

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE

MALTON TOWN COUNCIL

HELD IN RYEDALE HOUSE, ON WEDNESDAY 25 NOVEMBER 2015

PRESENT Councillors Mrs J Lawrence (Mayor), P Andrews (Deputy Mayor), D Lloyd-Williams, Mrs K Ennis, Mrs J Ford, D Townsend, G Lake and P Emberley.

IN ATTENDANCE MP Skehan (Town Clerk), Canon J Manchester (Mayor's Chaplain).

APOLOGIES Cllr M Dales, Mrs A Hopkinson.

094. CODE OF CONDUCT

Members were reminded of their responsibilities under the Code of Conduct.

Cllr Andrews declared an interest, personal but not prejudicial, in respect of the Wentworth Street car park. The future of which was expected to be the subject of or connected with one or more agenda items planned for the meeting.

095. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Council meeting of the 28 October 2015 be approved and signed as a correct record.

096. MATTERS ARISING

Min 179 (14-15). Open Spaces. Orchard Fields and Ladyspring Wood.

Cllr Emberley, the Clerk and Mrs Pauline Reeves from MNAP will meet Mr Housden, Planning Officer at Ryedale Council, on Friday 4 December with a view to securing a S106 fund allocation to maintain open spaces.

Min 063. Milton Rooms Committee.

A meeting is arranged for 6.30pm Tuesday 1 December as part of a programme of consultation on the proposals for taking the Rooms forward. Members were advised that they were welcome to attend.

Min 071. Wentworth Street Car Park.

Cllr Andrews reported that a date had been set for the full Ryedale District Council to consider a proposal to terminate the contract for the sale of the Car Park to GMI Holbeck, and reverse the decision of the previous Council meeting to extend the period of the contract. Eight RDC members had signed a notice requesting an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council to reconsider the matter. The meeting will take place on Thursday 14 January.

It was agreed that the Clerk would write to the Chief Executive of Ryedale DC indicating Malton Town Council's support for the proposal to terminate.

Min 071. Air Pollution

Members were advised that a meeting of the North Yorkshire County Council Ryedale Area Committee would take place at 10.00am On Wednesday 16 December at the Malton and Norton Rugby Clubhouse. The issues of air pollution in Malton, and the Arup investigation into sewers and drains are on the agenda.

Min 091. Methodist Church, Saville Street.

Cllr Emberley reported that the Church authorities were exploring the possibility of developing the building with a view to wider use, including by the community.

097. MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor reported that she had attended

1. the installation of the new seats at the War Memorial
2. the Festival of Remembrance at Norton School,
3. the St Peters Norton service on Remembrance Sunday, and at the War Memorial later on that day.
4. the service at the Old Town Hall on 11TH of November,
5. the recording of the Song for Dickens at St Peters Church.

098. FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Previously the minutes of the Committee meeting of 16 November had been circulated. The Chairman of the Committee presented the recommendations in respect of the Revenue Budget and Precept for the year 2016-17.

1. Revenue Budget and Precept for 2016-17

RESOLVED

- 1. REVENUE BUDGET.** That the Town Council approves a revenue budget of £116,750 for the financial year 2016-2017. (See Annex 1)
- 2. PRECEPT.** That the Town Council sets a precept of £116,750 for the financial year 2016-2017.
- 2. Community House.** As yet no formal confirmation had been received that the Town Council will be able to continue occupation beyond 23 December.
- 3. Appointment of Assistant Clerk.** Following interviews held on the 18th of November the position had been offered to one candidate. Formal confirmation of acceptance had not yet been received, but was expected. The Clerk undertook to advise members when the formalities were completed.

099. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

A meeting of the Steering Group had been held on 3 November.

1. The Clerk had met with the Ryedale DC Procurement Officer to seek guidance on the selection of a Planning Consultant to guide and assist the development of the Plan. A selection will be made in December.
2. Consultation on the draft site allocation document is underway. A joint meeting of the Malton and Norton Town Councils had been agreed for the 7th December to consider a response.

100. INSPECTIONS

Report. A written Inspection Report prepared by Cllrs Townsend and Emberley had been previously circulated. It was agreed that the developing document which provides reference to previous reports, and notes progress or otherwise, should be retained to form the basis of the inspection process.

A number of maintenance matters were again highlighted and will be addressed in consideration by the Finance Committee on the priority/necessity for remedial works identified, eg painting and refurbishment of gates, fences, the chapels archway etc.

Training. The Clerk had attended a rearranged inspection course on 6 November

PLANS

101. **Seven applications to the Local Planning Authority were considered.**

15/01265/LBC 15/01264/FUL	Coop Funeralcare 6 Market St Malton	External and internal alterations to include installation of replacement timber shop front, double glazed windows, fascia boarding and signage, together with widening of door frame and in-fill of existing window to rear elevation and formation of new internal layout.
15/01274/LBC	Fitzwilliam Estate 1 Talbot Yard Yorkersgate	External and internal alterations to include installation of inner glass doors and internal fitting out works.
15/01219/ADV	Armco IT Consulting 39 Greengate Malton	Display of 2no non-lit wall mounted signs following the repositioning of the existing sign.
15/01267/FUL	Encephalitis Society 32 Castlegate Malton	Change of use of part of offices (Class B1) to a mixed B1 and D1 to allow the incorporation of a neuropsychology service within the building.
15/01233/FUL	R Hopkinson Battenburgh Villa 90 Newbiggin Malton	Change of use of existing dwelling (Class C3 large family house) to a 6 bed house of multiple occupation with an existing top floor attic flat.
15/01223/TPO	A Everitt 21 The Mount Malton	To remove 1 x Wellingtonia Pine Sequoiadendron giganteum (Giant Redwood). Owners maintain that the tree presents a danger to the public via damage to the walls and pathways and via its increasing potential to be blow over.

RESOLVED

1. That the recommendation in respect of application no 15/01223/TPO be that it should be approved subject to the agreement of the Tree Officer, and a condition requiring the planting of an appropriate replacement.
2. That the remaining six applications be recommended for approval.

102. **ACCOUNTS**

Twenty-three were submitted for approval.

		£
Inland Revenue	Tax / NI	811.28
Orange	Mobile	22.67
R Yates	Materials	40.95
S Bainbridge	Cemetery assist	27.00
JB Motors	Fuel	118.42

J Lawrence	Mayors Allowance (part)	250.00
Yorkshire Internal Audit	Internal Audit	300.00
Howarth Timber	supplies Notice board	21.85
Plantscape	Winter barrier Troughs	576.00
Poppy Appeal	wreaths	55.00
Harrison Hargreaves	paint and supplies	38.76
Yorkshire Water	Cemetery supply	151.78
PKF Littlejohn	Final Audit	480.00
Thompsons Groundcare	Repair service tractor	1007.56
Coppins systems	Consultation	160.00
North Yorks Pension Fund	Contributions	1376.61
Milton Rooms Committee	S137 Grant	5000.00
MKM	Sand Gravel and Flags	89.15
M Skehan	Cash Purchases	188.90
M Skehan	Salary and Expenses	1398.89
Nov wages	Paid by Direct Credit	2423.79
Hitachi Capital	Tractor Instalment	252.62
Ryedale DC	Rates	168.00
Total		14959.23

RESOLVED

That the twenty-three accounts be approved for payment.

103. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Members were requested to approve the delegation of authority to Committee to respond to Planning applications and approve Payment of Accounts at a meeting to be held between the November 2015 Council meeting and the January 2016 Council meeting.

RESOLVED

That the Finance and General Purposes Committee be authorised to respond to planning applications and approve account payments in the period before the Council meeting of January 2016.

104 MALTON AND OLD MALTON OLD PEOPLES CHRISTMAS PARTY

A letter had been received from the temporary organiser of the party in respect of its continuation in the future.

Members agreed that the letter be first considered by Committee before being brought to Council.

105 **ANNUAL RETURN OF ACCOUNTS 2014-15.** For information.

The accounts had been approved by the External Auditor, PKF Littlejohn and signed off without qualification. The appropriate notice will be displayed.

106. **MEETINGS.** For information

Site Allocation Consultation

Joint Meeting Malton and Norton

Town Councils

Monday 7 December 6.30pm Norton TC Office

F & GP Committee

Tuesday 16 December 2.00pm. Community Hse.

Ryedale DC Extraordinary Meet

To consider Wentworth Street

Car Park contract

6.30pm Thursday 14 January 2016 Ryedale Hse.

107. **NEXT MEETING**

The next Town Council meeting was set for Wednesday 27 January 2016.

.....TOWN MAYOR. MALTON TOWN COUNCIL