling of 1 Cherry Tree, tree T1 of provisional Tree Preservation Order 80/2006 – Stewart A Ibbotson, 14 Jockey Lane.

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note.

c) **Application approved by HBC (subject to conditions) contrary to KTC observations:**

i) 6.100.1888.C.FUL – Erection of side conservatory – 6 Castle Mills, Waterside.  
(*Note: KTC: Object – Such development would detract from the character of the Mill*)

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note.

ii) 6.100.1888.D.LB – Listed building application for erection of side conservatory and installation of internal french doors - 6 Castle Mills, Waterside. (*Note: KTC: Object – See comments as 1888.C*).

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note.

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**10128 ITEM 7 - HBC PLANNING COMMITTEE – Opportunity to Speak – Tuesday 27 March 2007 at 2.00pm Crescent Gardens, Harrogate.**

**RESOLVED:** That details of the above meeting, at which the following applications relating to Knaresborough are to be heard, be received and noted (No Councillor from KTC to attend).

- a) 6.100.2007.A.FUL – Erection of 3 terraced dwellings with linking car port to 10 Brewton Street, alterations to rear and side boundary walls and formation of hard standing to front. (Site Area 0.05ha) – Land 10-12 Brewerton Street.
- b) 6.100.2261.B.FUL – Demolition of shop and erection of 2 dwellings (Site Area 0.007ha) – 11 Cheapside.
- c) 6.100.2261.C.CON – Conservation area application for the demolition of shop - 11 Cheapside.

**10129 ITEM 8 – COMMUNICATIONS AND MATTERS ARISING**

- (a) Draft Corporate Rural Community Investment Plan for 2007/08 – letter dated 5 March 2007 from Assistant Economic Development Officer, HBC

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note

- (b) Hay-a-Park – letter dated 8 March 2007 from Head of Parks and Open Spaces, HBC.

**RESOLVED:** That the Clerk reply to the Planning Department with the following:-

- i) Point 2 of the letter - flag up this very important link for the whole scheme, and request the following information:- How much progress has been made with the contractor and when will the link be open?
- ii) Point 3 of the letter – request a copy of the plans (as proposed by the rugby and tennis clubs) for Councillors to view. (item requested for next agenda 11.4.07)

- (c) Jacob Smith Park – letter dated 15 March 2007 from Head of Parks and Open Spaces, HBC

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note

- (d) Big Lottery Fund – letter dated 12 March 2007 from Head of Parks and Open Spaces, HBC

**RESOLVED:** Propose to look at different sites (including plans for Hay-a-Park when available) with regard to the Lottery letter above and see if there is a place to put something.

- (e) Grants for Community Groups from Yorkshire Forward – e-mail dated 19 March 2007 from Deputy Chief Officer, Yorkshire Local Councils Associations.

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note

**10130 ITEM 9 – REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

- a) Office Workload - Clerk to report.

The Clerk reported that the hours in lieu are as follows:- Admin Assistant hours are the same at 12.

The Deputy Clerk's and the Clerk's hours had both dropped slightly at 19 and 19.5 respectively.

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note

- b) Report to HBC Standards Sub-Committee 21 March 2007 re Application for Dispensations - Marton Cum Grafton Parish Council - Councillor Wright to report.

Councillor Wright as the KTC representative for the above group wanted other Councillors to be aware of the implications of the above report.

**RESOLVED:** That the Clerk writes to Steven Prosser at HBC for clarification on whether membership of Renaissance Knaresborough and Knaresborough Community Association would be regarded as a prejudicial interest even when appointed by KTC.

**10131 ITEM 10 – ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS 307**

**RESOLVED:** That the accounts for payments, amounting to £ £3,225.04 as detailed on Schedule of Accounts No.307 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).

**10132 ITEM 11 RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS**

- a) EU Inforegio News No.153 and 154, January, February 2007.
- b) EU "Regions for economic change" January 2007.
- c) National Association of Councillors – Public Services – Improvement & Accountability, 13-15 April 2007 – Crown Hotel, Scarborough.
- d) NYCC Area Committee Agenda – Cairn Hotel, Thursday 22 March 2007 at 9.30am. (Development of integrated Children's Services to be discussed).
- e) HBC Standards Sub-Committee - Minutes of meeting held 25 October 2006.
- f) Police Brief February 2007 Review – e-mail from Sergeant G Crocker, Knaresborough & South Harrogate NPT.
- g) Minutes of Renaissance Knaresborough Executive Committee Meeting No.11, 20 February 2007
- h) Minutes of Knaresborough in Bloom Committee Meeting held 23 January 2007

**RESOLVED:** To receive and note.

**10133 ITEM 12 INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

- a) Councillor P Guest - would like a team photograph of Councillors who have served the last 4 years. He will organise this for the last meeting of this Council 23.4.07 (Note to go in the next agenda reminding Councillors to be there at 7.15).
- b) Councillor D Smith – John and Diana will have been married 40 years on 27.3.07. At their celebration a donation to COGS was requested instead of gifts and £1000 was raised.
- c) Councillor R Aspin received a letter from NYCC Department of Economic Development stating that they would be willing to donate £10,000 to Horseshoe Fields Bridge. During a telephone conversation with an Army Sergeant Councillor Aspin was told that divisions are being asked for a start date for the bridge.
- d) Councillor C Willoughby – Knaresborough in Bloom meeting on Tuesday 27.3.07 at 7.30 in Knaresborough House.
- e) Councillor K Hawkins asked if other Councillors had heard anything re the Unitary Authority. Councillor A Wright informed other Councillors that he had requested that it be on the next agenda.
- f) The Clerk informed Councillors that the Renaissance Knaresborough meeting on 17 April was cancelled (see email dated 22.3.07)
- g) The Clerk reminded Councillors that the next Council meeting was on **Wednesday 11.4.07**.
- h) The Clerk informed Councillors that Sergeant Geoff Crocker from Knaresborough Police station who will be leaving Knaresborough for the Community Safety Department at Harrogate.

*Meeting ended at 8.55 pm*