

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF KNARESBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY
16 JUNE 2008 AT KNARESBOROUGH HOUSE, KNARESBOROUGH.**

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

Councillors: J Burdett, M Clemmitt, J Hawkins, K Hawkins, L Powell,
A Willoughby and C Willoughby.

Late Arrivals: J Burdett (7.35pm) and J Hawkins (8.42pm)
(both Councillors arrived late due to attendance at other meetings).

Early departures: none

436 ITEM 1 – APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor R Archibald.

437 ITEM 2 - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

All declarations are personal, unless otherwise stated.

Councillor K Hawkins Member of HBC – will consider any same item at HBC in the light
of any new information.

Planning Application 6.100.879.G Councillor K Hawkins proposed that the above planning application be
not discussed as the wife of the applicant is a candidate in the
forthcoming local election.

RESOLVED:

Unanimous

Councillor A Willoughby Item 4a) and 11a) – Councillor is relative of person who lives in Park Square.
Item 15c) – Member of Renaissance Knaresborough

Councillor J Burdett arrived 7.35

Councillor C Willoughby Member of HBC – will consider any same item at HBC in the light
of any new information.
Item 4a) and 11a) – Councillor is relative of person who lives in Park Square.
Item 5 – Councillor represents Links Youth Club for HBC.

Councillor J Burdett Member of HBC – will consider any same item at HBC in the light
of any new information
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Item 15b) – Member of Harrogate & Ripon Councils for Voluntary Services.

Councillor L Powell Item 6 – Planning application 1749 Councillor knows applicant.
Planning application 2664 Councillor knows applicant.
Item 15c) - Member of Renaissance Knaresborough.

Councillor M Clemmitt Item 6 – Planning application 1749 – Councillor knows applicant.
Item 15d) – Member of CAP group.

Councillor P Godsell Item 15d) - Member of CAP group.

438 ITEM 3 - MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 2 June 2008 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

439 ITEM 4 - KTC PUBLIC SPEAKING SESSION

c) Mrs C Dixon re Planning Application 385.G – (Land West of Parish Hall, The Parsonage St John the Baptist Church).

Mrs C Dixon made numerous points against this outline application; the footprint is far too close to neighbouring properties, it is too close to the cliff edge; traffic concerns as access is down a narrow lane. *Councillors were then able to question Mrs Dixon.*

Item 6 Planning Application 08/02445/OUT 6.100.385.G** St John The Baptist Church, Outline application for the erection of 1 detached dwelling with access considered (Revised Scheme) – Land West of Parish Hall, The Parsonage.

RESOLVED: That KTC reiterate what they said previously. *‘Object on the grounds that this is too big, over dominant and does not contribute positively to the surrounding area. A modest single storey building would be more in keeping with other buildings on The Parsonage. Access is inadequate – moving the barrier is not a solution. The Town Council would also add that in the event that Harrogate were minded to approve this application, Permitted Development Rights should be removed and a condition imposed that the existing stone wall to the front of the site (onto the Church grounds) remain and that no changes are made to its height’.*
(Unanimous)

b) County Councillor Richard Hall re Item 13a) KTC Winter Maintenance Schedule for Knaresborough. County Councillor R Hall informed Members that the list produced was the roads suggested to be gritted. He thought that the 23 June 2008 was too early for a decision, that the list did not include every bus route, and urged KTC to ask NYCC to treat every bus route as a priority. *Councillors were then able to ask questions.*

Item 13 - Other Motions Submitted by Members

b) KTC to consider Winter Maintenance Schedule for Knaresborough

RESOLVED: i) That KTC form a small temporary committee (Winter Maintenance Committee) to look at this in detail. (Councillors K Hawkins, B Asquith, J Burdett and C Willoughby)
ii) That the committee have delegated authority to make a decision and report to NYCC. (mention that time given was not long enough)
iii) That the Clerk requests an extension for comments from KTC.

Copy to County Councillor R Hall.

a) Shirley Muir re Item 11a) Consideration and suitability of path through Park Square and the use of re-claimed sets of cobbles.

See minute number 446.

440 ITEM 5 - BUSINESS REMAINING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

(Agenda item requested from meeting 2.6.08) Links Youth Club/ Chain Lane Community Centre leased by NYCC – from Leeds Metropolitan University. Fears over possible closure and the land sold to developers.

RESOLVED: The Clerk to write to Leeds Metropolitan University and state that KTC do feel very strongly that the site should be retained for community use in some form.

Copy County Council for support and County Councillor R Hall. (Unanimous)

441 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>
08/02263/FUL 168.B*	Mr & Mrs A Broadwith	Erection of two storey rear extension (Revised Scheme) – Ridgfield House, Forest Moor Road.	Object on principle – increased footprint of property in Green Belt. (Unanimous)
08/01927/FUL 325.A*	Mr A Stringer	Erection of replacement detached garage – 2 King James Road.	No objections.
08/02445/OUT 385.G**	St John The Baptist Church	Outline application for the erection of 1 detached dwelling with access considered (Revised Scheme) – Land West of Parish Hall, The Parsonage.	Object on the grounds that this is too big, over dominant and does not contribute positively to the surrounding area. A modest single storey building would be more in keeping with other buildings on The Parsonage. Access is inadequate – moving the barrier is not a solution. The Town Council would also add that in the event that Harrogate were minded to approve this application, Permitted Development Rights should be removed and a condition imposed that the existing stone wall to the front of the site (onto the Church grounds) remain and that no changes are made to its height. (unanimous)
08/02643/FUL 879.G*	Mr Andrew Walton	Relocation of pedestrian access gate – Swadforth House, 5 Gracious Street.	
RESOLVED: That the above planning application (879.G) be not discussed as the wife of the applicant is a candidate in the forthcoming local election. (Unanimous)			
08/02336/LB 1061.C*	Mr M Calvert	Listed building application for the erection of replacement 2 storey infill extension to rear, porch to side, 1.8m high entrance gates with 2.3m high posts and various internal and external alterations – Kirkman Bank, High Bond End,.	No objections.
08/02438/TPO 1102.H*	Byards Park Management Co.	Various works to various trees within area A1 and Group G1 of Tree Preservation Order 2/1984 – Byards Park.	No objections.
08/02273/TPO 1749.J*	Mr Hitch	Limb reduction of 1 Horse Chestnut, tree T6 of Tree Preservation Order 04/1995 –Sylvan House, 2A Tentergate Lane.	Object – suggest arboriculturist look at this. KTC feel that it is an attractive tree and would not like to see it drastically reduced.
08/02036/FUL 2659.B*	Winston UK Ltd	Formation of car parking area for 22 cars and alterations to vehicular access from Boroughbridge Road with erection of 9.7m section of 1.9m high boundary wall – 2–10 Boroughbridge Road & 124-138 High Street.	No objections.
08/02499/FUL 2664*	Mr & Mrs Rogers	Erection of rear conservatory and replacement porch – 13 Scotch George Lane.	No objections.

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08/02515/FUL 2665*	Mr & Mrs Akerman	Erection of rear conservatory – 32 Bransdale Grove	No objections.
08/02564/FUL 2666*	Mr & Mrs B Dodsworth	Erection of single storey rear extension, front porch, raising of roof height and conversion to loft to form additional living accommodation – 60 Halfpenny Lane.	Object – Changing character of property entirely.

* Item for determination by HBC Head of Planning Services or Head of Planning Services /Chairman of Planning Committee

** Item for determination by Planning Committee

442 **ITEM 7 - PLANNING CORRESPONDENCE:**

- a) **Planning Enforcements** – (i) Confidential Papers None
(ii) Report of Investigations: None

b) To note the following **WITHDRAWN PLANNING APPLICATION:**

- i) 6.100.2494.B.FUL – Erection of three storey and single storey side extension – 10 Chain Lane

RESOLVED: To receive and note.

c) To note the following **NOTICE OF APPEAL** re HBC's refusal of planning permission

- i) 08/00057/REFPP – 6.100.2592.A.FUL (Appeal Ref. APP/E2734/A/08/2073305/WF) –Hopewell House. Conversion of cart shed to form 1 dwelling with installation of new package treatment plant (Site Area 0.09ha) (Revised Scheme) Appeal by Webster Partners. (*KTC comments: Object on the grounds of poor access – only access is by driving on a bridleway and the traffic will spoil the amenity for cyclists, walkers and horse riders.*)

RESOLVED: To receive and note.

d) To note the following **APPEAL DECISION** re HBC's refusal of planning permission (*available to view at the Clerk's Office*)

- i) 6.100.394.B.FUL (Appeal Ref. APP/E2734/A/08/2066434/WF) – 2 Park Gate – Retention of 1.80 metre high boundary fence and proposed extension to fencing - **appeal allowed**

RESOLVED: To receive and note.

e) Waste Transfer Station Proposal – letter dated 6 June 2008 from Project Manager (Sites & Planning), NYCC.

RESOLVED: KTC object very strongly;

a) to this development on agricultural land.

b) on the wrong side of town and will lead to unnecessary traffic movement through town. A facility of this type would be better located close to bypass/motorway.

(Unanimous)

Copy of letter to County Councillor R Hall

443 ITEM 8 - HBC PLANNING COMMITTEE - Opportunity to Speak –Tuesday 17 June 2008 at 2.00pm Crescent Gardens, Harrogate.

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

- a) 6.100.2310.C.OUT Outline Application for the erection of detached dwelling with layout and access considered (site area 0.03ha) South Dene 5 Stockwell Grove.

444 ITEM 9 – CORRESPONDENCE

None

445 ITEM 10 - REPORTS AND MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

None

446 ITEM 11 – REPORTS FROM THE CLERK

- a) Consideration and suitability of path through Park Square and the use of re-claimed sets of cobbles.

Councillor A Willoughby informed Councillors that Ms Shirley Muir had wanted to come to the Council meeting to talk with Councillors about the resurfacing Park Square. Possible alternative & cheaper ways of resurfacing had been looked into, but after investigation the costs were all similar. This meant that in effect she had nothing further to report and did not attend for this reason.

447 ITEM 12 – ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AS PER SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS 334

RESOLVED: That the accounts for payments, amounting to £489.95 as detailed on Schedule of Accounts No.334 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 A Willoughby and M Clemmitt signatories*).

448 ITEM 13 - OTHER MOTIONS SUBMITTED BY MEMBERS

- a) KTC to consider Winter Maintenance Schedule for Knaresborough. K Hawkins to report. Information from NYCC (County Councillor R Hall) on gritting schedule.

See minute number 439b

449 ITEM 14 – INFORMATION EXCHANGE

- a) Councillor A Willoughby - Performance Area Committee Meeting 30 June 7pm (*to be confirmed*).
 b) Councillor C Willoughby - Blind Jack Meeting on Tuesday 17 June.
 c) Councillor C Willoughby – Knaresborough in Bloom meeting on 24 June.
 d) Councillor B Asquith praised the Police for their handling of the Bed Race weekend.
 e) Councillor Jean Burdett – Emergency Committee Meeting on 1 July (*to be confirmed*).

Councillor J Hawkins arrived 8.42

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- f) Councillor Jean Burdett – Congratulations to the Lions for a brilliant Bed Race day, (*pass on to Lions*).
- g) Clerk – Internal Auditor had visited Tuesday 10 June 2008 and was pleased to report that 07-08 figures were complete. Annual return would be a next agenda item for approval.
- h) Clerk reported that the office had been having problems receiving emails; this was down to a fault with BT but things were now back to normal.

450 ITEM 15 - TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS

- a) EU 'Inforegio News' - May 2008.
- b) Harrogate & Ripon Councils for Voluntary Services – news and events letters.
- c) Renaissance Knaresborough 'Annual General Meeting' 19 June, 7pm at Knaresborough House.
- d) Minutes of Knaresborough Community and Police Group meeting held 18 March 2008.
- e) SELTRAP newsletter issue 11, Summer 2008.

RESOLVED: To receive and note.

Meeting ended at 8.50