

Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held in the Council Chamber
Commercial Street, Norton-on-Derwent on Monday 21 March 2016 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT Councillor R. King (Mayor) in the Chair;
Councillors B. Barrett, A. Croser, Mrs D. Keal, P. Mooring, Mrs A Spencer,
H. Spencer, D Lloyd-Williams.
Also Mrs R. Tierney, Mr T. Hicks

181. (03/16) **APOLOGIES AND CO-OPTION TO COUNCIL**

(a) Apologies

Apologies received and noted by the clerk:
Councillor Mrs B. Wright

(b) Co-option to Council, Norton East Ward

Members received a co-option application from Mrs Sharon Cawte, to be considered for the vacant position in Norton East Ward.

RESOLVED that Mrs Sharon Cawte be co-opted to serve as councillor for Norton East Ward.

182. (03/16) **GUEST SPEAKER**

No guest speaker.

183. (03/16) **PUBLIC SESSION**

Mr M campion. A local Racing Trainer based at Whitewall Stables in Norton raised the issue of large HGV vehicles using the lane across from Whitewall to Bazley's Lane. Stating that he would like to see the lane returned to being a bridleway closed off to traffic with a bollard system.
Noted by members.

184. (03/16) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

(a) Councillors Mrs A Spencer and H. Spencer both declared an interest in Agenda item 9 Discussion on Bazley's Lane, as residents.

(b) Councillor Mrs Keal declared an interest in an agenda item, under 8 Planning Matters.

185. (03/16) **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Monday, 15 February 2016 (Minutes 163 to 180 inclusive) be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

186. (03/16) **CLERK'S REPORT**

(a) Fencing South Parade and The Chase

To report that fencing across the Mill Street end of South Parade had now been erected, so as to prevent cyclists and pedestrians from emerging straight out into oncoming traffic.

Fencing at The Chase Play Area had also had to be repaired as a matter of urgency. Accounts for both were awaited.

(b) Condition of Chamber

To report that the Yorkshire Housing surveyor had inspected the chamber. No further information to date.

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186. (03/16) **CLERK'S REPORT** (continued)(c) North Yorkshire Household Waste Recycling Centres

To report changes to the opening times to be implemented from 1 April 2016;

- April to September 8.30am to 5.00pm;
- October to March 8.30am to 4.00pm.

Charges for vehicle tyres to be implemented from 1 April 2016, charges to start from £1.70 per tyre.

Members noted the changes with dismay, and it was agreed that the Clerk would write asking if there was any possibility that the Recycling Centre could perhaps open later on a morning so as to stay open until 7.00pm on at least two days in the week.

(d) Beverley Road Development Site

To report that a meeting with the potential developers of the site had been arranged for, Monday 4 April 2016 at 7.00pm in the Council Chamber.

All members were invited to attend. A formal invite to attend would be sent out the week after Easter.

187. (03/16) **TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Mayor apologised to members, stating that he had no report to make.

188. (03/16) **FINANCIAL MATTERS**(a) Accounts paid and for payment

The Clerk reported that accounts nos. 247 to 254 inclusive, amounting to £6,668.41 had been paid since the last meeting of the Council.

RESOLVED that account nos. 255 to 258 inclusive, amounting to £2,599.75 be paid. Cheques were drawn and signed accordingly.

(b) Financial report

The Clerk's financial report for the period 01.02.16 to 29.02.16 was received.

(c) Budgetary monitoring

The Clerk's report for the period ending 29 February 2016 was received.

189. (03/16) **PLANNING MATTERS**(a) Planning applications referred to the Town Council by Ryedale District Council, for comment and/or recommendation were dealt with as follows: -

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| 16/00206/MFUL | Demolition of existing social club and erection of a three storey building to accommodate 9no. two bedroom flats and change of use and alteration of ground floor of no. 98 to form 1no. two bedroom flat together with associated car parking, cycle spaces and maneuvering space.
98 & 100 Commercial Street, Norton, Malton
For: Redfern Developments Ltd (Mrs M Redfern)
<u>RESOLVED</u> Recommend Approval, subject to the provision of one additional parking space, making one parking space per unit. |
| 16/00223/HOUSE | Erection of single storey lean-to extension to north elevation to replace existing porch.
44 Scarborough Road, Norton, Malton.
For: Mr D Grayson.
<u>RESOLVED</u> Recommend Approval |
| 16/00246/HOUSE | Erection of part two storey/part first floor extension to rear elevation.
61 Parliament Street, Norton, Malton.
For: Mr A Sedman.
<u>RESOLVED</u> Recommend Approval |

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189. (03/16) **PLANNING MATTERS** (continued)

16/00237/FUL Erection of a three-bedroom dwelling with attached garage on land south of private road.
Land to rear of 72 Welham Road, Norton, Malton.
For: Mr & Mrs D Whattam.
RESOLVED Recommend Approval

15/01441/FUL Change of use and alterations of the Coach House to form a 3no. bedroom dwelling.
Building adjacent to Beverley House, Scarborough Road, Norton, Malton.
For: Mr & Mrs M Simmons.
RESOLVED Recommend Approval

(b) To receive decisions notified by Ryedale District Council.

Approved

16/00024/HOUSE Erection of attached single garage to side of dwelling.
38 Evergreen Way, Norton, Malton.

15/01004/FUL Erection of a three bedroom detached dwelling to include formation of vehicular access, parking and amenity area.
Land East of 72 Parliament Street, Norton, Malton.

16/00083/HOUSE Erection of single storey extension to west elevation to form a garden room and installation of a flat roof with lantern light over the courtyard between the dwelling and east side outbuildings to form a car port to include raising of northern boundary wall of courtyard.
Wold House Langton Road, Norton, Malton.

16/00005/FUL Replacement of existing play equipment (excluding the Springer) by the Playdale New Wave Plus (green) plastic slide system within the Public Open Space Area.
Cheesecake Farm, Beverley Road, Norton, Malton.

Appeal Dismissed

15/00811/HOUSE Erection of a single storey lean-to extension to replace a porch and bay window.
44 Wold Street, Norton Malton.

(c) To receive notification of a new site submission from Ryedale District Council

Members received notification of the new site which was the large parcel of land lying to the east of Norton adjacent to the Norton Grove Industrial Estate and stretching as far as the A64 bypass.

Members were firmly against the potential of development, as with all other sites in the town as significant problems still remain concerning, congestion, air quality, inadequate sewer capacity, flooding and drainage and these should be addressed and fixed before any further development. It was also contested that this site does not have any bearing with the current shape of the town.

The clerk to inform Ryedale District Council of member's objections.

190. (03/16) **BAZLEY'S LANE**

Members discussed various issues with traffic using this lane, and many possible ways in which the problems could be solved. Including further reducing the speed limit to 20mph, installing traffic calming measures at either end, and even installing physical chicanes to prevent lorries' from accessing the lane.

It was agreed that the best way forward was to invite Mr Marr, the Area 4 Highway Manager, or one of his senior colleagues to attend a meeting with members, and also make a site visit.

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191. (03/16) **FLOODING ISSUES**

Members received a copy of the response from North Yorkshire County Council to Councillor Keal's letter.

Councillor Mrs Keal stated that the response was as expected. Also that there was still no sign of the gully being installed under the railway line which would then allow for the pumps to be installed.

Members also felt that if a meeting with Mr Marr was to be arranged perhaps road surface issues could be addressed as well.

192. (03/16) **NORTON IN BLOOM – SUMMER 2016**

Members received a report detailing the proposals and costings for the floral displays in Commercial Street, Church Street and on the County Bridge for summer 2016.

RESOLVED that the Council in accordance with its powers under section 137 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 £1,040.00 plus V.A.T.

Watering and maintaining for a period of 14 weeks approximately £1,120.00

Members also resolved to accept the offer of a three year contract from Plantscape for the baskets and barrier baskets, with prices fixed for three years with this being the first year.

193. (03/16) **FRACKING DISPLAY**

Members discussed the proposal from Mrs Gwilliam that she would like to host an anti-fracking display in the Council Chamber, even though this could give rise to the potential for a pro-fracking display.

RESOLVED: to allow Mrs Gwilliam the use of the Council Chamber to host an anti-fracking display.

194. (03/16) **CORRESPONDENCE**

- (a) White Rose Update – March newsletter from the Yorkshire Local Councils Association. For information.
- (b) North Yorkshire Police and Ryedale Safer Neighbourhoods Team – Local Crime Update and Statistics. For information. Noted.
- (c) Environment Agency – Tree Work to island on County Bridge. For information. Councillor Mrs Keal was to raise this issue at the next Drainage Board meeting, in the hope of bringing forward further work to the river bank.
- (d) Ryedale Community and Leisure Centre – Grant request. For information at this stage. The Clerk to write acknowledging the request and stating that it would be considered at the Grant meeting in the next financial year.
- (e) North Yorkshire County Council – Changes to Christmas Lighting Displays attached to North Yorkshire lamp posts. For information.
- (f) Letter from Mr Inman concerning postal collections. For information. The Clerk to write to Royal Mail asking for clarification on collection times, and to inform Mr Inman of the same.
- (g) Letter from Mr Fieldsend concerning HGVs trying to access the industrial estate from Parliament Street. For information. Letter to be forwarded to Highways.
- (h) Letter from PC Jane Jones concerning Whitewall. For information.
- (i) Stronger Communities Presentation, by Sarah Robinson, Stronger Communities Delivery Manager, at Ryedale District Council. For information.

195. (03/16) **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

Members received an update on the meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Group, held on the 10 March, along with the Minutes of the meeting. Members were asked to consider representation on the various focus groups, and to attend the meeting being arranged at the Ryedale Community Leisure Centre on the 20 April 2016. Noted.

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196. (03/16) **REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER ORGANISATIONS**

- (a) Councillor Croser reported on his attendance at the Ryedale Five Towns Group meeting held at Community House, Wentworth Street, Malton. Various topics had been discussed including 106 Planning money availability, Investment of Council money, and the Long Distance Walkers Association 100 Mile Walk, which was due to start and finish in Malton.
- (b) Councillor Mrs Keal was pleased to report that Castle Gardens was due to have new seating installed which would hopefully be far more substantial, and that they were working with Derwent Training. English Heritage working with recovering injured Service Personnel via Operation Nightingale were also due to do some work on the site.

197. (03/16) **MEMBERS QUESTIONS**

Councillor Croser had noted the new Town Entrance Signs and the newly installed fencing at South Parade, however he was appalled at the continued state of Commercial Street even though he had contacted Street Scene at Ryedale District Council as had the Clerk.

In response the Clerk stated that Mr Keith Biggins from Street Scene had left a message on the answering machine to contact him, this would be done as soon as possible.

Councillor Mrs Keal stated that there appeared to be a problem with the street light at the end of Springfield Garth which was constantly out, it was thought that this was due to being shot at by some kind of 'Air Rifle'. The County Council were working on a solution.

198. (03/16) **EXCLUDED ITEM**

RESOLVED that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, members of the press and public are excluded for the following item of business as the Council considers that the business to be transacted is prejudicial to the public interest.

Changes to Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

Members received a report outlining the changes to the role of Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer.

Both the Clerk and the Deputy Clerk left the Chamber during the discussion.

No decision made by members this to be discussed at a later date.

199. (03/16) **DATE OF THE NEXT ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

RESOLVED that the next ordinary meeting of the Council be held on Monday, 18 April 2016, at 7.00pm, in the council chamber.

(Meeting closed at 9.15pm)

_____(Chairman)