

Minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held in the Council Chamber  
Commercial Street, Norton-on-Derwent on Monday, 16 August 2010 at 7.00pm.

**PRESENT** Councillor P. Fardale (Town Mayor) in the Chair;  
Councillors Mrs J. Denniss, J. Gray, A.R. Harrison, Mrs D.E. Keal, R. King,  
D. Lloyd-Williams, D. K. Mennell, R. Milner, H. Spencer, J.T. Stone.  
Also Mrs R. Tierney.

062. (08/10) **APOLOGIES**

No Apologies received.

063. (08/10) **GUEST SPEAKER**

Mrs Sheila Miller, Chairman of Ryedale Link (Local Involvement Network)

Members welcomed Mrs Sheila Miller, who gave a brief outline on the role and work of Link, which was designed to involve local people in the shaping of services and priorities in health and social care within the area.

With regard to Malton Hospital she explained that she had been assured by the Director of community and mental health services for the NHS North Yorkshire and the Primary Care Trust, that there were no plans to close Malton Hospital or the Minor Injuries Unit, although there was a move to treat more patients at home with some staff redeployed out into the community.

Another major change likely in the near future would be central governments plans for General Practitioners to have control of NHS budgets, although this was still some way away. There would have to be dialogue with all concerned before any change affecting the local Hospital was to take place.

There then followed a brief question and answer session covering various aspects of health care, following which the Mayor thanked Mrs Miller for a most informative presentation, and for sparing the time to attend.

064. (08/10) **PUBLIC SESSION**

No member of the public spoke.

065. (08/10) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors Lloyd-Williams and Spencer both declared an interest in Agenda Item 8(a) Grants to local organisations, as Chairman and Committee member respectively of Malton Museum.

Councillors Harrison and Milner both declared an interest in Agenda item 8(a) Grants to local organisations, as members of the Malton, Norton and District Road Safety Committee.

Councillor King declared an interest in Agenda item 8(a) Grants to local organisations, Norton Community Primary School.

Councillors Mrs Keal, Spencer and Stone all declared an interest in Agenda item 8(c) Maintenance Grant for Castle Gardens.

066. (08/10) **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Monday, 26 July 2010 (Minutes 045 to 061 inclusive) be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

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067. (08/10) **MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES 045 TO 061 INCLUSIVE**

- (a) Minute 54 Yorkshire & The Humber Regional Training Partnership  
Councillor Mrs Denniss made a request to attend the Training Conference on Saturday 25 September 2010.  
The Clerk to make arrangements.
- (b) Minute 056 (c) Correspondence - Public Conveniences Church Street.  
Councillor Spencer updated members on the situation with regard to the toilets, stating that Ryedale District Council had the matter in hand, and there was money set aside for improvements, which they hoped to implement in the near future.
- (c) Minute 060(b) Members Questions - Grass Verge Langton Road.  
Councillor Spencer reported that the verge had now been cut but that sections nearest the lower path had been left, could this be looked at again.  
The Clerk to make enquiries.

068. (08/10) **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- (a) Accounts paid and for payment  
The Clerk reported that accounts nos. 073 to 081 inclusive, amounting to £4638.95, had been paid since the last meeting of the Council.  
RESOLVED that accounts nos. 082 to 088 inclusive, amounting to £1201.65 be paid.  
Cheques were drawn and signed accordingly.
- (b) Financial report  
The Clerk's financial report for the period 01.7.10 to 31.7.10 was received.
- (c) Budgetary monitoring  
The Clerk's report for the period ending 31 July 2010 was received.

069. (08/10) **PLANNING MATTERS**

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

- 10/00788/FUL Alteration to shop front to include repositioning of entrance doors.  
Former Norton Post Office, 19-21 Church Street, Norton.  
For Mrs Mai Zhu Su Li.  
RESOLVED Recommend Approval.
- 10/00799/FUL Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 2no. three-bedroom semi-detached dwellings with vehicular access, parking and amenity areas.  
10 Plum Street, Norton.  
For N. Marwood  
RESOLVED Recommend Refusal, on the grounds that this is an over-development of what is a relatively small site with difficult access.
- 10/00880/ADV Display of 2no. internally-illuminated fascia signs, 2no. non-illuminated directional signs, 1no. internally-illuminated post mounted 'V' name sign and 1no. internally-illuminated poster display unit.  
4A Welham Road, Norton.  
For Lidl UK Gmbh (Mr C Blyth)  
RESOLVED Recommend Approval.
- 10/00953/HOUSE Erection of single-storey extension to side.  
1 Leat Close, Norton.  
For Mr & Mrs N Johnson  
RESOLVED Recommend Approval.

069. (08/10) **PLANNING MATTERS** (continued)

(b) Planning decisions notified by Ryedale District Council:

10/00620/FUL      Approved  
Formation of 4no. Additional car parking spaces and installation of 3no. Solar panels on flat roof.  
Derwent Surgery, Norton Road, Norton.

070. (08/10) **APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS 2010/11**

(a) Local Organisations that benefit the community

Councillors Lloyd-Williams and Spencer had declared an interest in Malton Museum Foundation.

Councillors Harrison and Milner had declared an interest in Malton, Norton and District Road Safety Committee.

Councillor King had declared an interest in Norton Community Primary School.

The Clerk had circulated a list of organisations that had applied for a grant together with a schedule of grants awarded over the past three years.

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 or its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure:-

Malton Museum Foundation	£200
Malton, Norton & District Road Safety Committee	£50
Norton Community Primary School	£200
Ryedale District Council Chairman's Charity	£100

(b) Ryedale Citizens Advice Bureau

Members received a request for payment of a grant to Ryedale Citizens Advice bureau.

RESOLVED to approve a grant of £1000.00 to the Citizens Advice Bureau, and ask would it be possible to see a copy of their latest audited accounts.

(c) Castle Gardens

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

Members received a request for payment of the maintenance grant for the Castle Gardens for the year 2010/11, from the Derwent Riverside Project Group.

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 or its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure:-

Maintenance Grant for Castle Gardens	£500
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(d) Ryedale Cameras in Action

Members received a request for payment of the Councils contribution towards the upkeep of the cameras.

RESOLVED that a contribution of £3000 be paid for the year 2010/11.

(e) Town Criers Competition

Members received a request for payment of the agreed contribution towards the Town Criers Competition.

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 or its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure:-

Town Criers Competition Grant	£100
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071. (08/10) **NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS**

(a) Yorkshire Wolds Cycle Route

Members received details of the proposed Wolds Cycle Route, which although mainly running through East Yorkshire the route did pass into North Yorkshire and through part of Norton.

RESOLVED that the Town Council supports the proposals put forward, for the Yorkshire Wolds Cycle Route.

(b) Concessionary Fares Scheme

Members received details of proposed changes to the Concessionary Fares Scheme which was due to become the responsibility of North Yorkshire County Council to administer in April 2011. At present the concessionary passes can be used at any time from 9am to 6am the following morning Monday to Friday and at any time at weekends and bank holidays. The proposed changes to the above arrangements, in order to save on costs, would be to allow the passes to be used between 9.30am and 11pm Monday to Friday and at any time during weekends and bank holidays.

Following debate of the issues it was;

RESOLVED that the Town Council while understanding the need to save on costs does not support the proposed changes, and believes that concessionary passes should be allowed to be used from 9am Monday to Friday.

072. (08/10) **CORRESPONDENCE**

(a) Ryedale Safer Neighbourhood Team - Monthly Crime Statistics (July) for Malton and Norton. For information. Noted

(b) Ryedale District Council - Parish Update Summer 2010. For information. Noted.

(c) Ryedale District Council - Streetscene Services Leaflet. For information. Noted.

(d) North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service - Corporate Report 2010/11. Copy available in the office, for information. Noted.

073. (08/10) **CLERK'S REPORT**

(a) Town Criers Competition

Members received details of the programme for the Town Criers Competition, to be held on Saturday 23 October 2010. Which was to parade through Norton in the morning with the first cry being held in the Derwent Arms Car Park or at Trinity Methodist Church if wet. They would then parade round Malton in the afternoon with the second cry being held outside the Milton Rooms or if wet in the cattle market. Both the Mayor of Malton and the Mayor of Norton were to be judges.

(b) Welfare Benefits Scheme

Members received a brief outline of a Welfare Benefits Scheme that had been piloted in Pickering with funding from the PCT. The scheme entailed a specialist benefits advisor being employed once a week, based at Pickering Doctors Surgery. With referrals being made by the Doctors themselves. The pilot scheme had been considered a success but now there was no more funding from the PCT.

It was hoped that the scheme could be expanded to cover all five of the towns in Ryedale, with an advisor in each of the surgeries once a week, with funding coming from all five of the Town Councils.

A presentation was to be given at the next Five Towns meeting when it was hoped more details would be available.

Members noted the Welfare Benefits Scheme with interest.

073. (08/10) **CLERK'S REPORT** (continued)

(c) King George's Playing Field Re-development

The Clerk reported that the funding for the re-development, with a planning 106 agreement from Redrow Ltd, had now been received from Ryedale District Council, the planning authority. Funding amount being £90,000.00.

Noted by members.

(d) Councillors Audit

The Clerk requested Councillors Farndale (Mayor), Mrs Keal, and Mennell arrange to contact the office and undertake the necessary audit, as there was a requirement by the Audit Commission to change an accounting procedure.

Noted by members.

(e) New Litter and Dog Bins

The Clerk reported that the new bins had now been installed, with two litter bins being placed at the Riverside Field, and a litter/dog bin placed at the open area between The Chase and Kingston Drive.

074. (08/10) **TOWN MAYOR/CHAIRMANS REPORT**

The Mayor reported on his attendance at:

- Ryedale District Council, full Council Meeting main agenda item Wentworth Street Car Park.
- The Yorkshire Day Celebrations, hosted by Hedon in East Yorkshire.
- The 60th Wedding Anniversary of Mr and Mrs Richard Gooder. Mr Gooder had served as a Councillor for Norton between 1979 and 1983.

075. (08/10) **REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER ORGANISATIONS**

Councillor King reported on his attendance at:

- North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service, Community Safety Road Show held at Malton Fire Station.

Councillor Mrs Keal reported on:

- The Castle Gardens, outlining the events planned for the following weekend, which included a 'Gardeners Question Time'.

Councillor Mennell reported on:

- The Malton and Norton Dispensary Fund.

076. (08/10) **MEMBERS' QUESTIONS**

- (a) Councillor Harrison asked if anything could be done about the condition of the footpath in Beverley Road outside the 30mph limit, which was in a poor state of repair. The Clerk agreed to report it to the relevant authority.
- (b) Councillor Mrs Denniss asked if the Council kept a register of vulnerable residents. In answer it was stated that this was not within the Councils remit.
- (c) Councillor Milner reported that the pedestrian access through the road works in Welham Road was not very clearly laid out, and was causing problems for members of the public. The Clerk agreed to report it to the relevant authority.
- (d) Councillor Mrs Keal asked if there had been any further developments with regard to the town merger, and also would it be possible for more joint meetings of the Town Councils of Malton and Norton to be held.

The Clerk to Write to Mr Winship, Ryedale District Council solicitor, with regard to the merger, and speak to Mr Skehan with regard to a joint meeting.

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076. (08/10) **MEMBERS' QUESTIONS** (continued)

- (e) Councillor Gray reported a complaint he had received, with regard to an allotment which appeared to be being used for fly tipping of builders rubble.  
In answer it was explained that this was in fact an allotment that was being made into a hard standing so as to ease access to the allotments.

077. (08/10) **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Town Council be held on Monday, 20 September 2010 at 7.00pm, in the Council Chamber.

(Meeting closed at 8.50pm)

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