

COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Monday 13th May 2019

TIME: 7.40pm (following the Annual Parish Council Meeting)

LOCATION: Bedale Hall, Drawing Room

PRESENT: Councillors Andrew Hallett (Chair), Mike Barningham, Amanda Coates, David

Ingram, Pam Macklewain-Hallett, Christine Mollard, John Noone, Malcolm

Young

STAFF: Nick Reed (Town Clerk, minutes)

IN ATTENDANCE: NYCC Cllr Carl Les (from 8.15pm), NYCC Cllr John Weighell (from 8.30pm),

eight members of the public (MoP)

016.1920	Declarations of interest and requests for dispensation	
010.1310	Cllr Barningham declared an interest in item 024.1920.	
017.1920	20 Apologies and reasons for absence	
	Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr John Howe	
018.1920	Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 8 th April 2019	
	These were AGREED as a true record of the meeting and signed as such by the Chair.	
019.1920	Updates from minutes (not covered elsewhere on the agenda)	
019.1	Wycar / The Wynd Surfacing: The Clerk reported that NYCC Highways has agreed to	
	introduce a 7.5 tonne weight limit for through traffic on The Wynd / Wycar, and also that resurfacing these roads is also a possibility for later in 2019.	
019.2	Police Reports: The Clerk reported that Bedale Police had agreed to submit reports to the	
013.2	Council quarterly rather than monthly, and that they would attempt to make these reports	
	more comprehensive by including clear-up rates and updates.	
	A police officer then presented the current police report, which is attached to these minutes	
	as Appendix A	
020.1920	Reports of recent activity	
020.1	Cllr Mollard had attended the joint executive meeting of the Yorkshire Local Councils	
	Association and reported that YLCA's 75 th anniversary event will not now be held in Ripon	
	Cathedral as it was considered that a more central venue and a secular event would be more	
	appropriate. YLCA is inviting all member councils to prepare a display for an exhibition at	
	their annual conference on 13 th September. Cllr Mollard has also been selected to attend a	
	Buckingham Palace reception on behalf of YLCA.	
	Cllr Barningham attended the annual meeting of the Tourist Information Centre and reported	
	that the TIC was going from strength to strength, with visitor numbers and book sales up, to	
	the extent that they would not be asking for donations from the Town Council or their other	
	usual supporters this year.	
	All councillors present had attended the Tour de Yorkshire in Bedale, and Clirs Coates and	
	Hallett had attended the Help for Heroes Tour de Yorkshire reception at Phoenix House.	



Cllrs Coates, Hallett, Macklewain-Hallett, Mollard and Young had attended the Bedale Twinning Association Annual General Meeting. Cllr Coates had attended a Scouts and Guides Festival planning meeting. Cllrs Mollard and Young had attended several meetings with and on behalf of the Bedale Ambassadors scheme for the Tour de Yorkshire. 020.2 District Cllrs Barningham and Noone noted that there was no relevant activity to report, primarily because of the 'purdah' period before District Council elections during which councillors' activities were necessarily limited. 021.1920 **Financial Statement and Approvals for Payment** 021.1 The Council **RESOLVED** to approve the following payments: Salaries (Clerk / Asst Clerk / Caretaker / Cleaner); TWC Group (toilet roll) £111.60; Elstob & Elstob (valuation of Mayoral chain) £60; Ian Smithson CFPA (internal audit) £105.00; J. Cockburn (Community Awards expenses) £21.50; Hampshire Flag Company (purchase of Red Ensign) £107.75; JT Atkinson and Sons (Bridge St toilet supplies) £14.01; P. Ellis (bus shelter maintenance) £60.00; and Farm & Land Services Ltd (grass cutting / grounds maintenance) £3,762.00. The following payments regarding the Tour de Yorkshire were also approved: Chris Berry Band (music) £600; Instantprint (leaflets) £91; Media Displays Ltd (big screen) £1,932; HVW Ltd (hi-vis vests) £192; Reaction Fireworks Ltd £1,200; J. Millar ('silly cycle' display) £350; North Yorkshire Conveniences (portaloos) £826.94; Hotline Group (souvenir water bottles) £702.90; D. Allison (banner structures) £441.75; and Bedale Golf Club (TdY ambassadors accommodation) £60; The Council also NOTED debits of £150 (cash float for TdY car boot sale) and £120 (refund of cancelled car boot sale). The Council **RESOLVED** to approve payments made by credit card to: Dropbox (annual subscription) £79.00; Fastprint (TdY car stickers) £414.04; Amazon (TdY ambassadors caps) £63.75; and New Venture (anti climb paint) £17.04. The Council NOTED receipts in April from: Market rents £701.50; Northern Powergrid "Wayleaves" scheme £11.50; Car Boot Sale fees £360.00; Bedale Park licences / overflow car parking £400; Hambleton DC precept £32,132.00; HDC Community Infrastructure Levy £12.444.41; HDC Tour de Yorkshire Grant £2,000; and HMRC VAT reclaimed Oct-Mar £5,579.57. The Council's cash book balance after these transactions was noted as being £138,224.63 021.2 The Council **RESOLVED** to approve the following variable direct debits to be taken monthly in 2019-20: Hambleton DC (business rates for market); Opus Energy (electricity for Market bollards and Bridge St Toilets); and LCC Communications (telephone and broadband). 022.1920 **Tour de Yorkshire** The Council noted that the Tour de Yorkshire finish in Bedale had been a great success, with many thousands of people in town and good publicity generated from those attending on the day, via the race broadcast and in subsequent news broadcasts and social media. The Council thanked the TdY Steering Group, which had been attended by nearly 50 people over five monthly meetings, with particular thanks for Cllrs Mollard and Young for coordinating the Bedale Ambassadors, Donna Stothard and Neil Hellawell of Brand Bedale for



co-ordinating Bedale Park activities and Market Place decoration; and Yvonne Rose of the Community Forum for leading on PR and publicity.

Councillors and a MoP on behalf of Bedale and Villages Community Forum, thanked the Clerk for chairing the Steering Group and his commitment to the project

023.1920 Parking for Car Boot Sales

The Council noted that two complaints had been received regarding the Car Boot Sale on Easter Saturday, which had been exceptionally busy. Firstly, a MoP had been taking their children out of the play area and was surprised by a car driving along the footpath between the play area and the park railings. Councillors noted that installation of bollards or similar to prevent vehicular access while allowing prams and mobility scooters had been recommended in the past and **RESOLVED** that this should now be done.

Action: Clerk to investigate and commission suitable hardware

Secondly, there had been two general complaints about parking on verges and the sheer number of irregularly parked cars on and around North End on busy Saturdays. The Council had been advised by NY Police that it was unlikely that a traffic offence had been committed, but also noted that it is deemed to have the right to restrict parking, e.g. for the bonfire. It was agreed that no immediate action was necessary but that the situation should be monitored with summer on the way.

Action: Clerk to contact NYCC Highways to establish the ownership of the verges, and whether and how parking may be restricted should the Council wish it

024.1920 | Assignment of Lease

The Clerk introduced the matter by explaining for the benefit of newer councillors and MoP that the Town Council along with Aiskew and Leeming Bar Parish Council [ALBPC], have agreed to assign the leasehold of Bedale Hall, and a small part of Bedale Park, to Bedale Hall Charitable Incorporated Organisation [CIO]. At the same time, unit 9 of the building is being assigned to Incy Wincy's Nursery. After several months of inaction at the Council's solicitors, they have assigned a new staff member to the case and activity has recommenced. The Clerk and his ALBPC counterpart are meeting Bedale Hall CIO representatives on 21st May to progress this matter. It was NOTED that there will be legal costs incurred by these transactions, and that these had been approved in 2016, but also that Incy Wincy's are covering all costs on both sides of their part of the assignment.

Action: Clerk to progress and report back to Council as necessary

025.1920 | Planning applications and decisions

The Council considered application **18/00900/FUL** for alteration of garage to create a habitable room, and an extension to the side elevation, at 74 Iddison Drive. It **RESOLVED** that it had no objection to the application but wished a comment to be added noting general concerns that garage conversions may cause excessive on-street parking on the Southfields Estate.

The Council considered application **18/00905/FUL** for the demolition of a Nissen hut and change of use of barn, with extension, for domestic accommodation at Springfield Farm, and



RESOLVED to support the application.

The Council NOTED the refusal of application 08/00592/FUL for 14 dwellings at Bedale Allotments, and the approval of applications: 18/02746/FUL and 18/02747/LBC at 23 Market Place; 19/00288/ADV and 19/00291/LBC at The Three Coopers, Emgate; 19/00429/FUL at 51 Iddison Drive; and 19/00464/FUL at 60 Firby Road.

026.1920 Correspondence

A record of correspondence received is attached to these minutes as Appendix B. The Council considered the request from Mowbray School for support regarding the Knaresborough Bed Race and **RESOLVED** to make a Section 137 award of up to £400 to cover the race entry fee and construction / renovation of the bed.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.

SIGNED:	(Chair)
DATE:	



Appendix A

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED 9th April – 9th May

1. From: MoP x many Date April 2019

Requests for information about the Tour de Yorkshire in Bedale

2. From: **MoP** Date **12/4/19**

Reporting concern about an overgrown hedge potentially limiting footpath access on the Southfields Estate

3. From: North Yorkshire CC Date 12/4/19

Formal notification of road closures on Friday 3rd May for the Tour de Yorkshire

4. From: **MoP** Date **16/4/19**

Information about debris, vegetation and fallen branches clogging Bedale Beck adjacent to the Water Works.

5. From: **Hambleton DC** Date **18/4/19**

Notification of planning committee meeting on 25 April to discuss the proposed development at Bedale allotments.

6. From: Welcome to Yorkshire Date 18/4/19

Information about the progress of W2Y internal investigations and the resignation of Ron MacMillan as Chair of the organisation/

7. From: **MoP** Date **18/4/19**

Trying to get in contact with a car boot sale trader

8. From: **MoP** Date **20/4/19**

Information about loose fixings on a Bedale Park bench

9. From: **MoP** Date **20/4/19**

Reporting concerns over illegal and/or dangerous parking in town on car boot sale days

10. From: **MoP** Date **24/4/19**

Report of inappropriate driving on the Bedale Park footpath during a car boot sale

11. From: **YLCA** Date **24/4/19**

Information about training courses for newly-elected councillors

12. From: **MoP** Date **30/4/19**



Request that the Council considering including accessible play equipment in any potential new or upgraded play facility in Bedale Park

- 13. From: MoP x 5 Date **1/5/19** Complaints regarding a badly advertised parking suspension on Market Place and South
 - End. [Clerk's note; this was related to NYCC Highways and all tickets issued have been rescinded]
- 14. Date 1/5/19 From: MoP Complaint that a firework display was included in Bedale's Tour de Yorkshire event, on the grounds of noise and disturbance to animals
- 15. From: UK Cycling Events Date **2/5/19** Advance notice with supporting documentation of non-competitive "Ride Yorkshire" cycle event passing through Bedale on Sunday 11th August
- From: North Yorkshire Police 16. Date **2/5/19** Notification of an incident of criminal damage to the Youth Shelter in Bedale Park
- From: Bedale and Villages Community Forum 17. Date **2/5/19** Notification of the next meeting of BVCF, on Thursday 16th May at 7.30pm in Bedale Hall
- 18. From: Bedale Hall Date **2/5/19** Request for clarification about circus dates in Bedale Park. [These are 4-5 June]
- 19. From: Community First Yorkshire Date **7/5/19** Information about the Volunteering in North Yorkshire [VINY] directory
- 20. From: Mowbray School Date **7/5/19** Information that Mowbray has been accepted into the Knaresborough Bed Race and that they require £400 for the race entry fee and construction of the bed.



Appendix B

POLICE UPDATE FOR BEDALE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY 13TH MAY 2019

Crime figures

The figures below are for Bedale and Aiskew parish and show crimes reported since 1st January 2019 to 30th April 2019. Figures on the right show the number of these reports within the last month – April 2019.

Crimes	(within last month)
Arson and Criminal Damage: 21 reports	5 reports
Burglaries: 5 reports	1 reports
<u>Drug Offences</u> : 4 report	0 reports
<u>Theft</u> : 22 reports	8 reports
<u>Vehicle offences</u> : 5 reports	2 reports
Violence against a person (including harassment): 31 reports	8 reports
<u>Fraud</u> : 5 reports	1 report
Public order offences: 0 reports	0 reports

Within April 2019, Police attended the following general incidents within the above parishes Bedale and Aiskew

Road traffic accidents and reports (primarily reports and incidents on A1)

- 6 accident
- 8 offences and other road related reports (speeding, manner of driving etc)
- 9 highway disruption

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB), alarms and suspicious circumstance reports

- 11 ASB. Includes litter, parking, abandoned vehicles, dog fouling, rowdy behaviour and street drinking, malicious communications, texts, emails, face book and neighbour disputes
- 10 Alarms abandoned calls and concern for safety reports
- 12 suspicious circumstance reports



Crime Reports

Within April 2019, examples of crime reports for the parishes Bedale and Aiskew

<u>Type</u>	<u>Outcome</u>
Assault x4	No complaint
Attempt fraud	Action fraud dealing
Make off without payment of fuel x1	International vehicle no further action
Domestic incidents x 4	2x Under investigation
	2x no further action
Criminal Damage	4x no further action
	1x words of advice
Theft from Lorry	Under investigation

We urge residents to be on lookout and report suspicious activity or vehicles at the time any suspect activity occurs using the national 101 non-emergency number. Always dial 999 in an emergency or if a crime is in progress.