Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held in the Council Chamber Commercial Street, Norton-on-Derwent on Monday 20 February 2017 at 7.00pm.

## **PRESENT** Councillor A. Croser (Deputy Mayor) in the Chair;

Councillors D. Allanson, Mrs D. Keal, D. Lloyd-Williams, P. Mooring, Mrs A. Spencer, H. Spencer, Mrs A. Stokell-Beckett.
Also Mrs R. Tierney, Mr T. Hicks

## 170. (02/17) APOLOGIES & WELCOME NEW COUNCILLOR

- (a) Apologies received by the Clerk; Councillors B. Barrett, Ms S. Cawte, R. King, Mrs B Wright
- (b) The Deputy Mayor welcomed Councillor Darren Allanson, the newly co-opted member for Norton East Ward.He had signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office prior to the start of the meeting.

#### 171. (02/17) **GUEST SPEAKER**

No guest speaker.

## 172. (02/17) **PUBLIC SESSION**

County Councillor Mrs Shields reported that the work on altering the library was to start on Monday March 6 2017, with new toilets and a new kitchen to be installed. The Library itself was to open on the 11 April 2017 with opening days to be Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, mornings and afternoons, and Saturday mornings. There was to be an official 'Library Opening' following the County Council Elections in May. Noted.

## 173. (02/17) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Mrs Keal declared an interest in agenda item 10, St Nicholas Street Car Park, as a resident of St Nicholas Street.

#### 174. (02/17) CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

(a) <u>RESOLVED</u> that the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Monday, 16 January 2017 (Minutes 152 to 169 inclusive) be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

#### 175. (02/17) CLERK'S REPORT

(a) Neighbourhood Plan

To report that the Heritage Focus Group from the Neighbourhood Plan Committee met on Wednesday 1 February to review the Malton and Norton Conservation Areas Appraisals.

These were reviewed with Kathryn Jukes from Directions Planning, who following feedback from the group, was to incorporate all information into the Policy Intentions Document.

The Heritage Group would hopefully be meeting on Thursday 23 February to look at the Heritage policies, for the final time at this stage, before going to a full Steering Group Meeting. Noted.

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## 175. (02/17) CLERK'S REPORT (continued)

## (b) Skatepark

With it being unlikely the Fitzwilliam (Malton) Estate would grant us a long lease, and are unwilling for a permanent (concrete) structure to be installed on the site, the two town councils need to look at options for the future.

To this end the Mayor and Clerk from Malton met with our Mayor and Clerk for discussions, and it was felt that the Estate would be likely to grant a year on year lease on the site, provided any structures placed there were easily removable. With the large half pipe being our main concern it was agreed to obtain an inspection report on its condition, and viability for the future. If this was to prove too expensive to maintain councils would need to look at an alternative unit that could possibly be funded through 106 monies.

In the long term the ideal would be to find an alternative site where a permanent skatepark could be installed. Noted.

# (c) Tour de Yorkshire

To update members on progress for the day, the bunting had now arrived and would be available by the end of the Month, as would the stickers. We had had three responses from the bike appeal bringing our total number of bikes to eleven. We would be decorating our part of the route beginning early March.

#### (d) Section 106 Monies

Following the Ryedale District Council Policy and Resources committee meeting, held on Thursday 2 February, where a report outlining options for the application process for 106 funding was presented and the options being;

- 1. the Town Councils option which you are well acquainted with, and on which ourselves and Malton are fully agreed.
- 2. that applications be made to and assessed by RDC Resources Working Party based on criteria designed for the Ryedale Community Grants Fund, and recommendations made to and considered by Policy and Resources Committee.

I have to report that the committee voted for option 2, so it would seem that the process is now back with the District Council. Noted.

## (e) Financial Analysis Town and Parish Council Expenditure

To report that due to the Council Precept being over £140,000 the District Council are required to publish certain financial information on the Council Budget. See Below; Norton on Derwent Town

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Further financial analysis of Town and Parish Council Expenditure: Precept over £140,000.00

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		2016/17			2017/18	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	NET	TOTAL	TOTAL	NET
	SPENDING	INCOME	SPENDING	SPENDING	INCOME	SPENDING
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Administration	53,700	60	53,640	54,800	60	54,740
Civic and Councillors	1,400	-	1,400	1,400	-	1,400
Grants	12,000	857	11,143	12,500	857	11,643
Property, Services, Maintenance	104,895	29,459	75,436	106,247	31,150	75,097
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TOTAL	171,995	30,376	141,619	174,947	32,067	142,880
AMOUNT OF PRECEPT			135,000		<u>-</u>	142,000

#### 176. (02/17) **TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT**

#### Senior Citizens Party

Many thanks to all those who assisted with this event. I thought it ran very smoothly throughout and proved a most enjoyable afternoon.

A great deal of time and effort goes into the planning and execution of an event of this nature and special thanks go out again to Ros and Tim.

The Mayor was supportive of the financial control coming 'in house' as it would simplify issues. (agenda item 12).

#### Welham Road / Church Street

The Mayor reported that he was still receiving complaints over the 'new' road layout at Welham Road / Church Street. Coming down Welham Road questions were being asked over the full white line across the road, and there was also confusion over turning right into Church Street, having to cross double white lines. Was this legal? As he understood it the B1248 actually took the route over County Bridge into Church Street, and he questioned if it was actually legal to take the priority from this road and divert it to a minor road namely Welham Road.

#### Tour de Yorkshire

The Mayor would like to see all council members really get behind this event, it should be remembered that footage of the three day event may well end up in a promotional film that potentially could be viewed internationally.

How good would it be if we could see some form of 'Land Art' around the area. Could this be a joint effort with Malton on Orchard Fields?

He hoped to see all residents on Langton Road and Church Street embracing the tour, perhaps the Press could help in this aim?

Would members please see Tim for more details of our offers for bunting etc. and would they please take a car sticker and promote the event among the community. Going back to 2015 the Mayor remembered the 'buzz' in and around the town and the great feeling of community spirit on the day, and he looked forward to us recapturing it again in 2017.

## **Dog Fouling**

The Mayor reported that complaints and his own observations highlighted that this issue was not improving.

He would like to request that the Dog Warden be invited to a future meeting. That's if we still had one!

In reply it was stated that the District Council were in the process of appointing 'Town Team Officers' and that as part of their remit issues like dog fouling would be reported to them.

It was understood that the Officer appointed for both Malton and Norton was a Mr Matthew Lishman, members agreed that he should be invited to attend a meeting as soon his appointment was confirmed.

## 177. (02/17) **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

#### (a) Accounts paid and for payment

The Clerk reported that accounts nos. 196 to 204 inclusive, amounting to £6,956.01 had been paid since the last meeting of the Council.

RESOLVED that account nos. 205 to 211 inclusive, amounting to £10,004.66 be paid.

Cheques were drawn and signed accordingly.

#### (b) Financial report

The Clerk's financial report for the period 01.01.17 to 31.01.17 was received.

## (c) Budgetary monitoring

The Clerk's report for the period ending 31 January 2017 was received.

## 178. (02/17) **PLANNING MATTERS**

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

17/00078/HOUSE Erection of bay window with canopy above to front elevation, and erection of

single storey side extension to west elevation, replacing existing store.

2 Stirrup Close, Norton, Malton, YO17 9JX

For: Mr & Mrs K F Scott

RESOLVED Recommend Approval.

17/00068/TPO To fell T8 (Sycamore), crown lift T9 (Beech) to height of adjacent telephone

post, and crown lift T10 (sycamore) to provide clearance from ground level in

accordance with submitted photograph, all within TPO NO 235/1998

14 Willow Brook Close, Norton, Malton, YO17 8AS

For: C/O Agent (D Pulleyn)

RESOLVED Recommend Approval.

17/00094/HOUSE Erection of part two storey/part single storey rear extension, erection of

extension to front of existing garage with adjacent canopy and cedar cladding

of front porch.

29 St Peters Crescent, Norton, Malton, YO17 9AN

For: Mr & Mrs D Gurney

RESOLVED Recommend Approval.

17/00030/FUL Erection of a detached three-bedroom dwelling with integral garage and a

detached two-bedroom bungalow

Land adjacent, 35 Scarborough Road, Norton, YO17 8AA

For: Mr Derek Jarvis

RESOLVED Recommend Approval.

17/00139/HOUSE Erection of single storey extension to the west elevation with parking and

turning area.

9 Beechwood Road, Norton, YO17 9EJ

For: Mr & Mrs D McManus

RESOLVED Recommend Approval.

17/00118/OUT Outline application for residential development of 8no dwellings following

demolition of existing agricultural type buildings (site area 0.54ha) – approval

sought for access and layout.

Agricultural contractors, Welham Road, Norton

For: Thomas Crown Associates Ltd RESOLVED Recommend refusal.

- Overdevelopment of a small thin narrowing site, with poor parking provision.
- Vehicular access to the site cuts across a much used safe public footpath.
- Single access roadway from Lakeside unsuitable for the increase in traffic flows.
- Long narrow sight also difficult for emergency vehicles off a single access roadway.
- Increased flood risk, this site sits in the floodplain, and any further development would limit the drainage of ground water, which is already a problem in this area.
- Impact on sewage system, the Victorian sewers are already over capacity, and any further development puts residents in other areas, especially those living in the vicinity of Church Street, bottom end of St Nicholas Street and Welham Road at a much greater risk of having raw sewage impacting on their property whenever there is a period of heavy rain and the system is under pressure.

#### 178. (02/17) PLANNING MATTERS (continued)

#### 17/00095/OUT

Residential development of 3no terraced dwellings with vehicular access and alterations to domestic curtilages of existing terrace of 4 dwellings (site area 0.1ha)

Land adjacent to 42 Vine Street, Norton

For: Joanne Suddaby-Smith RESOLVED Recommend refusal.

- Members consider this to be an overdevelopment of an infill site at the bottom of a very tight cul-de-sac.
- There is also the loss of some external area to the existing dwellings where the roadway would have to be created to serve the new dwellings which members find unacceptable.

#### 17/00173/HOUSE

Erection of single storey side extension 35 Evergreen Way, Norton, YO17 8BY

For: Mr Philip Allen

RESOLVED Recommend Approval.

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

#### Approved

16/01635/HOUSE

Erection of a detached double garage The Old Pottery, St Nicholas Street, Norton

For: Mr Glynn Clemit

## 179. (02/17) **ALLOTMENTS CCTV**

Members received a quotation for the replacement of the failed CCTV camera at the allotment site.

While members expressed disappointment at the failure of the unit, they felt that on the whole it was worthwhile replacing it. Therefore it was:

<u>RESOLVED</u> that a new fully functional dome camera unit and an 8 way recorder be installed at a cost of £2,300.00 plus V.A.T.

## 180. (02/17) ST NICHOLAS STREET CAR PARK

Members discussed the issues raised at last month's meeting with regard to the possibility of charges being placed on parking, and also the moving of the waste recycling area. As members had concerns with both issues Councillor Mrs Keal agreed to keep the council informed if the District Council revived the parking strategy and made plans to bring in changes.

With parking spaces being at a premium it was felt that council should look at the provision of parking for Bruntwood Terrace once more, with parking spaces being marked out one for each of the 6 properties.

It was agreed that the Clerk make enquiries as to possible costs, and seek permission from the District Council. This item to be placed on the agenda for next month.

#### 181. (02/17) NORTON RIVERSIDE - LIGHTING

Members received a quotation for the failed lighting unit at the riverside. With all nine columns now being maintained by the County Council, Eight of the columns were now in working order although some electrical components had to be replaced due to water damage. The one remaining column however was in need of a new lantern the estimated cost of which was £865.00 plus V.A.T.

<u>RESOLVED</u> that a new lantern be installed at the estimated cost of £865.00 plus V.A.T.

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## 182. (02/17) SENIOR CITIZENS PARTY

Members discussed closing down the dedicated bank account for the Senior Citizens Party and bringing the financial control into the councils banking system, as the council were now running the event.

RESOLVED that once the final accounts for the year ending 31 march 2017 were completed, both the HSBC Community Account and the HSBC Money Manager Account be closed down and the balances paid into the Town Council Current Account.

## 183 (02/17) CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) Crime statistics for Norton and Malton, January 2017. For information. Noted.
- (b) Yorkshire Local Councils Associations Newsletter White Rose Update For Information. Noted.
- (c) Woodhams Stone Collection Thank you grant. For information. Noted.
- (d) Rivermead Nursing Home Thank you for Senior Citizens Party. For information. Noted.

## 184. (02/17) GRANT FUNDING - MILTON ROOMS

Members received a progress report on the ongoing development of the Milton Rooms and a request for payment of the second years grant award. RESOLVED that the second year's grant of £5,000.00 be paid.

#### 185. (02/17) REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER ORGANISATIONS

No reports received

## 186. (02/17) MEMBERS QUESTIONS

Councillor Mrs Keal reported that she had made enquiries as to the work at Norton Ings which was to restore the wet fenland habitat. It was felt that as it was a worthwhile project a letter of support for the funding application from the Council should be sent. Agreed.

Councillor Spencer reported damage to the grass verge on Langton Road, caused by vehicles being driven without thought to not only the verge but also the spring flowers planted there. There was also an issue with mud all over the footpath further along Langton Road.

As Councillor Lloyd-Williams was to meet with the Highways Area Manager Mr Malcolm later in the week, he agreed to show him the damage caused.

Members also raised the issue of 'fly tipping' in the area as this was a growing problem. All information on this issue must be reported to Ryedale District Council

In closing this discussion members gave a vote of thanks to the Malton and Norton Tidy Group, as without them the town and other areas would be in a much worse state.

## 187. (02/17) DATE OF THE NEXT ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the next ordinary meeting of the Council be held on Monday, 20 March 2017, at 7.00pm, in the council chamber.

(Meeting closed at 8:40pm)	
	(Chairman)