

Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held in the Council Chamber
Commercial Street, Norton-on-Derwent on Monday 19 July 2021 at 6.30pm.

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

037. (07/21) **APOLOGIES**

Apologies received, Councillor Mrs L Burr MBE

038. (07/21) **GUEST SPEAKER**

Skatepark Campaign
All speakers were in support of the campaign to save the large half pipe.

Chairman Malton and Norton Area Partnership, Councillor M Brampton.
Point 1. In regard to health and safety the ROSPA guidance should be followed making it a relatively safe place, and if followed it was unlikely that anyone would be found negligent. Better signage required and regular inspections.
Point 2. Work so far, apologised for not informing the council of their insurance details, prior to commencing work to strip off the surfacing of the half pipe. All volunteers were competent and received instruction from specialists. The steel structure was found to be in good condition.
Point 3. It was proposed that the next phase should be taken forward with the support of volunteers which was outstanding this was an amazing opportunity to take forward.

Christina Watson, Chief Executive Officer of In Chief, a media company specialising in stories on social media.
With skateboarding being included in the Olympics for the first time this year the interest in the sport had grown by a large extent, and the campaign to save the half pipe was seen as an opportunity to secure funding from a major sponsor.
Funding of £15,000 was secured for the campaign.

The Mayor thanked both speakers.

039. (07/21) **PUBLIC SESSION**

Up to 20 members of the public in attendance.
All attended to support the campaign to save the large half pipe.
Ryan Swain, asked why certain council members were against the half pipe and stated that it would be a shame if they voted against.
Other comments made were that the half pipe should be kept to benefit the community and that in having the skatepark as a facility for young people it helped with mental health as well as physical wellbeing.

040. (07/21) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest made.

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041. (07/21) **SKATEPARK**

The proposal from the Malton and Norton Area Partnership for phase 2 of the half pipe refurbishment was as follows;

The steel structure to be sanded down and painted with a proprietary product selected by the projects specialist volunteers. This will protect the frame from further corrosion and extend the life of the half pipe considerably.

Any small repairs will be made by the project group's team of specialist volunteers from the local fabrication companies.

The relaying of the skate ramp will then be done by the project teams preferred professional skate ramp builder, A1 Ramps. This will include surfaces on the towers platforms at each end.

The exterior of the structure will be provided with cladding, designed and installed by the projects specialist volunteers. This will enhance the appearance, prevent climbing of the structure and provide a base for signage.

There will be no cost to Norton Town Council or Malton and Norton Area Partnership.

The project has received generous committed support from both local and national businesses, sufficient to complete the project.

The finished structure will carry logos and names of the contributing companies, and also a full story board describing the history of the half pipe and its refurbishment.

Members of the council had all received a report from the newly appointed competent person looking at all aspects of health and safety, which pointed out the defects with the half pipe that required remedial action in order to meet the requirements of the ROSPA report.

Following lengthy debate with many points raised the proposal from the Area Partnership was put to the vote

RESOLVED that the proposal from the Area Partnership for phase 2 of the half pipe refurbishment is not supported.

Voting was 4 for the proposal and 5 against.

Following the vote the meeting was interrupted, with councillors Mrs Di Keal, Ray King, John Howard, John Mackenzie, and Philip Mooring all leaving.

042. (07/21) **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Town Council Meeting, held on Monday, 21 June 2021 (Minutes 019 to 036 inclusive) be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

043. (07/21) **CLERK'S REPORT**

Yorkshire Water investigation work at Malton Norton Water Treatment Works

I'm emailing to let the town council know that we're starting some investigation work near our Malton and Norton water treatment works, which is located to the south of Norton at Howe Hill between the B1248 Beverley Road and Langton Road. The investigation works are to help us to design a scheme to build a new covered service reservoir, used to store water after treatment, and to drill a new borehole. The water that we treat to supply local customers comes from deep underground from aquifers which are water bearing rocks after it has filtered through the ground over many years and is a source of high-quality drinking water. Boreholes are large shafts that are drilled into the ground allowing us to abstract the water to be treated where it is then stored in a service reservoir before supplying local customers and businesses. This work will ensure we can continue to supply safe and clean high-quality drinking water for the future and enable us to complete maintenance works on the existing boreholes.

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043. (07/21) **CLERK'S REPORT** (continued)Yorkshire Water investigation work at Malton Norton Water Treatment Works (continued)

From Monday 26 July 2021 our capital partners Peter Duffy Limited will commence these investigations which will take until the end of September 2021 to complete. Our normal working hours will be Monday to Friday 8am to 5pm.

On occasions we may need to work a little later. Initial works will involve a topographic and utility survey of the fields near the water treatment works and either side of Beverley Road and also along Beverley Road near to this vicinity. Whilst we complete this work along the verges and carriageway, for the safety of our site team and road users, temporary traffic management will be in operation for 2 to 3 days.

From Monday 16 August 2021 work will start to install an access road from Beverley Road, north of its junction with the Settrington to High Mowthorpe road, in to the field to the western side of the highway which will allow access to our work area near to our water treatment works. For the safety of road users and the site team, we'll again need to have temporary traffic management in operation as we create the new entrance way. Customers in the vicinity may notice an increase in traffic as we deliver materials to build the new access road and deliver machinery for this work.

From approximately 6 September 2021 work will then start to drill and test the new bore hole. We're writing to customers in the local area and have made contact with one of the jockey trainers who is assisting notifying other trainers in the area.

Throughout these investigations we won't need access inside anyone's property and customer's water and wastewater services won't be affected. We've also advised customers to always be aware of bogus callers and before letting anyone in please make sure they ask to see their identification. Please be assured we'll do everything we can to keep disruption to a minimum and complete the work as safely and as quickly as possible.

If the town council have any questions about this work please contact either myself or our customer experience team on 0344 848 1099 (Monday to Thursday 8am to 5.30pm and 8am to 5pm on Friday) and quote capital YW.200836.

Grants to Voluntary Organisations

To report that Grant Applications were to be considered at the September meeting of the Town Council. Usual conditions would apply and all applications must be accompanied with the latest set of accounts.

Details to be posted on the website and noticeboard.

044. (07/21) **TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Mayor reported on the following;

Five Towns Meeting

The Mayor and Clerk, had both attended the Five Towns meeting held via Zoom on Tuesday 22 June 2021, and hosted by Helmsley Town Council. The guest speaker was the Town Centre Ambassador Mr Adrian Hamilton, who outlined his role within the towns and was in the process of meeting and working with all the towns and working with all departments at Ryedale District Council. Funding was being sought to make improvements to all the town centres with enhancement to the floral displays. Bridget Skaife the Community Team Leader for Ryedale District Council also gave a presentation on the wide ranging work of the Community Link Team.

Norton Brownies.

The Mayor reported that she had been contacted by Norton Brownies and would be attending one of their meetings when they resume in September.

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045. (07/21) **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- (a) Accounts paid and for payment
The Clerk reported that accounts nos. 060 to 074 inclusive, amounting to £15,330.21 had been paid since the last meeting of the Council.
RESOLVED that account nos. 075 to 084 inclusive, amounting to £8,149.99 be paid. Payments to be made accordingly.
- (b) Financial report
The Clerk's financial report for the period 01.06.21 to 30.06.21 was received.
- (c) Budgetary monitoring
The Clerk's report for the period ending 30 June 2021 was received.

046. (07/21) **PLANNING MATTERS**

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

- 21/00851/HOUSE Erection of part side / part rear single storey extension.
36 Spring Field Garth, Norton, YO17 9EL
RESOLVED Recommend Approval subject to neighbour satisfaction.
- 21/00937/TPO Works to trees in TPO 235/1998 as follows:-T1 Sycamore - Crown lift by 5m, T2 Beech - Crown lift by 5m, T3 Sycamore - Crown lift by 5m and 2m lateral reduction all round, T4 Sycamore - Crown lift by 5m and 2m lateral reduction all round, T5 Sycamore - Crown lift by 5m and 2m lateral reduction all round, T6 Beech - Crown lift by 5m T7 Sycamore - Crown lift by 5m and 2m lateral reduction all round, T8 Tree - already removed, T9 Tree - already removed, T10 Sycamore - no work required.
9 – 33 Willow Brook Close, Norton, YO17 8AS
RESOLVED Recommend Approval.
- 21/00951/HOUSE Erection of single storey rear extension.
2 Langley Drive, Norton, YO17 9AR
RESOLVED Recommend Approval subject to neighbour satisfaction.
- 21/00947/HOUSE Erection of a flat roof side extension with roof lantern.
15 Stirrup Close Norton Malton YO17 9JX
RESOLVED Recommend Approval.
- 21/01003/HOUSE Erection of a single storey rear / side flat roofed extension with lantern light to form a kitchen / dining and lounge area following the removal of an existing conservatory.
105 Beverley Road Norton Malton North Yorkshire YO17 9PH
RESOLVED Recommend Approval.

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

- Approved
21/00615/MFUL Karro Foods Ltd Westfield Way Norton
Erection of extension to existing industrial unit to provide automatic continuous freezer, palletizer and loading dock

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046. (07/21) **PLANNING MATTERS** (continued)

Approved
21/00023/FUL

Wellington House 63 Wood Street Norton Malton
Erection of a first floor and single storey rear extension to the annexe of Wellington House to create 2no. additional residents bedrooms to include a rendered finish; the insertion of an additional obscure glazed window at first floor level of the existing western elevation of Wellington House, and the installation of 2no. rooflights to Wellington House and 1no. rooflight to the existing single-storey rear extension.
Conditional Approval as recommended subject to the prior completion of a unilateral undertaking to ensure that the previous extant planning permission is not implemented

047. (07/21) **LABYRINTH**

Members received a proposal for a permanent labyrinth on Riverside Fields. With only limited numbers of councillors in attendance this item to be deferred and placed on the agenda for next month.

048. (07/21) **CORRESPONDENCE**

Members received a further two letters from the same correspondents as last month still complaining at the cutting of the riverbank.

In response, it was pointed out that the council is sympathetic to policies of protecting wildflowers and natural ecology and as stated previously it has been decided that a degree of compromise will be tried whereby the contractor will be advised to leave clumps of plants left uncut around certain riverbank trees.

049. (07/21) **REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER ORGANISATIONS**

Councillor David Lloyd-Williams reported that there was to be a Neighbourhood Plan Meeting on Monday 26 July to be held at 6.00pm via Zoom. This was primarily for the Horse Racing Industry. Noted

Councillor Lindsay Burr MBE had forwarded a Norton in Bloom report as follows;

Pleased to report our " In bloom " roll out plan is on track. All the planters looking very nice. We are still pursuing the tree on Church Street and want to focus on our entrance to Norton, the committees agreed that Church Street is our focus area. Planters on the wall in second year looking very nice. Commercial street railings are in the enhancement plan to be painted and the baskets are up on the railings and planted up.

Actions

Concentrate and source the large tree on Church Street.

Buy two vertical evergreen large shrubs for the top of Mill Street

Roll out the enhancement / painting plan further.

Ensure the grass cutting is taken to the top of Newstead cottage on Beverly Road and put on the contractors list, at the moment this is not a walker friendly area, we want to encourage walkers, joggers etc to be able to happily go up to that area of town.

Note. This last item would need to be approved by the council and the contractors would also need to agree.

050. (07/21) **MEMBERS QUESTIONS**

No Members questions.

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051. (07/21) **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.

Proposed award to a local member of the community, for debate and resolution.

With only a limited number of councillors present it was agreed to defer this item to the August meeting of the council.

052. (07/21) **DATE FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

RESOLVED that the next ordinary Meeting of the Council be held on Monday 16 August 2021, at 6.30pm, in the Council Chamber.

(Meeting closed at 9:00pm)

_____(Chairman)