

NORTON-ON-DERWENT TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held in the Council Chamber
Commercial Street, Norton-on-Derwent on Monday, 20 February 2012 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs D. Keal (Town Mayor) in the Chair;
Councillors K. Anderson, P. Farndale, A.R. Harrison, R. King, D. Lloyd-Williams,
D. K. Mennell, R. Milner, K. Reveley, H. Spencer, J.T. Stone.
Also Mrs R. Tierney.

160. (02/12) APOLOGIES

Apologies received and noted by the Clerk
Councillor Mrs J. Denniss

161. (02/12) GUEST SPEAKER

No guest speaker.

162. (02/12) PUBLIC SESSION

No member of the public spoke.

163. (02/12) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Lloyd-Williams declared an interest in agenda item 8 Grant Application, as the
Chairman of the Malton Museum Foundation.

164. (02/12) CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Monday, 16 January 2012
(Minutes 145 to 159 inclusive) be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

165. (02/12) CLERK'S REPORT

(a) Sign-age Closure Brambling Fields Junction

The reply from Mr Marr, Highway Area Manager, stated that the contractor on the Brambling
Fields site was looking at the sign-age with a possibility of putting a number of "Businesses
open as usual" signs up.

As there did not appear to be any progress being made with regard to the signs it was
agreed that the Clerk write direct to the contractors.

(b) Business Closures - supporting Norton

The Clerk had spoken to Louise Lunn from the Business Development Department at
Ryedale District Council.

Still awaiting a formal reply, but she had said that the department would do all that it could to
encourage new businesses and to support existing ones. The closure of ATS had been
brought to the attention of the Forward Planning Team but again no response had been
received to date. Noted

(c) Traffic Islands - Scarborough Road

The proposed traffic islands that are to form part of the new road junction for the Persimmons
development came under Section 278 works, which were not part of the original planning
application, but were designed during consultations with North Yorkshire County Council post
planning approval. They were to act as a refuge for pedestrians crossing the road and to stop
people using the right turn lane as an overtaking opportunity. Noted.

(d) Yorkshire Coastliner - Bus Timetables

With regard to the shuttle service operating between Malton and Norton, which did not start
early enough in the morning to connect with the 7.30am buses to either York or Scarborough,
the reply from the Integrated Passenger Transport Unit at North Yorkshire County Council
stated;

Unfortunately given the tightening financial position for local authority funding it would not be
possible to extend the operating hours of this shuttle service. Noted.

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165. (02/12) **CLERK'S REPORT** (continued)(e) Road Markings - Park Road

In reply to the query regarding the road markings at the junction of Park Road and Welham Road, Mr Marr had stated that they were not incorrect but that the road itself was not wide enough to be marked out for two way traffic. He pointed out that there were some roads where physically it was possible for two cars to pass but guidelines say are to narrow for a centre line to be marked Park Road was one such example. Noted.

(f) Ryedale Cameras in Action

The Clerk had received a request from the Treasurer of the Cameras in Action Committee for a meeting of the representatives from each of the three towns and the Town Clerks to meet with representatives from the District Council, to discuss funding issues. Any proposal arising from any such meeting would be brought before a future meeting of the Council for debate and resolution.

Agreed that the Clerk and Councillor Mennell, the Town Council's representative, attend the proposed meeting.

166. (02/12) **TOWN MAYOR/CHAIRMANS REPORT**(a) Senior Citizens Party

The Mayor reported that the party appeared to have been enjoyed by all, and that there had been no problems reported with the organisation or running, she then thanked all members for their help and assistance. Noted.

(b) ATS Site - Commercial Street

On speaking to the District Council, the Mayor reported that the site was on the market and that the sale was being handled by a firm from Leeds. The District Council were however trying to find out just who owned the land on either side of the ATS site, one side was known to be owned by a local gentleman, but the other side was unknown. The District Council had also asked their surveyor to carry out an appraisal of the whole site, and would keep the Town Council updated on any developments.

(c) Skatepark - Cameras in Action

The District Council were due to set their budget for the year 2012/13 on the same evening as the Town Council meeting, and it was feared that funding of both the Skatepark and the Cameras could be cut. One proposal that might be considered if this was to happen would be for part of the money from the New Homes Bonus Scheme be used to cover any shortfall. This item to be placed on the agenda when details of the District Council's budget were known.

(d) Diamond Jubilee

The Mayor reported that the community event for the Jubilee celebrations was organised for Monday 4 June 2012, and that it was to be held at the Rugby Club. The theme was to be "Great British Tea Party" and there were to be such things as a Cookery Competition, Children's Competitions and Events, a brass band, and members of the public encouraged to come along and picnic. In the evening a Dance was to be held at the Milton Rooms.

With regard to the Clock the Mayor had still not been able to contact the owner of the building, but the business owner was prepared for the satellite dish to be moved sideways. Noted.

167. (02/12) **FINANCIAL MATTERS**(a) Accounts paid and for payment

The Clerk reported that accounts nos. 166 to 173 inclusive, amounting to £4435.65, had been paid since the last meeting of the Council.

RESOLVED that account nos. 174 to 177 inclusive, amounting to £10935.88 be paid. Cheques were drawn and signed accordingly.

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167. (02/12) **FINANCIAL MATTERS** (continued)(b) Financial report

The Clerk's financial report for the period 01.01.12 to 31.01.12 was received.

(c) Budgetary monitoring

The Clerk's report for the period ending 31 January 2012 was received.

168. (02/12) **APPLICATION FOR GRANT**

Councillor Lloyd-Williams had declared an interest in this item.

Members received a request from Malton Museum for a grant to assist with the storage costs of the collections.

RESOLVED that the Council in accordance with its powers under section 137 and 139 of the Local Government Act 1972, should incur the following expenditure which in the opinion of the Council is in the interest of the area and its inhabitants and would benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure:-

Malton Museum awarded a grant of £1000.00

169. (02/12) **NORTON IN BLOOM - SUMMER 2012**

Members received a report as appended to the Minutes (Appendix 1), detailing the proposals and costings for the floral displays in Commercial Street, Church Street, and on the County Bridge, for summer 2012.

RESOLVED that the Town Council approve the proposals set out in the report, costs for the baskets and barrier baskets being £200.00 plus V.A.T.

170. (02/12) **PLANNING MATTERS**

Members received the following decisions on applications considered at the extra ordinary meeting of the Council held on Monday 6 February 2012.

12/00014/FUL Sub-division of existing 4no. two bedroom self contained residential apartments to provide 6no. one bedroom self contained residential apartments
64 Langton Road, Norton.
For Mr Richard Hopkinson.
RESOLVED Recommend Approval.

12/00028/FUL Change of use of industrial unit from B1 and B8 uses to dog grooming salon and apprentice training (Use Class D1)
Unit 2A Norton Grove Industrial Estate Westfield Way, Norton.
For Nose 2 Tail Grooming (Miss L Humphreys).
RESOLVED Recommend Approval.

12/00050/HOUSE Creation of 3no linked dormer windows to east elevation, 1no. dormer window and 2no. rooflights to west elevation.
60 Howe Road, Norton.
For Mrs D Skelton-Wallis
RESOLVED Recommend Refusal on the grounds that this is an over development of the building and is out of keeping with the surrounding properties. This estate won an architectural and design award when built which members consider needs to be taken into consideration when any alteration to the look of any of the properties is proposed.

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170. (02/12) **PLANNING MATTERS** (continued)(a) Planning applications referred to the Town Council by Ryedale District Council and North Yorkshire County Council, for comment and/or recommendation were dealt with as follows: -

- 11/01353/FUL Change of use of building from B1 office use to mixed use of B1 and D1 (non-residential institutions) to include external access ramp with handrail, alteration to existing steps to include handrail, automated swing entrance doors and formation of new entrance.
Stanley Harrison House, Norton Road, Norton.
For Ryedale District Council.
RESOLVED Recommend Approval.
- 11/01354/LBC External and internal alterations to include external access ramp with handrail, alterations to existing steps including handrail, alterations to internal layout with demountable partitioning, installation of platform lift, new entrance and access doors and secondary glazing to 5no. windows.
Stanley Harrison House, Norton Road, Norton.
For Ryedale District Council.
RESOLVED Recommend Approval.
- 12/00131/HOUSE Erection of two storey extension to rear elevation and erection of porch to side elevation.
21 Eastfield Avenue, Norton.
For Mr Alan Gibson.
RESOLVED Recommend Approval.

(b) Planning decisions notified by Ryedale District Council:Approved

- 11/00856/HOUSE Erection of single-storey extension to south elevation (revised details to refusal 11/00035/HOUSE dated 21.03.11).
22 The Gallops, Norton.
- 11/01286/HOUSE Creation of 2no. Dormer windows to front and rear elevations.
22 Rosedale Avenue, Norton.

Refused

- 11/01208/ADV Display of 1n. Externally illuminated double sided logo sign mounted on freestanding brick upright.
Lidl Foodstore 4A Welham Road, Norton.

Planning Appeal

- 11/01129/HOUSE Erection of two-storey rear extension following demolition of existing single-storey extension.
21 St Peter's Crescent, Norton.
Decision expected within 8 weeks.

(b)(i) To consider Street Names for the Persimmons Development, Scarborough Road

Members were asked to consider street names put forward by the developer for the three roads that would make up the estate.

RESOLVED that the Council has no objections to the Following street names proposed:-

- "Westfield Avenue"
- "Priorpot Lane"
- "Nursery Way"

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170. (02/12) **PLANNING MATTERS** (continued)

- (d) To consider the Council's response to the consultation on the Ryedale Plan, Local Plan Strategy document

Members considered the Strategy document section by section, having regard to what the Town Council had said on previous occasions, and with the policies pertaining to the proposed Neighbourhood Plan.

The Town Council's response was then formulated expressing the points of concern raised. Appended No.2 to the Minutes.

171. (02/12) **DIGITAL MAPPING**

Members received a report on the presentation given to members by Pear Technology on the 6 February 2012, with regard to the mapping and record keeping of the cemetery. The report outlined the possible costs involved with mapping not only Norton Cemetery but also possible cost savings if Malton were to undertake the mapping of their cemeteries as well. RESOLVED to place this item on the agenda for a future meeting when Malton's reaction would be known.

172. (02/12) **CORRESPONDENCE**

- (a) Ryedale Safer Neighbourhoods Team - Monthly Crime Statistics for the month of December 2011, for Malton and Norton. For information. Noted.
- (b) Ryedale Safer Neighbourhoods Team - Monthly Crime Statistics for the month of January 2012, for Malton and Norton. For information. Noted.
- (c) Fitzwilliam (Malton) Estate - Letter to members outlining issues raised at the briefing given to the two Town Councils regarding the Riverside park and riverbank in general. RESOLVED that this item be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.
- (d) North Yorkshire County Council - Proposed Road Traffic Order Prohibition of Heavy Commercial Vehicles except for access, Bazley's Lane/Whitewall Norton on Derwent. For information. Noted.
- (e) Malton and Norton Library - Observations from Mr Glyn Wild. For information. Agreed that the Clerk write and thank Mr Wild for taking the time to inform the Council of his thoughts.
- (f) Yorkshire Local Councils Associations - Newsletter, White Rose Update. For information. The Clerk to make inquiries into having a beacon for the Diamond Jubilee celebrations.
- (g) Rural Action Yorkshire - Newsletter, Country Air. Copy available in the office. For information. Noted.
- (h) Ryedale District Council - Letter outlining the policy for the allocation of the New Homes Bonus. For information. Noted.
- (i) Skipton-East Lancashire Rail Action Partnership - Request for a letter of support for the re-opening of the Colne to Skipton rail link. RESOLVED that the Town Council send a letter wholeheartedly supporting the re-opening of the Colne to Skipton rail link.
- (j) Ryedale Citizens Advice Bureau - Thank you for grant. For information. Noted.

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173. (02/12) **REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER ORGANISATIONS**

- (a) Councillor King reported on his attendance at:
- The Malton and Norton
Community Police CaP Meeting.

174. (02/12) **MEMBERS' QUESTIONS**

- (a) Councillor Harrison reported weeds growing in the gutters of Kingston Drive and could something be done about them. The Clerk to report the matter to the Highway Authority.
- (b) Councillor King made the point that in his opinion the press had not reported the Council's recommendation on the sign-age for the Car Wash in Church Street properly, which had caused confusion for the owners of the competing car wash, and so as to make things clear, would it be possible for the Clerk to contact the planning authority and ask when the decision would be known. The Clerk agreed to do so.
- (c) Councillor King reported that the parking restrictions on Commercial Street were not being adhered to and could this be reported. The Clerk to make enquiries of the local Police.
- (d) Councillor King enquired if a 'Dog Bin' could be installed along Scarborough Road as the problem along there was getting worse. The Clerk to find out if there was a suitable location.
- (e) Councillor Stone asked if it would be possible for the Council to send a message of congratulation, to the Queen on her Diamond Jubilee.
This item to be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

175. (02/12) **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Town Council be held on Monday, 19 March 2012 at 7.00pm, in the Council Chamber.

(Meeting closed at 10.00pm)

_____(Chairman)

