

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, 21 January 2013 at 7.00pm.

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

144. (01/13) **APOLOGIES**

- (a) Apologies received and noted by the Clerk;
Councillor R. King
- (b) The Mayor welcomed the newly co-opted Councillors, Jonathan Gray and
Ms Marian Hodgson.
Both new members had signed their Declaration of Acceptance of Office, prior to the start of
the meeting.

145. (01/13) **GUEST SPEAKER**

Councillor Martin Dales, Chairman of Ryedale Cameras in Action

Members welcomed Councillor Dales who had agreed to give a short presentation on the
role and possible future of the cameras.

He began with a brief history of the cameras and how with the assistance of a Home Office
Grant the scheme had been installed more or less as it was known today.

For the future it was believed that the system should be a 24/7 operation and to that end it
was hoped to replicate the monitoring into Ryedale House, enabling fully vetted volunteers to
assist with the monitoring. The Cameras in Action committee had agreed to set aside
£12,000 for this to happen.

The next phase would be to consider new technologies, along with trying to widen the
partnership involved with the cameras, although sadly it was noted that Pickering Town
Council had taken the decision to withdraw from the scheme.

Following a question and answer session, the Mayor thanked Councillor Dales for sparing
the time to attend.

146. (01/13) **PUBLIC SESSION**

No member of the public present.

147. (01/13) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Lloyd-Williams declared an interest in agenda item 9(b) Request from Malton and
Norton Area Partnership for a grant towards the regular maintenance of the Malton and
Norton Web Site.

Councillors Mrs Keal and Spencer both declared an interest in agenda item 9(c) Request
from the Derwent Riverside Project for the grant towards the maintenance of Castle
Gardens.

148. (01/13) **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

- (a) RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Town Council Budget meeting held on Monday, 17
December 2012 (Minutes 125 to 128 inclusive) be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.
- (b) RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Monday, 17 December
2012 (Minutes 129 to 143 inclusive) be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

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149. (01/13) **CLERK'S REPORT**(a) Grass Cutting Contracts

Scarborough Borough Council had agreed to offer a discount of 5% on both contracts therefore the following applied to each contract for the year 2013/14;

Grass Verge cutting £8064.00 - 5% = £7660.80

Play Area cutting £3108.00 - 5% = £2952.60

Noted by members.

(b) Malton, Norton & District Road Safety Committee

The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from Mr Cyril Shreeve the Secretary of the Road Safety Committee, stating that as no one had come forward in the last year to take on the role of secretary the committee had now been formally wound up.

As this committee had been supported in its expenditure by both Malton Town Council and Norton on Derwent Town Council the balance from the Road Safety Committee's Bank Account amounting to £104.00 had been repaid to both councils in equal amounts. A cheque for £52.00 had been included with the letter.

It was suggested that the Police Cap Committee might agree take on the road safety matters for the area.

Members agreed a letter of thanks should be sent to Mr Shreeve.

(c) Cemetery MattersDog Fouling

Request from the Cemetery Manager would members consider the complete banning of dogs from the Cemetery.

The issue of dog fouling was becoming more of a problem, and people were bringing dogs into the cemetery purely to give them exercise.

It was agreed to place this matter on the agenda for the next meeting, and the Clerk to make enquiries of Mr Dunn the Ryedale Dog Warden.

Former Chapel of Rest

To report receipt of an e. mail from a Jacqui Morley a resident of Langton Road, making enquiries as to the possibility of renting the chapel for meditation classes.

Members all agreed that this was not an option and would not consider it.

150. (01/13) **TOWN MAYOR/CHAIRMANS REPORT**

(a) The Mayor reported on her attendance at;

- The Derwent Swimming Gala.

Noted by members.

(b) Flooding

The Mayor reported on the setting up of a small residents group who were meeting with various official bodies as well as meeting with County Councillor Shaw. Residents were looking for a permanent solution to the problem.

(c) Bowling Club

The Mayor reported that an open meeting was arranged for Sunday the 3 February at 3.00pm when options were to be discussed. All were invited.

As things stood at the moment the club was due to close at the end of March 2013.

(d) Ryedale Street Scene Matters

Due to the bad weather Ryedale were struggling to keep to the schedule of waste collections for the area.

Also, due to the weather all the Public Toilets in Ryedale had been closed.

Noted.

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151. (01/13) **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

(a) Accounts paid and for payment

The Clerk reported that accounts nos. 172 to 185 inclusive, amounting to £7069.45, had been paid since the last meeting of the Council.

RESOLVED that account nos. 186 to 189 inclusive, amounting to £6923.06 be paid. Cheques were drawn and signed accordingly.

(b) Financial report

The Clerk's financial report for the period 01.12.12 to 31.12.12 was received.

(c) Budgetary monitoring

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

(d) Precept for 2013/14

Members received a report with the formula for calculating the precept, appended 1 to the minutes, along with the options available.

RESOLVED that the total amount required for 2013/14 was £102,000.00. With the grant from Ryedale being £11,767.09 the precept asked for would be £90,232.91 Making Band D Tax £41.02 an increase of 4.04%

152. (01/13) **PLANNING MATTERS**

(a) Planning applications referred to the Town Council by Ryedale District Council, for comment and/or recommendation were dealt with as follows: -

13/00004/HOUSE Erection of single storey extension to rear and side elevations.
68 Welham Road, Norton.
For Mr H Wilson
RESOLVED Recommend Approval.

13/00020/HOUSE Erection of two storey extension to the rear.
54 Langton Road, Norton.
For Mr & Mrs S Finnerty
RESOLVED Recommend Approval.

13/00005/FUL Erection of 2no. four bed dwellings, 3no. three bed dwellings and 4no. two bed dwellings on plots 65 - 69 and additional plots 187 - 190 to replace the existing approved layout for these plots under 09/00829/MFUL dated 05.01.2011.
Land at Westfield Nurseries, Scarborough Road, Norton.
For Persimmon Homes Yorkshire (Mr Richard Hosie).
RESOLVED Recommend Refusal. Reasons as for 13/00006/MFUL.

13/00006/MFUL Erection of 1no. four bed dwelling, 10no. three bed dwellings, 7no. two bed dwellings and 4no. one bed dwellings on plots 87 and 88, 98 - 107, 114 - 118 and additional plots 191 - 197 to replace existing approved layout for these plots under 09/00829/MFUL dated 05.01.2011.
Land at Westfield Nurseries, Scarborough Road, Norton.
For Persimmon Homes Yorkshire (Mr Richard Hosie).
RESOLVED Recommend Refusal on the grounds that this is an overdevelopment, which will cause even more gross congestion, with a lack of adequate parking facilities. Put even more strain on already inadequate infrastructure within the town namely the local Primary School, but crucially put even more pressure on a sewage system that is at breaking point. It should be noted that all drainage has to be pumped to the far end of Malton past the York Road Industrial Estate, so it will not be the residents of this estate that has to suffer but the residents in the area adjacent to the railway crossing, as witnessed during the recent bad weather.

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152. (01/13) **PLANNING MATTERS** (continued)

(b) Planning decisions notified by Ryedale District Council:

Approved

12/00972/FUL Erection of a 14.7m high monopole mast with 3No. 2G antennas above in an open head frame to a maximum height of 17.5m, with 3No. Equipment cabinets at ground level within 1.8m high pallisade fenced 5m x 5m compound.
Land at Malton Railway Sports and Social Club, Welham Road, Norton.

12/01039/HOUSE Erection of single storey extensions to the north and west elevations.
2 Brook Lodge Gardens, Norton.

12/01107/HOUSE Erection of rear single storey extension.
5 Glenmore Drive, Norton.

Appeal Decision

12/00580/FUL Siting of container for storage of washing equipment and container as a workers shelter, erection of car port to provide area for valeting/polishing of cars, and erection of entrance and exit gates - part retrospective (revised details to refusal 11/01335/FUL dated 14.03.2012).

The Appeal is Allowed.

153. (01/13) **GRANTS AND DONATIONS**

(a) Ryedale Cameras in Action

To consider the request from Ryedale Cameras in Action to pay the Town Council's contribution towards the upkeep of the cameras. Deferred from August 2012.

RESOLVED that a contribution of £3000.00 be paid for the year 2012/13.

(b) Malton & Norton Web Site

Councillor Lloyd-Williams had declared an interest in the following item.

To consider a request from the Malton and Norton Area Partnership for a grant towards the regular maintenance of the Malton and Norton Web Site.

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 interests of the area and its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure:-

Malton & Norton Web Site grant £250.00

Voting was: 8 for the expenditure
2 against the expenditure (Councillors Mrs Keal, and Spencer)
1 abstention (Councillor Anderson)
Councillor Lloyd-Williams did not vote.

(c) Castle Gardens

Councillors Mrs Keal and Spencer had both declared an interest in the following item.

To consider the request from the Derwent Riverside Project for the grant towards the maintenance of Castle Gardens

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 interests of the area and its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure:-

Maintenance grant for Castle Gardens £500.00

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154. (01/13) **NORTON IN BLOOM - SUMMER 2013**

Members received a report as appended to the Minutes (Appendix 2), detailing the proposals and costings for the floral displays in Commercial Street, Church Street, and on the County Bridge for summer 2013.

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 interests of the area and its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure:-

Total costs for the baskets and barrier baskets being £950.00 plus V.A.T.

155. (01/13) **SKATE PARK**

Members received a report detailing the Terms of reference for the transfer of responsibility, for the fixtures and fittings of the Skate Park, Norton Road, Norton from Ryedale District Council to Norton on Derwent Town Council.

RESOLVED that the terms of reference are approved.

The Clerk to liaise with Malton Town Council Clerk, Mr Skehan, to move forward with a new lease for the Skate Park from the Fitzwilliam Estate.

156. (01/13) **CORRESPONDENCE**

(a) Ryedale Safer Neighbourhoods Team - monthly crime statistics for December 2012, for Malton and Norton. For information. Noted.

(b) North Yorkshire County Council Highways - Proposed Additional Pair of Speed Cushions, Beverley Road, Norton.

Members were unable to reach any decision as to approving or otherwise the proposed speed cushions, as the location map used to show their position was out of date and did not show where the road entrances to the new estate on Beverley Road were situated. As these were critical to the position of the new speed cushions members asked that any decision by the County Council be delayed until such time as a correct map could be produced.

Members also asked if the Clerk would contact Mr Marr the Area Highway Manager and ask if he would be available to attend the next meeting of the Council.

The Clerk agreed to contact Mr Marr.

(c) District Councillor Mrs Elizabeth Shields - Request to continue holding ward surgeries in the Council Chamber.

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs Shields be allowed to continue holding ward surgeries in the Council Chamber.

157. (01/13) **REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER ORGANISATIONS**

Councillor Mennell reported on the Malton & Norton Dispensary Fund

Members received a briefing note on the history and organisation of the Dispensary Fund.

Noted by members.

Councillor Mennell reported on his attendance at:

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The Ryedale Area Committee.

Noted.

158. (01/13) **MEMBERS' QUESTIONS**

(a) Councillor Anderson informed members that there was a dangerous pot hole on Scarborough Road.

Councillor Gray reported on the terrible condition of Church Street.

Both items were noted, and as Mr Marr was to be invited to attend the next meeting all such matters could be brought to his attention directly.

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158. (01/13) **MEMBERS' QUESTIONS** (continued)

- (b) Councillor Mrs Keal asked about the Notice Board at the entrance to the Car Park in Church Street, and if it was any clearer who actually owned it.
The Clerk to make more enquiries.

159. (01/13) **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Town Council be held on Monday, 18 February 2013 at 7.00pm, in the Council Chamber.

(Meeting closed at 9.00pm)

_____(Chairman)

