

**PRESENT:**

<b>Chair:</b>	The Mayor - Councillor Margy Longhurst		
<b>Councillors:</b>	A Bell, H Gostlow, K Lacey, S Oakes, J Pickard, M Walker and H Westmancoat		
<b>Staff Present:</b>	The Clerk		
<b>Late Arrivals:</b>	None	<b>Early Departures:</b>	None

**RESOLVED:** 'That Knaresborough Town Council (KTC) agrees to formally submit the Business Case to North Yorkshire Council to facilitate the proposed transfer of Knaresborough's Chartered Market, subject to final negotiations.'

**4.2 To decide** on a communications strategy/consultation process in line with KTC's decision above.

The Clerk mentioned that once submitted, the Business Case would need to be considered at committee and Executive level within NYC and this timeframe is out of KTC's control.

**RESOLVED:** That Knaresborough Town Council (KTC) agrees to nominate Cllr J Pickard and Cllr H Gostlow as its representatives in negotiations/discussions with North Yorkshire Council concerning the transfer of the Knaresborough Market and gives delegated authority to the Clerk to support and work with them in this role.

The Market working group will continue to operate until such a time as Full Council form a Market Committee as advised.

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That KTC conduct a simple public consultation to determine support for the overall project, given that it may incur a cost to the local taxpayer in the first instance.

"Do you support Knaresborough Town Council (KTC) assuming responsibility for managing Knaresborough's chartered market, with the aim of revitalising this historic asset to better serve the residents and local business needs, acknowledging that there is financial risk to KTC and therefore a potential cost to taxpayers? KTC is committed to mitigating against the risk where it has the power to do so."

**Meeting closed at: 7:36 p.m.**

**Signed by the Mayor:**

**Councillor M Longhurst**