

107/06(03) - **POST OFFICE CLOSURES:** The Leader of the Council submitted a written report, arising from a Notice of Motion proposed by Councillor Pat Jones and seconded by Councillor Fred Willis, calling on the Council to lobby vigorously to oppose any further closure of post offices in the Harrogate District, bearing in mind the impact earlier axing of post offices had on the wider community. In meeting with the mover of the motion, discussion had focussed upon the post office network consultation document in relation to the future of the post office network, and the impact of post office closures upon the fabric of the community, which had given rise to nationwide concerns. Discussion had also taken place on the social value of post offices and the compensation packages offered to sub-postmasters, following post office closures. The impact and damage as a result of such closures had been clearly underestimated by the post office and the Leader had, therefore, supported the aims of the motion.

Moved by Councillor Dr Gardner

Seconded by Councillor Cooper

and **RESOLVED:**

That the report and action of the Leader be accepted.