

DATE: Monday 10th May 2021
TIME: 7.30pm
LOCATION: The Ballroom, Bedale Hall
PRESENT: Cllrs Andrew Hallett (Chair), Mike Barningham, Kayleigh Catford, Amanda Coates, David Ingram, Pam Macklewain-Hallett, Christine Mollard, John Noone, Malcolm Young
STAFF: Nick Reed (Clerk), Judith Cockburn (Assistant Clerk, minutes)
IN ATTENDANCE: One member of the public (MoP)

015.2122	Declarations of interest in agenda items and requests for dispensation: Cllr Ingram declared a non-pecuniary interest in Agenda item 025.2122.
016.2122	Apologies and consideration of reasons for absence: Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Howe.
017.2122	Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 12 th April 2021: The Council RESOLVED to approve the minutes as a true record of the meeting, and they were signed as such by the Chair.
018.2122	Updates from minutes: (not covered elsewhere on the agenda)
018.1	Car Boot Sales – to consider confirming Saturday 5 th June 2021 as the first car boot sale of the year, with sales taking place weekly until 16 th October: The Council RESOLVED that car boot sales could commence on 5 th June as previously planned and further RESOLVED that the continuation of the sales be considered as a standing agenda item between June and October.
018.2	Market Place street scene – to note the purchase of the planters as approved at April’s meeting, and that an augmented litter pick, planting party, and setting up of a herb bed is planned for Sunday 16 th May: The Council noted that the telephone box at South End would open with a plant swap on 16 th May, as part of the Bedale Litter Busters “Town Tidy Day”.
019.2122	Reports of recent activity:
019.1	Reports from external body meetings attended by Town Councillors: Cllrs Coates and Mollard had attended the YLCA virtual annual conference, and Cllr Mollard had also attended a YLCA Joint Executive meeting. Cllr Mollard had attended a “walkabout” with the Litter Busters to identify areas needing improvement in the town, to inform the Town Tidy Day per item 018.2. Cllrs Coates, Hallett and Mollard had attended a Bedale Town Team meeting with Hambleton DC’s Vibrant Market Town team.

019.2	<p>Reports from District/ County Councillors: Hambleton DC Cllr Barningham reported that HDC were holding a local business forum at the Centre for Digital Innovation on 12th May. He added that HDC was to commence in-person meetings with its Annual Council Meeting on 18th May.</p>
020.2122 020.1	<p>Financial statement and approvals for payment: The Council noted the financial statement as circulated and RESOLVED to approve the following payments: Staff salaries; Streetscape Ltd (replacement springer and surfacing in Bedale Park) £3,552.00; Joint Burial Committee (precept) £2,892.31; Bedale Hall CIO (annual office rent) £1,680.00; Rentokil (pest control in Park) £162.00; Strikes Garden Centre (purchase of planters) £360.00; Bedale Print Shop (Market receipt books) £80.00; Bedale Print Shop (stationery) £25.99. The Council's cash book balance after these transactions was NOTED as being £143,090.97. The Council noted that the Zoom credit card subscription payment was the final one, with the subscription lapsing now meetings are back as in-person.</p>
021.2122	<p>Planning matters – to consider planning applications including: 21/00831/LBC–Listed building consent for alterations to the layout of the existing restaurant, temporary access ramp to the rear and replacement signage to the front elevation at 7-9 North End, Bedale; <i>The Council RESOLVED that it supports the application.</i> 21/00994/FUL – Removal of external garage door to integrated garage and replace it with a wall and double window, in fitting with the rest of the house and development at 2 Tornado Close; <i>The Council RESOLVED that it has no objection to the application, but noting that there is considerable off-street parking at this property and that this decision should not imply that converting indoor garages into residential space will always be acceptable.</i></p> <p>The Council also NOTED notification of three caravan rallies at Bedale Camping and Caravanning as permitted development, and the granting of applications 21/00284/ADV, 21/00241/LBC and 21/00242/FUL at the Co-op, Market Place.</p>
022.2122	<p>Community Infrastructure Levy – to note the payment by Hambleton DC of £10,997.94 CIL contributions, and to consider allocating from these up to £5,000 for setting the “Covid Caterpillar” in place alongside an interpretation board, and up to £6,000 towards extending the Christmas light fittings down Bridge Street and South End: The Council noted that a grant application for £5,000 for the caterpillar had been turned down and that an award of £2,000 had been made against an £8,000 application for Christmas lights. Bearing this in mind, the Council RESOLVED to allocate the CIL sum towards these two projects as suggested.</p>

<p>023.2122</p>	<p>Encroaching foliage – to note reports of bushes, trees and shrubs in private gardens overgrowing pavements and footpaths around town, and to consider ways of reminding residents of their responsibilities in this area: The Council heard that NYCC Highways were to mount a campaign on this issue later in May, and AGREED to support this campaign via social media, the Council website, and possibly door-to-door letters. ACTION: Clerk to contact NYCC Cllr Weighell asking for assistance on this matter</p>
<p>024.2122</p>	<p>Bridge Street Toilets – to note continuing comments about the state of these toilet, and consider extending the regular cleaner’s hours and/or commissioning a regular professional deep clean facility: The Council RESOLVED to commission a professional deep/steam clean once a month, and to increase the cleaner’s hours to enable them better to keep the facility clean during the day.</p>
<p>025.2122</p>	<p>Well-being garden at Bedale High School – to consider donating £250 under section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 towards materials for a well-being garden for the benefit of student’s mental health: The Council was strongly in favour of this proposal, noting the importance of mental health and well-being for this cohort of students during and after Covid, and accordingly RESOLVED to make a Section 137 award of £500 towards the purchase of a fountain and other materials.</p>
<p>026.2122</p>	<p>Correspondence (background papers provided – see Appendix A)</p>

The meeting closed at 8:34pm.

SIGNED: (Chair)

DATE:

Appendix A**CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED 9th April – 6th May 2021.**
(which is not addressed in the substance of the agenda)

1. From: **MoP x many** Date **various**
Car boot sale enquiries
2. From: **MoP** Date **09/04/2021**
Comment about trees at Bedale High School [*passed on to NYCC environment team*]
3. From: **St Gregory's Church** Date **09/04/2021**
Ensuring the Church's response to the death of HRH Prince Philip was co-ordinated with the Town Councils.
4. From: **MoP** Date **13/04/2021**
Request for information about a WW1 plaque found in their attic.
5. From: **MoP x2** Date **14/04/2021**
Comments on the state of Bedale Leech House [*passed to Aiskew and Leeming Bar PC*]
6. From: **MoP** Date **15/04/2021**
Request for information about disc parking
7. From: **Hambleton DC Contributions team** Date **15/04/2021**
Notification of CIL contributions [*see agenda item 022*]
8. From: **Hambleton DC Waste and Street Scene** Date **16/04/2021**
Offer of "take your litter home" signs for display at areas prone to littering / fly-tipping.
9. From: **MoP x2** Date **19/04/2021**
Comments about potential hazard at Southfields play area [*promptly fixed*]
10. From: **MoP** Date **20/04/2021**
Request for general information about health and fitness facilities in Bedale
11. From: **MoP** Date **20/04/2021**
Request for information about bandstand usage
12. From: **MoP** Date **20/04/2021**
Notification of various spelling errors on BTC website [*promptly fixed*]
13. From: **MoP x4** Date **28-30/04/2021**
Information that the Bridge St gent's toilet coin mechanism was not working [*now fixed*]
14. From: **MoP** Date **02/05/2021**
Comment about Bedale Park play area zip line needing tightening [*referred to specialist*]
15. From: **MoP** Date **03/05/2021**

Comment in support of pavement cafes on Market Place

16. From: **MoP** Date **03/05/2021**
Complaint about overfull litter bins by Mowbray School [*passed on to NYCC*]
17. From: **Exelby Leeming and Londonderry PC** Date **04/05/2021**
Request for information about the boundary between Bedale TC and ELLPC.
18. From: **MoP** Date **03/05/2021**
Thanking the Council for promptly fixing the gents toilet coin box