




**DATE:** 11<sup>th</sup> May 2020  
**TIME:** 7.00pm  
**LOCATION:** Virtually via Zoom – for login details please contact the Clerk,  
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**To the members of the Council:**

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Bedale Town Council for the purpose of transacting the following business:

Signed:  Date: 5<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Nick Reed, Clerk to the Council

- 001.2021 Standing orders** – to consider and approve an addendum to the Council's standing orders to allow the smooth management of virtual meetings
- 002 Declarations of interest in agenda Items** and requests for dispensations
- 003 Apologies** and consideration of reasons for absence
- 004 Minutes** of the Town Council meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2020
- 005 Updates** from minutes (not covered elsewhere on the agenda)
  - 005.1 Memorial benches** – to discuss further the number, design/s and location of the memorial benches agreed in principle at March's meeting.
  - 005.2 Bedale Park toilets** – to note further unavoidable delay to the work of improving these toilets
  - 005.3 Hambleton DC Make a Difference grants** – to note the partial approval of both grant applications made by the Town Council to this fund - £1,600 for Christmas lights and £1,300 for the Illuminated Address parade, and discussions concerning the cancellation of the latter event.
- 006 Reports of recent activity**
  - 006.1 Reports from external body meetings attended by Town Councillors**
  - 006.2 Reports from District / County Councillors**
- 007 Financial statement and approvals for payment**
  - 007.1 Retrospective approval of April's financial statement** – to formally approve the statement and authorise payments made in April, after the cancellation of April's Council meeting due to COVID-19 restrictions
  - 007.2 May financial statement** – to approve this statement and authorise payments.

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- 007.3 Direct debits** – to approve direct debit payments to be taken during 2020-21 by Opus Energy (electricity – Market Place and Bridge St toilets), Hambleton DC (business rates for market), LCC Communications (telephone and broadband), Business Stream (water for Bridge St toilets), and Welcome to Yorkshire (annual membership)
- 008 Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) alterations** – to note information from PKF Littlejohn, re-appointed by the Smaller Authorities Audit Appointments Ltd as external auditors, regarding alterations to the submission deadlines for completed AGARs, and potential alterations to the period of exercise of public rights.
- 009 Covid-19 response** – to note the work community groups offering help to vulnerable townspeople, formally approve financial support already given by this Council (£500 for N. York Scrubs, up to £500 and staff time for Bedale COVID-19 Mutual Aid), and consider any other potential financial support the Town Council may wish to give to community organisations.
- 010 Annual meetings** – to confirm, per an online discussion of the full Council, that the Annual Town Council Meeting will be deferred to 10<sup>th</sup> May 2021, in accordance with Local Authorities and Police Crime Panels (Coronavirus) [Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panels] (England and Wales) Regulations 2020, and that the Annual Parish Meeting will be deferred until such time it can be held safely “in person”.
- 011 Steps between Bedale Beck and Brookside Avenue** – to note that these steps are currently closed pending repair by North Yorkshire County Council, and to consider funding the re-attachment of a handrail at a cost of labour time only once the steps are re-opened.
- 012 Bus shelter cleaning** – to consider the appropriate regularity for cleaning the bus shelter, while COVID-19 precautions are in place and after they are lifted.
- 013 YLCA representative** – to appoint a councillor to replace Cllr Coates as a voting representative to the YLCA alongside Cllr Mollard.
- 014 Bedale Hall flag** – to formally agree supporting half the cost of the purchase of a NHS flag to fly
- 015 Planning applications and decisions** – to consider planning matters including:  
20/00811/FUL – revised application for a 59-unit extra care facility at Easby’s Field, Queen Anne’s Drive  
Also to note planning decisions made by consensus between meetings to support applications 20/00607/FUL for works at Springfield Farm, and 20/00554/LBC for replacement of windows and front door at 2 Albert Row  
And, to note APP/G2713/W/20/3245637, an appeal to the Secretary of State against the refusal of planning permission for three dormer bungalows behind 5 South End (Eccles Heddon Solicitors)  
Finally, to note recent planning decisions.
- 016 Correspondence** (background papers provided)

*Members of the public may speak on any matter at the discretion of the Chair of the meeting*