

NORTON-ON-DERWENT TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held in the Council Chamber,
Commercial Street, Norton-on-Derwent on Monday 20 June 2022 at 6.30pm.

PRESENT	Cllrs M Brampton (Deputy Mayor), I Conlan, P Farndale, R King, D Lloyd-Williams, F Maietta, S Shaw, A Spencer, and H Spencer.
IN ATTENDANCE	S Rainsbury (Clerk), and T Hicks (Deputy Clerk)
APOLOGIES	Councillors D Keal (Mayor), and L Burr MBE

23. PUBLIC SESSION

A Norton resident made members aware of ongoing anti-social behaviour on the Ebor Chase (Spring Beck Avenue) from an un-named teenager who lives close by. He was disappointed over the lack of community policing even when incidents were being reported to North Yorkshire Police. Further incidents involving the same teenager on The Chase and The Ridings are ongoing again with very little obvious action being taken by the police.

Cllr A Spencer replied that she had personally witnessed bullying by the same teenager towards an elderly resident of Norton.

RESOLVED – Clerk to contact North Yorkshire Police and request the attendance of PC Jones and Sergeant Gibson-Hodges from the Community Policing Team at our next meeting on Monday 18th July.

24. MINUTES

RESOLVED – Cllr Maietta made members aware of slight anomaly in that Cllr Shaw is a member of the Economic Development Committee. Noted.

That the Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held on Monday, 16th May 2022 (Minutes 1 to 22 inclusive) be approved and signed as a correct record. Proposed by Cllr Lloyd-Williams, seconded by Cllr Conlan. All other Members approved.

25. CLERK'S REPORT

The clerk updated members with on-going issues in the town including;

a) Graffiti

'#RAINSLIST' – This spate of vandalism across Norton and Malton in being investigated by Police and Special Branch.

b) Clerk Handover

Pleased to confirm the outsourcing of payroll has been completed and the finance system has been installed, training received, and accounts uploaded from 1st April onwards.

c) Community MAPS meeting

The Clerk is finding these fortnightly meetings extremely valuable in receiving updates from all the attendees e.g., NYP, RDC, Fire Service, etc. and working collectively to resolve issues in the community.

d) Police

Attended a speeding awareness event on 8th June on Welham Road with PC Jones.

e) Community

Attending ongoing monthly drop-in event at Norton College with RDC and NYP, handing out leaflets and encouraging engagement with the children on a lunchtime.

f) Anti-Social Behaviour

Pleased to inform members that sightings of children scaling the fence between Norton College and Kingston Drive/The Chase have ceased during lunchtimes.

g) Norton in Bloom

Thanks to Tim Hicks and Malcolm Piercy for their hard work with planting in the town; Red, White, and Blue plants have made a huge colourful difference.

h) Jubilee Celebration

Thank you to Tim Hicks and Malcom Piercy for their work in erecting hundreds of metres of Union Jack bunting. Pleased to say that the Jubilee Senior Citizens Party was a huge success, with special thanks to Cllr's Spencer and Farndale for their efforts. A letter was sent to Karro Foods thanking them for funding this event and for their amazing volunteers on the day.

i) Community Culture Event

The clerk is in early stages of planning a cultural food event to help the unrepresented nationalities from Eastern Europe integrate in Norton. The idea is to have at least one stall which represents; Polish, Ukranian, Romanian, Pilipino cultures, and a few local stalls too. The clerk is in discussions with POMOC, RDC, Karro Foods, and the Yorkshire Baker, and will potentially take place the first or second Sunday in September. Cllr King expressed his support with this event.

j) Website / Email

We have had our application approved to use a gov.uk domain name for the website and also email addresses for councillors, these are still to be made active which I have assigned to our website host to administer.

26. TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT

2nd June: The Mayor attended the Queens Jubilee events in Norton over the Jubilee weekend, including our own afternoon tea at the Bowls Club. This was a lovely event attended by many local residents who appreciated the event after a couple of years of not being able hold the annual post-Christmas party. Many thanks to Cllr Ann Spencer and Cllr Farndale for organising the afternoon tea and especially to the volunteers from Karro who helped.

2nd June: The Mayor also attended the St Peter's Church Songs of Praise featuring the Queens favourite hymns and the Jubilee Jamboree, both of which were well attended, successful events.

16th June: The Mayor chaired Ryedale District Councils Policy & Resources Committee at which a vote to contribute £50,000 towards the Norton skatepark was unanimously agreed. This is a huge step forward as the money can be used to refurbish the half-pipe and finally complete the whole of the park, creating an excellent facility for young

people in Norton, Malton and further afield. I look forward to council progressing this project in partnership with the local community/campaign group ASAP.

27. FINANCIAL MATTERS

Accounts for payment

Plantscape Ltd - Hanging Baskets, Barrier Baskets	2,702.40	BACS
Anti Freeze (York) Ltd - watering and maintenance hanging baskets	1,800.00	BACS
Malton Town Council - CCTV monitoring qtr 2	750.00	BACS
Bayes Tree Services - processing green waste Cemetery	264.00	BACS
GMC Fire & Security - new CCTV recorder King George	658.80	BACS
ROSPA Play Safety - inspection report Skatepark	474.00	BACS
Norton Hardware - compost, screws, cleaning materials	149.28	BACS
HAGS SMP Ltd - replacement bushes and pins play equipment	36.00	BACS
Chris Brigham - window cleaner	17.00	BACS
R.Yates & Sons Ltd - bin bags	10.80	BACS
Direct Imaging - printing costs	23.19	BACS
Steam & Moorland - Lawnmower Service and parts	230.28	BACS
BATA - Concrete	11.22	BACS
Tyke 2000 - unleaded petrol for lawnmowers	35.00	BACS
Malton Town Council - CCTV Maintenance qtr 4	291.60	BACS
	<u>Total</u>	
	<u>7,453.57</u>	

RESOLVED - That fifteen accounts be approved for payment. Proposed by Cllr Lloyd-Williams, seconded by Cllr A Spencer. All other members approved.

28. PLANNING MATTERS

- 22/00546/HOUSE Erection of two storey rear extension following demolition of existing conservatory.
Tavool House, 42 Scarborough Road, Norton, YO17 8AB
RESOLVED – Approved
- 22/00535/TPO Crown reduction of 20% and removal of dead branches to 2no. Beech trees within TPO number 61/1983
47 Welham Road, Norton, YO17 9DS
RESOLVED – Approved
- 22/00562/HOUSE Erection of single storey extension to side elevation, painting of existing white uPVC windows in dark grey, and installation of new dark grey uPVC windows and doors.
5 The Chase, Norton, YO17 9AS.
RESOLVED – Approved with concern, painting of white uPVC windows could lead to paint flaking off in time and looking somewhat unsightly.

29. CEMETERY MAPPING SOFTWARE

Members received a verbal report on the mapping software for the cemetery and it's lack of use and whether it was fit for purpose and whether or not to cease its use and

annual subscription.

RESOLVED – Cllr Maietta asked whether there was a cost incurred for cancellation of agreement. Members to be updated at the next meeting.

Members agreed that the software should be accessed by the Clerk and Deputy and to be reviewed upon renewal in December.

30. CO-OPTION

Members received guidance from YLCA and was discussed as a way forward with co-opting the vacant seat of the Council.

RESOLVED – Cllr Conlan proposed drafting twelve questions for prospective applicants to answer with the assistance of members to be discussed further, then to be voted at a public meeting who each member thought was most appropriate to fill the vacant seat. Clerk to speak to ‘Gazette and Herald’ and ‘Handymag’ to advertise the vacancy. Seconded by Cllr Brampton. All other members approved.

31. USE OF THE CHAMBER BY MALTON TOWN COUNCIL

RESOLVED – Members agreed in principle but asked whether there would be a contribution towards heating/lighting available. Clerk to contact MTC.

32. EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING (additional item)

Members were asked to discuss holding an extra-ordinary meeting to agree on awarding the refurbishment contract for the half pipe now that RDC have granted £50,000.00.

RESOLVED – Members agreed that the EO meeting should be held as soon as possible and to agree in principle a contractor to undertake the refurbishment. Clerk to confirm date for this meeting.

33. CORRESPONDENCE

Members received one item of correspondence from a Mr Steve Cass, Norton on Derwent Allotment Association making council aware of their current financial position and asking for a grant to stock and furnish the allotment shop.

RESOLVED – Members agreed to offer £2,500.00 in principle, but asked for a more detailed proposal from the association as well as an insight into their finances. Clerk to pursue this further.

34. REPRESENTATIVES

Members to discuss and appoint a representative for Malton Museum.

RESOLVED – Proposed by Cllr Shaw, seconded by Cllr Conlan. All other members agreed.

35. MEMBERS QUESTIONS

Members raised the lack of attendance of Councillor Keane Duncan, the representative for Norton within the transitioning North Yorkshire County Council.

RESOLVED – Members were informed that Cllr Duncan has confirmed he will be attending our next meeting in July.

36. DATE FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Monday 18th July 2022, at 6.30pm, to be held at The Old Courthouse, 84b Commercial Street, Norton.

(Meeting closed at 7.45pm)

_____ (Chairman)