

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

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

**Councillors:** B Asquith, J Burdett, M Clemmitt, R Hall, J Hawkins, K Hawkins, L Powell,  
A Willoughby and C Willoughby.

**Late Arrivals:** None

**Early departures:** None

**451    ITEM 1 – APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillors R Archibald and L Yorke-Davies.

**452    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.  
Prejudicial – Item 6 Planning Application 1447E.  
Prejudicial – Item 9f) (i).

Councillor J Hawkins            Prejudicial – Item 6 Planning Application 1447E.  
Prejudicial – Item 9f) (i).

Councillor A Willoughby        Item 10a) – Member of Blind Jack Working Group.

Councillor C Willoughby        Member of HBC – will consider any same item at HBC in the light  
of any new information.  
Prejudicial – Item 9c).  
Item 10a) – Member of Blind Jack Working Group.

Councillor B Asquith            Prejudicial – Item 10a).

Councillor J Burdett            Member of HBC – will consider any same item at HBC in the light  
of any new information  
Prejudicial – Item 8a).

Councillor M Clemmitt            Item 15b) – Member of Town Twinning Committee.  
Item 6 Planning Application 1447E and Item 9f)(i) – known to  
resident living close by.

Councillor P Godsell            Prejudicial – Item 12 Accounts 41 and 44.  
Item 15b) – Member of Town Twinning Committee.  
Item 6 Planning Application 1447E and Item 9f)(i) – known to  
resident living close by.

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**453 ITEM 3 - MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 16 June 2008 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair, subject to the following amendments:

- The list of attendances be amended to show that Councillor L Yorke-Davies was present.
- Minute 437 – delete “**Unanimous**” from the Resolution relating to Planning Application 6.100.879.G.
- Councillor C Willoughby’s declaration of interest re. Item 5 should read “Councillor represents HBC on Links Advisory Committee”.
- Minute 437 – Councillor Burdett’s declaration of interest re. Item 5 should read “Councillor represents KTC on Links Advisory Committee”.
- Minute 437 – The declarations of interest in the name of Councillor L Powell be amended to Councillor L Yorke-Davies.

**454 ITEM 4 - KTC PUBLIC SPEAKING SESSION**

a) Mr T Maude re. Item 10a.

Mr Maude updated Members on the amount raised so far (in excess of £20,000) and the numerous events planned for July – September. HBC would be fixing the seat at 12 noon on Thursday 3 July in the Market Place and everyone was welcome to attend. The Sculptress had been commissioned to commence work and the owners of Bolero in the Market Place had given use of their premises as a workshop. The Group expected to reach their target by the end of October and 26 April 2009 had been pencilled in as the official launch date.

The Mayor thanked Mr Maude for his informative update.

Item 10a) – Report of Meeting of Blind Jack Working Group held 17 June 2008

*(Having declared a prejudicial interest in item 10a) Councillor B Asquith left the Council Chamber and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon).*

**RESOLVED:** Receive and note. **Unanimous**

*(Councillor Asquith returned to the Chamber).*

b) Mrs J Welch, Mr M Margolis and Ms C Kelley re. Item 9e).

The 3 speakers outlined the aims of Harrogate Car Free Day, scheduled for 24 September 2008, and expressed the hope that Knaresborough could do something similar. A meeting had been arranged for Monday evening 7 July 2008 at the Borough Bailiff for anyone who was interested in the event and to try and raise the money required (between £400 and £500). The emphasis was on it being a fun event with some sort of incentives for those taking part. 24 September had been chosen to coincide with European Mobility Week. NYCC, the Bus Company, HBC, Police and Fire Services, Schools, Ackrills and some local businesses had all pledged to help.

Councillors were able to ask questions of the speakers.

Item 9e) – Harrogate Car Free Day 24 September 2008

Ref. letter dated 19 June 2008 from Mrs J Welch.

**RESOLVED:** That The Town Council supports a Car Free Day in Knaresborough on 24 September 2008 and that a KTC grant application form be sent to the organisers inviting them to apply for help with funding

It was also agreed that anyone interested in attending the meeting planned for Monday 7 July should contact Mrs Welch directly.

**455 ITEM 5 - BUSINESS REMAINING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S)**

None.

**456 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>
08/02594/ KIOSK*	BT Payphones	BT consultation on the proposed removal of public payphone kiosk – Telephone Box Wetherby Road.	No objections
08/02599/ KIOSK*	BT Payphones	BT consultation on the proposed removal of public payphone kiosk – Telephone Box Thistle Hill.	Object on the grounds that mobile phone reception is poor in this area which is a more remote part of the town with no alternative payphone in the vicinity.
<i>(Having declared a prejudicial interest in planning application 1447.E. below, Councillors J and K Hawkins left the Chamber and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon).</i>			
08/02444/ ADV* 1447.E.FUL	LIDL UK	Display of 1 internally illuminated fascia sign to front, 1 internally illuminated fascia sign to side and 2 internally illuminated wall mounted signs either side of entrance – York Road Nurseries, York Road.	Object on the following grounds : - The proposed signs are all too large. - The signs are all to be internally illuminated and the Town Council are of the opinion that the 2 low level wall mounted signs in particular could be a distraction to motorists as they are to be at road height. - KTC requests that if planning permission is to be granted, a condition be imposed that all signs are illuminated only when the store is open. <b>UNANIMOUS</b>

*(Councillors J and K Hawkins returned to the Chamber).*

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

\*\* Item for determination by Planning Committee

**457 ITEM 7 - PLANNING CORRESPONDENCE:**

- a) **Planning Enforcements** – (i) Confidential Papers (*see unpublished minutes*)  
(ii) Report of Investigation: 08/00279/PR15 - 3 Cragdale Rise

**RESOLVED:** Receive and note.

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b) **WITHDRAWN PLANNING APPLICATION:**

- i) 6.100.49.F.FUL – Demolition of existing buildings and erection of nine dwellings. (Site Area 0.193 ha) – land adjacent to 19 Halfpenny Lane.

**RESOLVED:** Receive and note.

c) To note the following application approved by HBC (**subject to conditions**) **contrary to KTC observations:**

6.100.136.G.FUL – Erection of single storey side extension, detached garage, 1 dormer window to east elevation, raising of roof height and conversion of loft to form additional living accommodation (Revised Scheme) – Kisdon, Forest Moor Road.

**RESOLVED:** Receive and note.

**458 ITEM 8 - HBC PLANNING COMMITTEE - Opportunity to Speak –Tuesday 1 July 2008 at 2.00pm Crescent Gardens, Harrogate.**

*(Having declared a prejudicial interest in item 8a) Councillor J Burdett left the Council Chamber and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon).*

**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) 6.100.882.A.FUL – Demolition of bungalow and erection of 8 dwellings, formation of vehicle access (Site Area 0.44ha) – Little Garth, Manse Lane.

*(Councillor J Burdett returned to the Chamber)*

- b) 6.100.2646.A.OUT – Outline application for the erection of two pairs of semi-detached dwellings with access, landscape, layout and scale considered (Site Area 0.08ha) (Revised Scheme) – 40 Hambleton Grove.

**459 ITEM 9 – CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) Pavement Parking – e-mail sent 8 June 2008 from Inspector Chapman, North Yorkshire Police. The Chair also read out a letter received from Mrs V Walker who had originally brought this matter to the Council's attention at the Annual Town Meeting.

**RESOLVED: (on the Chair's casting vote):** That a letter be sent to Inspector Chapman stating that the Town Council finds his reply to be unhelpful and ineffectual and requesting that the Police take action in all cases where there is no obvious need for parking on pavements. The Town Council also requests that Inspector Chapman updates us on a regular basis as to how many penalty tickets have been issued.

- b) Consultation Meetings with Parish Councils 2008/09 - letter dated 11 June 2008 from Senior Member Services Officer, HBC.

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**RESOLVED:** That the date of the Consultation Meeting – Wednesday 10 September 2008 at 8.00 pm at Ripon Town Hall - be noted and that possible Agenda items and KTC representatives be tabled as an agenda item for the next Council meeting on 14 July 2008.

c) Application for Funding – Knaresborough St John’s Primary School PTA.

*(Having declared a prejudicial interest in the above item (9c) Councillor C Willoughby left the Council Chamber and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon)*

**RESOLVED:** That a grant of £500 be made to Knaresborough St. John’s Primary School PTA and that a letter be sent to them:

- (i) advising of other organisations in the town to whom application might be made for grant funding (Knaresborough Relief in Need, Lions and Rotary), and
- (ii) suggesting that they source a cheaper way of funding the proposed sensory board.

*(Councillor C Willoughby returned to the Chamber).*

d) Guide to the Sustainable Communities Act – letter received 20 June 2008 from Local Works.

It was noted that the Town Council had given its support to the Bill for a Sustainable Communities Act and it was therefore

**RESOLVED:** That the Town Council await further information from the Government regarding an invitation to ‘opt in’ to the Sustainable Communities Act.

e) Harrogate Car Free Day – 24 September 2008 – letter dated 19 June 2008 from Mrs J Welch

(See Minute 454b).

f) Licensing Applications:

- (i) Lidl, York Road (07.00 – 23.00 Monday – Saturday and 09.00 – 18.00 Sundays) - e-mails and letters received from local residents.

*(Having declared a prejudicial interest in the above application, Councillors J and K Hawkins left the Council Chamber and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon).*

**RESOLVED:** That the Town Council support the local residents in objecting to any application for a Premises Licence which is outside the store’s opening hours.

*(Councillors J and K Hawkins returned to the Chamber).*

- (ii) Daddy Cool’s Nightclub, Market Place – e-mail dated 20 June 2008 from Inspector A. Chapman, Knaresborough Police.

**RESOLVED:** That the Town Council respond to Inspector Chapman’s e-mail stating that the Town Council would not wish to see any increase in the opening hours beyond those granted to

the previous operators of the Nightclub and urging the Police to object to the application on the grounds of the noise and detrimental effect which such an application would have on the neighbouring residential properties. *Unanimous*

**460 ITEM 10 - REPORTS AND MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS**

- a) Report of meeting of Blind Jack Working Group held 17 June 2008.

See Minute No. 454a).

**461 ITEM 11 – REPORTS FROM THE CLERK**

- a) **Consideration of KTC Annual Return 2007/2008 and b) Report of Internal Auditor**

**RESOLVED:** That the Annual Return (including Statement of Assurance, “yes” answers to all Boxes in Section 2) and report of Internal Auditor be approved.

**462 ITEM 12 – ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AS PER SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS 335**

*(Having declared a prejudicial interest in account nos. 41 and 44, Councillor Mrs P Godsell left the Chamber and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon. Councillor M Clemmitt took the Chair for accounts 41 and 44).*

**RESOLVED:** That the accounts for payments, amounting to £6,701.46 as detailed on Schedule of Accounts No.335 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 Godsell and Clemmitt signatories).*

**463 ITEM 13 - OTHER MOTIONS SUBMITTED BY MEMBERS - None**

**464 ITEM 14 – INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

- a) **Jacob Smith Park Consultation** – the second phase of consultation to take place simultaneously at the Park and at the Park Grove Methodist Hall on Saturday 5 July 2008 from 9.30 am – 2.30 pm). (Deputy Clerk)
- b) **Performance Area Committee** – last week a number of people from this Committee had an informal meeting with Lois Toyne, HBC Museums Officer who was able to explain how matters were likely to proceed. Reports will be brought to Council as things develop (Councillor A Willoughby).
- c) **Emergency Response Group** will be meeting tomorrow evening, 1<sup>st</sup> July at Knaresborough House (Councillor Burdett).
- d) **Town Twinning** – Next meeting to be held on 10 July at Knaresborough House (Councillor Clemmitt).
- e) **YLCA Branch Meeting** – the following matters had been discussed at a recent YLCA meeting attended by Councillor Godsell:
- 1) Road Gritting – there will be less gritting in the Harrogate Agency area in future.

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- 2) Quality Parish Status – Councils cannot apply for this unless the Clerk holds the CILCA (Certificate in Local Council Administration), and
- 3) Killinghall have won a temporary 12 month ban on HGVs (the Clerk to establish from HBC exactly which roads are the subject of the ban and to report back to the Council).

Councillor Godsell also mentioned the need for a second representative from KTC on the YLCA.

**465 ITEM 15 - TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS**

- a) 'Newslines' Summer 2008 - joint newsletter from the County Council and District Councils in North Yorkshire.
- b) Town Twinning Committee – Minutes of meeting held 8 May 2008 (arrangements for Bed Race Weekend).
- c) NYCC Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report for April 2007 – March 2008.
- d) Thank you from 2008 Bed Race Chairman for KTC's support of Bed Race and supply of Shield.

**RESOLVED:** Receive and note.

**Meeting ended at 9.15 pm**