Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held in the Council Chamber Commercial Street, Norton-on-Derwent on Monday 16 November 2015 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT Councillor R. King (Mayor) in the Chair;

Councillors A. Croser, D. Lloyd-Williams, Mrs A. Spencer, H. Spencer, Mrs B Wright. Also Mrs R. Tierney, Mr T. Hicks

109. (11/15) **APOLOGIES**

Apologies received and noted by the clerk: Councillors Mrs D. Keal, P. Mooring, Mrs A. Stokell Beckett.

110. (11/15) **GUEST SPEAKER**

No guest speaker.

111. (11/15) **PUBLIC SESSION**

No member of the public present.

112. (11/15) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Spencer declared an Interest in agenda item 11 Grants to Voluntary Organisations, Castle Gardens.

113. (11/15) CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Monday, 19 October 2015 (Minutes 091 to 108 inclusive) be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

114. (11/15) **CLERK'S REPORT**

(a) Council Vacancies

To inform members that there have been no applications received for the two vacancies of Councillor for Norton East Ward.

Councillor Mrs Keal has had an enquiry from a gentleman who lives outside the area limit, but owns a domestic property in the town. We have made enquiries of the Local Council Associations as to whether this would qualify him to become a Councillor, and the reply received has advised that no decision be taken yet as legal advice is being sought on this matter by the National Association of Local Councils. Noted.

(b) South Parade

To advise members that potholes and the crumbling edge to the tarmacked surface in South Parade have been repaired following complaints from the public.

A quotation has also been sought to erect a section of post and rail fencing of roughly 45 feet in length. Due to the collapse of the wall of the Hyde Park boundary, this section of South Parade is now wide open, and as we have been asked to install some kind of barrier at the Hyde Park end of South Parade to stop cyclists from riding straight out into oncoming traffic on North Road, without the fencing this would be pointless. A quotation for the barrier is also being sought.

Noted. To be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

(c) North Yorkshire County Council – Mineral and Waste Local Plan

To advise members of the drop in event being held here in the Chamber on Tuesday 24 November that will run from 1.00pm to 7.00pm. On the County Council Mineral and Waste Local Plan that will guide decisions on waste and mineral planning applications up to 2030.

This item to be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting.

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114. (11/15) CLERK'S REPORT (continued)

(d) Playground Inspections

To inform members that the first quarterly inspections of King Georges Playing Field and Burdale Close have been carried out. A list of minor repairs was recorded and identified at King Georges Playing Field these have now been rectified. Burdale Close repairs identified, these need careful consideration due to the age of the installation. The repairs required are classed as very low risk and can be deferred for this year. Council will be addressing this issue within the budget for next year. Noted.

(e) Ryedale 5 Towns Meeting

To report attendance at the Five Towns meeting held at Kirkbymoorside on Tuesday 10 November. A presentation was received from Craig Natress the Visitor Economy Officer at Ryedale District Council, on working with business groups to promote the market towns.

Items discussed included the information panels being produced for the towns, at no cost to the Town Councils. Visitor information points within the towns now that there was no longer any Tourist Information Centres. Pickering info point was in a local newsagent, Helmsley was in the Cut Price Bookstore and Malton was at the District Council Office.

Craig was also working with Streetscene in trying to introduce a 'Rover Parking Ticket' which could be used at all the district's car parks and could be valid for a weekend or even a week

With all events planned for the towns if the details could be forwarded to Craig he would ensure that the event was publicised and put on the Visit Ryedale Website. One future proposition for the towns could be the introduction of free public Wi-Fi which would have funding implications for both business and the Town Councils, installation costs per town could be £2,000 and running costs per town £1,000 per year.

A presentation was then given by County Councillor Mrs Shields on how the Norton Community Library & Hub bid was progressing, how far the group had come and the stages already reached, as well as how their Business Plan was progressing. Feedback from the other towns suggested that they were all at different stages and were all encountering problems of various kinds.

The members then discussed a response from the Five Towns to the Fire Authority Consultation, to be given to County Councillor Val Arnold for the Fire Authority meeting in December.

It was agreed that a response be formulated stating that their proposals were unacceptable given the proposed future developments within the towns.

The next meeting was due to be held in March 2016 at Malton.

115. (11/15) **TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT**

(a) Ryedale District Council - Parish Liaison Meeting

The Mayor reported on his attendance at the Parish Liaison meeting, at which a presentation had been given on the Fire Authority's consultation on their proposed changes to the service.

(b) Pride of Malton and Norton Awards

The Mayor reported on his attendance at the Pride of Malton and Norton Awards, held at the Old Lodge Hotel on Saturday 24 October, stating that it had been a privilege to be involved.

(c) Remembrance Weekend

The Mayor had attended the Remembrance Festival held at Norton College on Friday 6 November. The White Star Band had been exceptional with a good choice of music. On Sunday 8 November he had attended the Parade at the War Memorial in Malton and laid a wreath on behalf of the Council. He then thanked Councillors Mrs Keal and Croser for laying wreaths at Old Malton Priory, and St Peter's Church Norton respectively.

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115. (11/15) **TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT** (continued)

(d) Ryedale Five Towns Meeting

The Mayor reported that along with the Clerk he had attended the Five Towns Meeting held at Kirkbymoorside.

(e) Derwent Swimming Pool

The Mayor had received a complaint about the Derwent Pool closing during the half term holiday for essential maintenance. It was the Mayors understanding that this was to enable the pool to deliver its contractual obligations to local schools. The Mayor to seek clarification on this point.

(f) Acorn Community Care

The Mayor reminded members that Acorn Community Care would be holding a Christmas Celebration at Ryedale Community Leisure Centre, on Friday 11 December to run from 4.30pm to 10.00pm. All welcome.

(g) Norton Lights Switch On

The Mayor reminded members that the Lights Event was on Saturday 28 November running from 12 noon to 6.00pm when the lights would go on. Members were asked if possible could they spare an hour or two on that day to assist with the various events happening. The actual lights were due to be installed on Monday 23 November.

116. (11/15) **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

(a) Accounts paid and for payment

The Clerk reported that accounts nos. 157 to 168 inclusive, amounting to £7,057.42 had been paid since the last meeting of the Council.

RESOLVED that account nos. 169 to 174 inclusive, amounting to £972.39 be paid.

Cheques were drawn and signed accordingly.

(b) Financial report

The Clerk's financial report for the period 01.10.15 to 31.10.15 was received.

(c) Budgetary monitoring

The Clerk's report for the period ending 31 October 2015 was received.

117. (11/15) **PLANNING MATTERS**

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

15/01194/FUL

Installation of kiosk adjacent to bridge to house telemetry equipment to enable Yorkshire Water to monitor the nearby combined sewer overflow.

Priorpot Beck Bridge, Maudon Grove, Norton, Malton For: Yorkshire Water Services Limited (Mr Matt Hill)

RESOLVED Recommend Approval.

15/01279/HOUSE

Erection of two storey extension to south elevation and detached double garage following demolition of existing extension and detached greenhouse

Lake House, Welham Road, Norton, YO17 9QF.

For: Mr & Mrs N Webster.

RESOLVED Recommend Approval.

(b) Planning decisions notified by Ryedale District Council:-

Approved 15/00827/FUL

Erection of a concrete plinth to access washout valves and air valve covers for the adjacent rising main scheme to include a 1.4m high surrounding post and rail fence together with installation of 2.5m high vent stack to the north of the concrete plinth installation Land between River Derwent and Railway

Line, Menthorpe Lane, Menethorpe, Malton

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117. (11/15) PLANNING MATTERS (continued)

(b) Planning decisions notified by Ryedale District Council:-

<u>Approved</u>

15/0109/HOUSE Erection of two storey extension to rear elevation

4 Field View, Norton, YO17 9AZ

15/00863/HOUSE Erection of single storey side extension and conservatory to replace

conservatory to rear elevation

81 Welham Road, Norton, Malton, YO17 9DS

Appeal Against Refusal

APP/Y2736/D/15/3136864 Erection of two storey extension to west elevation (revised details to

refusal 15/00251/HOUSE)

104 Parliament Street, Norton, Malton, YO17 9HE

APP/Y2736/D/15/3136405 Erection of single storey extension to front elevation following

removal of porch and bay window

44 Wold Street, Norton, Malton, YO17 9AA

APP/Y2736/W/15/3136233 Residential development of up to 6 no. dwellings together with

formation of vehicular access – Site A (site area 0.9 ha) Land adjacent to Auburn Cottages, Langton Road, Norton

For: Gladman Developments

APP/Y2736/W/15/3136237 Residential development of up to 79 no. dwellings together with

formation of vehicular access – Site B (site area 3.65 ha) Land adjacent to Auburn Cottages, Langton Road, Norton

For: Gladman Developments

Note: <u>RESOLVED</u> to make further representation for refusal on the grounds that the decision had now been taken by the County Council to extend the Primary School on to the site on Langton Road, thus making the congestion at the town centre end of Langton Road even

more impossible to contend with.

118. (11/15) RYEDALE DISTRICT COUNCIL – SITE SELECTION CONSULTATION

Members were asked to agree a date for a joint meeting with Malton Town Council to consider the site selections for both towns.

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the joint meeting be held on Monday 7 December 2015, at 6.30pm at Norton Council Chamber. Jill Thompson from Forward Planning at Ryedale District Council to be invited to attend.

119. (11/15) **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - STAFFING**

For members to approve Mr Tim Hicks undertakes the reporting duties for the strategy meetings of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group.

<u>RESOLVED</u> to approve Mr Tim Hicks undertakes the duties required for the Steering Group with a one hour per week increase in paid time. This to be reimbursed from the Neighbourhood Plan funds.

120. (11/15) GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS

(a) <u>Derwent Riverside Project – Castle Gardens</u>

To consider the merit of awarding a grant under section 9 and 10 of the Open Spaces Act 1906.

 $\underline{\text{RESOLVED}} \text{ to award a grant of £500.00 for this financial year with the stipulation that the money be channelled to new seating and maintenance.}$

(b) Norton Senior Citizens Christmas Party

To consider the merit of awarding a grant under section 145 of the Local Government Act 1972.

RESOLVED to award a grant of £500.00

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121. (11/15) **CORRESPONDENCE**

- (a) North Yorkshire Police and Ryedale Safer Neighbourhoods Team Local Crime Update and monthly crime statistics for Northern and Southern Ryedale, for October 2015. For information. Noted.
- (b) North Yorkshire County Council changes to urban grass cutting policy. For information, Noted.
- (c) Ryedale Citizens Advice Bureau thank you for grant. For information. Noted.
- (d) North Yorkshire County Council Temporary Road Closure Norton Road, for 5 days between 20 November 2015 and 24 November 2015. For information. Noted.

122. (11/15) REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER ORGANISATIONS

No reports received.

123. (11/15) MEMBERS QUESTIONS

Councillor Mrs Spencer reported that she had been talking to one of Ryedale District Council Streetscene operatives, who had said that the remaining concrete litter bins in the town needed to be replaced, as they were unable to be kept in a suitable condition and none of the liners fitted.

The Clerk to make enquiries.

124. (11/15) DATE OF THE BUDGET MEETING

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the Budget Meeting be held on Monday 14 December 2015, at 6.30pm in the Council Chamber

125. (11/15) DATE OF THE NEXT ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the next ordinary meeting of the Council be brought forward and held on Monday, 14 December 2015, at 7.00pm, or on the rising of the budget Meeting whichever is the later, in the council chamber.

(Meeting	closed	at	8.35	pm)	١
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