

**YORKSHIRE DALES NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY****FINANCE AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE**  
**NORTHERN OFFICE SUB-COMMITTEE**

Public minutes of the meeting held at Yoredale, Bainbridge on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2006.

**Present:**

Mrs A Brooks (in the Chair), TRN Harrison-Topham, C Lis and Mrs D Millward.

Co-opted members: D Heather, G Dalton.

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**24/06 PUBLIC MINUTES****RESOLVED –**

That the public minutes of the meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2006, having been printed and circulated, be taken as read and be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

**25/06 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

No notifications of public questions or of the intention to make a statement had been received.

**26/06 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC****RESOLVED -**

That pursuant to Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded during the consideration of each of the items of business listed in column 1 of the following table on the grounds that each involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 specified in column 2:

| <u>Item No on the agenda</u> | <u>Paragraph No</u> |
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| 7                            | 3 and 5             |
| 8                            | 3 and 5             |

**27/06 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None.

**28/06 DECLARATIONS OF THE EXISTENCE AND NATURE OF PERSONAL INTERESTS**

None.

**29/06 DECLARATIONS OF LOBBYING**

None.

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**The remainder of business was considered in private**

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**PUBLIC SUMMARY OF BUSINESS CONSIDERED IN PRIVATE**

**a) Private Minutes**

The Sub-Committee confirmed, as a correct record, the Private Minutes of the meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2006, which were duly signed by the Chairman.

**b) Northern Office Project**

Members considered a report from the Project Manager and Quantity Surveyor that presented the Project Manager's further advice on the final account and contractor negotiations.

The report explored the scope for the Authority to put forward a proposed settlement of a dispute with the building contractor, and dealt with those items the payment of which could be justified under the contract.

Members agreed that a letter should be drafted offering a settlement and stipulating a deadline by which it should be rejected or accepted. A report would be presented to the Finance & Resources Committee at its next meeting recommending this approach as the way forward.