

**DATE:** Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2021  
**TIME:** 7 pm  
**LOCATION:** Drawing Room, Bedale Hall  
**PRESENT:** Cllrs Andrew Hallett (Chair), Mike Barningham, Kayleigh Catford, Amanda Coates, John Howe, David Ingram, Pam Macklewain-Hallett, Christine Mollard, John Noone, Malcolm Young  
**STAFF:** Nick Reed (Clerk), Judith Cockburn (Assistant Clerk, minutes)  
**IN ATTENDANCE:** No others

038.2122	<b>Declarations of interest in agenda items</b> and requests for dispensation: There were none.
039.2122	<b>Apologies</b> and consideration of reasons for absence: There were none, all Councillors being present.
040.2122	<b>Minutes</b> of the Town Council meeting held on 14th June 2021: The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to approve the minutes as a true record of the meeting, and they were signed as such by the Chair.
041.2122 041.1  041.2	<b>Updates from minutes:</b> (not covered elsewhere on the agenda) <b>Car Boot Sales</b> – to consider reaffirming Saturday car boot sales can continue in Bedale as planned: The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> that the car boot sales should continue as scheduled, with the situation continuing to be reviewed at each Town Council meeting. <b>Calvert Way play area</b> – to note that the transfer of this land to the Town Council has still not occurred due to an ongoing minor legal issue between Persimmon Homes and the land’s previous owner: The Clerk reported that Hambleton DC legal department are kindly acting on the Town Council’s behalf in this matter and that a straightforward conclusion is to be expected as no parties are in any disagreement on the matter.
042.2122 042.1  042.2	<b>Reports of recent activity:</b> <b>Reports from external body meetings attended by Town Councillors:</b> Cllr Mollard had attended a YLCA Hambleton district meeting where there was an interesting discussion of risk assessment in the workplace. Cllr Coates attended an online NYCC discussion forum, and a community meeting organised by the Bedale Co-op community team. <b>Reports from District/ County Councillors:</b> Hambleton DC Cllr John Noone reported that the air quality in Hambleton is now among the best into the country. He added that the Boundary Commission has published proposed constituency boundary changes, which would see Bedale

042.3	<p>and surrounds moved to the Thirsk and Malton constituency from Richmond (Yorks). The consultation on these proposals closes on 2<sup>nd</sup> August, with more details available on the HDC website. Finally, he noted that Bedale and Stokesley Leisure Centres have been awarded a national award by Quest.</p> <p>HDC Cllr Mike Barningham reported that the district council has earmarked “welcome back” funding to encourage people back into market towns, including by increasing the regularity of high street cleaning and providing flexible seating to enhance the visitor experience and remain Covid safe.</p> <p><b>Quarterly report from North Yorkshire Police:</b></p> <p>PCSO Gary Smith-Owen introduced the police report as circulated and discussed the crime figures for the first quarter of 2021-22, noting that overall figures were consistently low, and that the force’s main area of focus remains anti-social behaviour.</p>
043.2122	<p><b>Financial statement and approvals for payment</b> – to receive a financial statement and approve payments.</p> <p>The Council noted the financial statement as circulated and <b>RESOLVED</b> to approve the following payments:</p> <p>Staff salaries; Ian Smithson (internal audit) £105; Northdale Horticulture (summer planting) £334.58; TWC Ltd (toilet tissue, Bedale Park) £64.80; Bedale Plumbing &amp; Heating (Bridge St toilet repair) £119.40; Bedale Window Cleaning (bandstand clean) £45; TWC Ltd (toilet tissue, Bridge St) £37.20; W Braithwaite &amp; Sons (summer planting) £696.40.</p> <p>The Council’s cash book balance after these transactions was NOTED as being £145,727.01.</p>
044.2122	<p><b>Planning matters</b> – to consider planning applications including:</p> <p><b>21/0100/FUL &amp; 21/00101/LBC</b> – change of use from first floor office to residential flat at 1 Market Place:</p> <p><i>The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> that it supports the former application as it would bring an unused unit into much-needed residential use, but objected to the latter on the grounds that no meaningful information had been produced about the impact of the proposed works on the listed building.</i></p> <p><b>21/01621/FUL</b> – Construction of a replacement roof and reduction of one stable on an existing stable block:</p> <p><i>The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> that it supports the application.</i></p> <p><b>21/01621/REM</b> – reserved matters regarding access, appearance, landscaping, layout, and scale of agricultural worker’s dwelling at Bridge Grange Farm:</p> <p><i>The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to object to the application on the grounds of scale and the adverse effect on the surrounding area.</i></p> <p>The following planning authority decisions are as follows:</p> <p><b>21/00994/FUL</b> - 2 Tornado Close has been <i>granted</i>.</p> <p><b>21/01112/ADV</b> – 9 North End has been <i>granted</i>.</p> <p><b>21/01155/FUL &amp; 21/01156/LBC</b> – 38 Market Place has been <i>granted</i>.</p> <p><b>21/01255/FUL</b> – 7 Calvert Way has been <i>granted</i>.</p>

<p><b>045.2122</b></p>	<p><b>Funfair weekends</b> – to consider leaving the second weekend of May free in the car boot sale diary every year to allow for a funfair weekend in Bedale Park: The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> that the second weekend in May be set aside annually for a funfair in Bedale Park.</p>
<p><b>046.2122</b> 046.1  046.2</p>	<p><b>Grass cutting:</b> To consider varying the grounds maintenance contract so that the town’s large, grassed areas – Bedale Park, Wycar Green, Southfields and Burrill Road – are cut fortnightly between May and September, rather than three-weekly: The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to proceed with fortnightly cutting between May and September, with immediate effect. To appoint a working group of three Councillors plus the Clerk, to draw up the tender document for the grass cutting contract from April 2022 – March 2025, consider tenders received, and recommend an appointment to the Council: It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the working group would consist of Cllrs Catford, Hallett and Mollard along with the Clerk.</p>
<p><b>047.2122</b> 047.1  047.2  047.3</p>	<p><b>Christmas matters</b> To consider applying for a road closure and parking suspension on Market Place from Bridge Street to Emgate between 6am-6pm on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November, at a cost of not exceeding £1,000 including traffic management and licensing fees: The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to apply for this road closure as proposed, with the closure times being 6am-7pm and the closure staffed from 6-9am and 4-7pm. To consider changing the timing of Santa’s arrival and the Christmas Lights switch-on to 4:30pm, as a road closure would remove any traffic issues: The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to keep to the past timing of 5.30pm, subject to Santa’s timetable and approval. To consider purchasing around 20 artificial or artistic Christmas trees to be fitted in the existing brackets above shop doors on North End/ Market Place, at a cost not exceeding £1,000: The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to approve this expenditure.</p>
<p><b>048.2122</b></p>	<p><b>Platinum Jubilee beacon</b> – to consider whether, and if so how, to take part in the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee beacon lighting at 9:15pm on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2022, and the preceding piping of <i>Diu Regnare</i>: The Council AGREED that there is no appropriate high ground in the parish to place a beacon, and nor would the purchase of a beacon represent good value <b>ACTION:</b> <i>Clerk to contact the Rector of St Gregory’s Church to enquire if it is possible to place a bespoke beacon at the top of the Church tower.</i></p>
<p><b>049.2122</b></p>	<p><b>Bedale Park toilets</b> – to formally approve expenditure of £930 to install an improved flush system to the toilets, allowing a full instant flush and therefore allowing the toilets to manage the increased usage during a busy car boot sale: The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to approve this expenditure.</p>

<p><b>050.2122</b></p>	<p><b>Car Boot Sale 2<sup>nd</sup> October</b> – to note that the beneficiary organisation has withdrawn from this sale, and consider how the resulting gap might be filled: The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to select a beneficiary at random from those who missed their allocated 2020 and 20201 dates due to Covid.</p>
<p><b>051.2122</b> Item 12  Item 13</p>	<p><b>Correspondence</b> (background papers provided – see Appendix A) Cllr Howe volunteered to create a summary document for Councillors based on <i>The Parish Councillor’s Guide to Affordable Housing</i>. <b>Bedale Litter Busters</b> – The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to approve the management of the Market Place telephone kiosk by Bedale Litter Busters.</p>

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 9:15pm.

**SIGNED:** ..... (Chair)

**DATE:** .....

**Appendix A****CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED 10<sup>th</sup> June – 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021.**

(Which is not addressed in the substance of the agenda)

1. From: **MoP x3** Date **14-16/06/2021**  
Comments about the regularity of grass cutting around the town.
2. From: **MoP** Date **18/06/2021**  
Complaint about parking suspensions
3. From: **Yorkshire Society** Date **21/06/2021**  
Newsletter and update, including cancellation of the 2021 Yorkshire Awards.
4. From: **Northern Gas** Date **24/06/2021**  
Information about gas mains upgrade in and around Bedale, starting on 27<sup>th</sup> July.
5. From: **Royal Mail Northallerton** Date **28/06/2021**  
Information about competition to design a knitted topper for the Market Place post-box, and request for a judge for the competition [*The Mayor has agreed to do this*]
6. From: **NYCC Highways** Date **28/06/2021**  
Consultation about placement of new disc zone parking sign on South End
7. From: **West Witton PC** Date **30/06/2021**  
Enquiry about the poppies exhibited annually on the Bedale Hall railings {*referred to Bedale branch, Royal British Legion*}
8. From: **NYCC Highways** Date **01/07/2021**  
Confirming that the Lyngarth Estate is not yet adopted public highway (and that therefore any dog bins would have to be installed by residents or the developer rather than Hambleton DC).
9. From: **Co-op local ambassador** Date **02/07/2021**  
Information about an informal community forum
10. From: **MoP** Date **05/07/2021**  
Wishing to know how to advocate for parking restrictions to enable safe egress from their narrow driveway onto the main road [*referred to NYCC Highways*]
11. From: **Bedale Methodist Church** Date **06/07/2021**  
Information that they wish to take a full part in the Bedale Christmas Festival
12. From: **Hambleton DC** Date **07/07/2021**  
Circulating the "Parish Councillor's Guide to Affordable Housing"
13. From: **Bedale Litter Busters** Date **08/07/2021**  
Request to adopt the telephone kiosk on Market Place.
14. From: **MoP x many** Date **various**  
Car boot sale enquiries
15. From: **MoP x several** Date **various**  
Enquiries about Yorkshire Day Market stalls

**Appendix B**



**Hambleton Command : Town and Parish Council Report**

Town or Parish	Bedale Including Aiskew
Report Completed by:	6782 Lees
Data Reporting Period:	April 2021

**Crime and ASB Data**

Qualifier	No of Incidents	
Anti-social behaviour	11	
Auto crime	0	
Burglary:	<i>Commercial: 0</i>	<i>Residential: 1</i>
Criminal Damage	1	
Theft (including from shops)	2	
Violence Against the Person	4	
Other crimes including Drugs	7	
<b>TOTAL THIS PERIOD</b>	<b>26</b>	

*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.*



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Town or Parish	Bedale Including Aiskew
Report Completed by:	6782 Lees
Data Reporting Period:	May 2021

### Crime and ASB Data

Qualifier	No of Incidents	
Anti-social behaviour	11	
Auto crime	3	
Burglary:	<i>Commercial: 0</i>	<i>Residential: 0</i>
Criminal Damage	3	
Theft (including from shops)	1	
Violence Against the Person	7	
Other crimes including Drugs	5	
<b>TOTAL THIS PERIOD</b>	<b>30</b>	

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