

REPORT OF MEETING OF KNARESBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL
HELD AT KNARESBOROUGH HOUSE, KNARESBOROUGH
ON MONDAY 27 MARCH 2006

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

Councillors J Cooke, P Godsell, P Guest, H Lyon, R Pearson, M Smith, C Willoughby
and A Wright.

7.00pm (Council Chamber) – Mrs A Rankin Harrogate Borough Council
Recycling Presentation

Harrogate Borough Council have a recycling target, 21% of all household waste must be recycled by the end of 2006. Over 80% of all houses in the area are included in the kerbside recycling bag/box scheme. Green garden waste bins have reached 10,000 properties. By the year 2010 every home should have kerbside recycling for at least 2 materials. Harrogate Borough Council are endeavouring to educate everyone on the 3 R's – Recycle, Reduce, & Reuse.

After the presentation Councillors were able to question Mrs Rankin about different recycling schemes and materials included.

COUNCIL MEETING 7.30 PM

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

Councillors: J Cooke, P Godsell, P Guest, H Lyon, R Pearson, D Smith,
J Smith, M Smith, C Willoughby and A Wright.

Late Arrivals: D & J Smith (7.55)

Early Departures: None

9750 ITEM 1 – APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor J Jackson (work commitments) & Councillor K Hawkins (unwell)

9751 ITEM 2 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Note: Interests are personal, unless indicated otherwise.

Councillor R Aspin	Item 13 - Member of RMT Item 15 - Member of Knaresborough in Bloom
Councillor D Smith	Member of HBC - will reconsider any same item at HBC, in the light of any new information.
Councillor P Godsell	Item 1227.D Planning Application - Frazer Theatre
Councillor J Cooke	Item 8b - Prejudicial Item 13b - Member of Arts Project
Councillor C Willoughby	Item 15f - Chair of Knaresborough in Bloom
Councillor H Lyon	Item 9d - Employed by Harrogate & District NHS Trust

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Councillor P Guest Item 9C - Member of Chamber of Trade
Item 13 - Member of RMT
Item 15f - Member of Knaresborough in Bloom

Councillor A Wright Item 11 - Mum has an allotment
Item 13b - Owns illustrated building

Councillor J Smith Member of HBC - will reconsider any same item at HBC,
in the light of any new information.

9752 ITEM 3 – TO CONSIDER PRESENTATION PRECEEDING COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLVED: That a vote of thanks was given to Mrs Rankin for her informative presentation.

9753 ITEM 4 - MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD 27 FEBRUARY 2006

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 13 March 2006 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair, subject to the following amendment:

Councillor Wright requested the words ‘for example’ be omitted from his statement of advice from the Standards Board.

9754 ITEM 5 – OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK

- a, Mr S Wicks (agent for the applicant) re planning application 6.100.874.G.FUL. The owner wants to bring the Mitre back to its former glory. The plans are to erect a garden room (west facing), rebuild the boiler room and replace the railings. They are looking into incorporating a handrail along with the railings. The garden room would have removable panels that could be open during the summer days to allow air to flow, but as the building would have air conditioning they could be closed to reduce noise.
- b, Miss J Barton (neighbour) who lives opposite The Mitre, was worried about sound & light nuisance.

RESOLVED: To suspend Standing Orders to allow Councillors to question Mr Wicks.

Councillors questioned Mr Wicks over the use of blinds, construction of the roof and the opening panels of the garden room & whether there were definite plans to put in a handrail.

RESOLVED: To move back to Standing Orders.

9755 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>
874.G. FUL*	Birthplace Ltd	Erection of garden room with hard and soft landscaping to include 1.1m high metal railings and erection of replacement single storey rear extension – The Mitre Hotel, Station Road.	KTC object only to the plans for a conservatory, local residents amenity & impact it could have in neighbouring area in terms of noise & light.
357.A. OUT**	Brian Bradley-Smith	Outline application for the erection of a detached bungalow with siting and access to be considered (site area 0.04ha) – 21 Scotton Drive.	No Objections
649.F. FUL*	N Hill	Conversion of first, second and third floors from retail and dwelling to form 2 dwellings (site area 0.01ha) – 59a High Street.	No Objections

1159.E. FUL*	Yorkshire Trading Co. Ltd.	Erection of two storey rear extension with single storey link – 40 High Street.	KTC objects on the grounds that there is a lack of architectural features on listed building & in conservation area
1159.F. LB*	Yorkshire Trading Co. Ltd.	Listed building application for the erection of two storey rear extension with single storey link - 40 High Street.	KTC objects on the grounds that there is a lack of architectural features on listed building & in conservation area.
1227.D. FUL*	Knaresborough Players	Erection of single storey rear extension to form disabled toilet – The Frazer Theatre, High Street.	No Objections
2072.B. FUL*	Mr S Humberstone	Erection of 1 rear dormer window (Revised Scheme) – 3 Tentergate Road.	No Objections
2175.B. FUL*	Mr I S Lambley	Erection of side conservatory – 35 Blair Park.	No Objections
2286.A. FUL*	Mr & Mrs J Potter	Erection of detached double garage – 20 Boroughbridge Road.	KTC objects over the size, position & intrusion of street scene.
2474.A. FUL*	Mr & Mrs J M H and J K Turner	Erection of two storey side extension, conversion of garage to form additional living accommodation with first floor extension over and 2 front dormer windows – Roughstones, Forest Moor Road.	KTC would like to point out that its greenbelt land & property would intrude on either side.
2492.FUL *	Mr I Buckle	Erection of bay window and canopy to front elevation, single storey side extension to include garage and rear conservatory – 21 Lunedale Avenue.	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.

9756 ITEM 7 - PLANNING MATTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Planning Enforcements (i) Confidential Papers
(ii) Report of Investigations:
i) 06/00086/PR15 – 28 Queens Road.
ii) 06/00110/PR15 – 13 Grimbald Road.
- b) To note HBC's decision to grant planning permission, subject to conditions, contrary to KTC observations:
- (i) 6.100.187.J.REM – Reserved matters application under outline permission 6.100.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).
- (ii) 6.100.560.C.FUL – 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 increased in the overhang from the sun room and bay/balcony above Gallon Steps.)
- (iii) 6.100.994.E.REM – Reserved Matters application under outline permission 6.100.994.D.RENEW for the erection of 1 No. detached dwelling with siting, access, design, external appearance and landscaping considered (site area 0.178ha) – Land to the north of Holbeck House, Well Lane, Calcutt.
(KTC object: The entrance shown involves demotion of an existing wall, which is an attractive feature within the street scene and contributes to the character of Calcutt. The Town Council does not wish to see this demolished.)

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- (iv) 6.100.2338.C.FULMAJ – Erection of car showroom including workshop, bodyshop, valet area and bin storage with associated access, parking and 2.4m high fencing (Site Area 1ha) – Land at Grid Ref. 436768/456345, St James Retail Business and Industrial Park.

(KTC notes that this proposal would further increase the number of car showrooms, in this location, and result in the loss of local industrial/employment land.)

- (v) 6.100.2346.RG4 – Change of use of boat house to allow use as a retail premises from 15/3 to 31/10 on an annual basis – Boat House adjacent 17 Waterside.

(KTC Object on the grounds of insufficient information regarding the type and nature of retail trade proposed, to enable (constructive) consideration of the possible impact of the proposal.)

c) To note the following **WITHDRAWN** planning applications:

- (i) 6.100.187.I.RENEW – Renewal of unimplemented planning permission 6.100.187.H.OUT for the erection of 1 No. dwelling - Land at grid ref. 434975/456075 North West of Thistledown, Well Lane, Calcutt.
- (ii) 6.100.2066.D.FUL – 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.

RESOLVED: i, To receive and note
ii, The Clerk keep a tally of KTC's objections and the decisions made by HBC.

d) Tree Preservation Order No. 53, 2005 – Woodside Cottage, 1 Boroughbridge Road. Notice of Confirmation of Provisional Order.

e) Tree Preservation Order No.12, 2006 – Spital Croft Green, Spital Croft

RESOLVED: To receive and note.

9757 ITEM 8 - HBC PLANNING COMMITTEE – Opportunity to Speak – Tuesday 28 March 2006 at 2.00pm Crescent Gardens, Harrogate

RESOLVED: That Councillor J Smith represent the Town Council at the above meeting at which the following applications are to be considered.

a) 6.100.2463.A.FUL – Erection of extension to form 1 additional attached dwelling (site area 0.016ha) (revised scheme) – 2 Princess Avenue.

KTC comments:- *Object – This would be inappropriate development and adversely affect the street scene.*

HBC recommendation:- Refuse.

b) 6.100.2489.FUL – Demolition of bungalow and erection of 3 town houses with integral garages and altered vehicular access (site area 0.061ha) – The Glen, Halfpenny Lane.

KTC comments:- *No objections.*

HBC recommendation:- Refuse.

c) 6.108.40.A.FULMAJ – Change of use from agricultural land to recreational purposes with the formation of 6 football pitches, 50 space car park, vehicular access and the erection of a single storey detached pavilion (revised scheme)

KTC comments:- Support the application in principle but request that HBC commission a request to ascertain whether or not the proposed drainage is adequate.

HBC recommendation:- Refuse.

Councillor Wright pointed out that a lot of work has been undertaken to locate a pitch close to Knaresborough that does not contradict the R5 policy, which only applies where there are more sustainable options.

It was reported that due to industrial action by council workers this meeting would be rescheduled for Tuesday 4th April 2006.

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9758 ITEM 9 – COMMUNICATIONS AND MATTERS ARISING

- a) Traffic Regulation Orders - To consider proposed orders deferred from previous meeting See Minute 9743b.

RESOLVED: That no further comments be forwarded to HBC at this time.

- b) Licensing Act 2003 – Role of Parish and Town Councils – letter received 8 March 2006 from Licensing Manager, HBC.

RESOLVED: To defer this for a fortnight to allow councillors time to study the Act.

- c) Carol Service and Lights Switch-On – letter dated 18 February 2006 (**received 10 March 2006**) from President of Knaresborough Chamber of Trade & Commerce.

RESOLVED: To receive and note

- d) Craven, Harrogate & Rural District Primary Care Trust Board Report – 7 February 2006 and Your Views – February 2006 – Response to consultation – letter dated February 2006 (received 10 March 2006) from Director Of Primary Care and Patient & Public Involvement.

RESOLVED: To receive and note

- e) Temporary Footpath Closure – PROW No.K21 (Mill Steps) – letter dated 13 March 2006 from Solicitor to the Council, HBC.

RESOLVED: To receive and note

- f) Jacob Smith Park – letter dated 17 March 2006 from Head of Parks and Open Spaces, HBC.

RESOLVED: That KTC would like to add a hard-surface path (suitable for jogging) be added to the list .

9759 ITEM 10 – TO CONSIDER REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS/MATTERS ARISING

- a) King George V Playing Field meeting 14 March 2006 – Councillor A Wright to report. The Clerk read report that KTC offered to pay 50% of the revenue costs in the first financial year, reducing to 40% 30%, 20% and 10% in financial years 2, 3, 4 and 5 respectively. Thereafter HBC will pay all the cost.

RESOLVED: That written confirmation of the above be obtained from HBC.

- b) Employment Committee – Minutes of meeting held 27 February 2006. (*See Minute 9766*).

RESOLVED: Due the nature of this item – it was agreed to move this to the end of the meeting in order to be taken in confidential session.

- c) “Free” Market Stalls – Clerk to report on responses received to date.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk extend the deadline and report as and when there is any interest.

9760 ITEM 11 – KASHS - LEASE ARRANGEMENTS To consider a time limit for improvement works to water supply”. (See Minute 9743a).

RESOLVED: i, That KASHS are given a year to (end of March 2007) to complete the improvement to the water supply.

ii, That no increase be made in the grant awarded to KASHS see minute 9743.

iii, That KASHS be allowed to sell their produce for fundraising purposes only.

9761 ITEM 12 – KNARESBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS 2006/7 Schedule of KTC Meetings 2006-2007– to consider, and if thought fit, approve.

RESOLVED: To receive, note and approve.

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9762 ITEM 13 - RENAISSANCE MARKET TOWN INITIATIVE

- a) Minutes of Interim Steering Group Meeting No. 6, 15 February 2006.

RESOLVED: To receive and note

- b) Knaresborough Town Team Arts Project 'Town Windows' e-mail dated 13 March 2006 from Mark Firth.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk writes to Mark Firth and confirms that KTC support the project wholeheartedly and convey a vote of thanks.

- c) To consider any other RMT matters.

RMT meeting on Wednesday 29 March at Conyngham Hall at 7.30pm.

9763 ITEM 14 - TO CONSIDER ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AS PER SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS 284

RESOLVED: That the accounts for payments, amounting to £2,713.20 as detailed on Schedule of Accounts No.284 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 & A Wright signatories).

9764 ITEM 15 - TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS

- a) Inforegio Newsletter No. 142, January 2006.
b) Clerks and Councils Direct – Issue 44 March 2006.
c) Yorkshire Local Councils Associations – Empowerment and the Deal for Devolution – A Discussion Document – e-mail dated 7 March 2006 from YLCA. (See also www.odpm.gov.uk/index.asp?id=1163065). (Views are invited on the contents of this paper by 31 March.)
d) Yorkshire Local Councils Associations – Yorkshire and Humber Rural Framework online consultation and February's 'Rural Matters' – e-mail dated 7 March 2006 from YLCA.
e) NYCC – County Area Committee for the Harrogate District Newsletter – Issue 18, March 2006.
f) Knaresborough In Bloom – Minutes of meeting held 17 January 2006.

RESOLVED: To receive and note.

9765 ITEM 16 - INFORMATION EXCHANGE

- a) Email from HBC re street naming at Thistle Hill. The developers want to move ahead with a name for the new road, HBC wanted a decision from KTC. The name Thistle Meadows was suggested and approved by all Councillors. (Clerk)
b) Letter of notification from HBC, replacement of footpaths, grass verges and kerbing - Meadow Road and Hawthorn Avenue expected to take 6 weeks commencing 3 April 2006. (Clerk)
c) Knaresborough Scouts Annual St Georges Day Parade on Sunday 23 April 2006 starts from the castle at 12pm, followed by a service at St Johns Church at 12.30. (Clerk)
d) Thanks received from Councillor Guest for the interesting Civic Heads training day.
e) HBC have done an excellent job on upgrading bus shelters in the area with suggestions from KTC. (Councillor Wright)

9766 ITEM - 10b EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE - MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 27 FEBRUARY 2006.

See unpublished minutes.

The Meeting closed at 9.55 pm.