

**DATE:** Monday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2021  
**TIME:** 7 pm  
**LOCATION:** Drawing Room, Bedale Hall  
**PRESENT:** Cllrs Andrew Hallett (Chair), Mike Barningham, 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:** One member of the public (MoP)

<b>051.2122</b>	<b>Declarations of interest in agenda items</b> and requests for dispensation: Cllr Young declared an interest in item 59.2122.
<b>052.2122</b>	<b>Apologies</b> and consideration of reasons for absence: Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Kayleigh Catford.
<b>053.2122</b>	<b>Minutes</b> of the Town Council meeting held on 12th July 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.
<b>054.2122</b>	<b>Updates from minutes:</b> (not covered elsewhere on the agenda)
054.1	<b>Car Boot Sales</b> – to consider reaffirming that 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.
054.2	<b>PAT testing</b> – to note that the Council offices have now been PAT tested: The Clerk reported that PAT testing of the Council’s office equipment had been completed but there were additional items held in the loft to be tested as soon as possible.
054.3	<b>Christmas Market closure</b> – to note that the road closure had been granted by NYCC Highways from 6am – 7pm on Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2021: The Council <b>NOTED</b> this with pleasure.
<b>055.2122</b>	<b>Reports of recent activity:</b>
055.1	<b>Reports from external body meetings attended by Town Councillors:</b> Cllrs Coates, Hallett and Mollard had attended a Hambleton DC virtual meeting concerning the regeneration and regrowth of Bedale. Cllr Mollard had also attended a YLCA Joint Executive Board meeting where she had been elected as a deputy representative for North Yorkshire NALC. Cllrs Barningham, Hallett and Noone had attended a Bedale Hall trustees meeting where they had discussed looking at increasing room hire usage in 2022; they further reported that a Government Covid recovery grant of £10,000 had covered the Hall’s lockdown losses, and that the Hall was again considering the installation of a barrier on the car park.

055.2	<p><b>Reports from District/ County Councillors:</b>  Hambleton DC Cllr Mike Barningham reported that the Covid figures in Hambleton were reducing. Also, that HDC were looking to install a 3G sports pitch in Bedale and would be conducting a £10,000 feasibility study first. He further noted that HDC are supporting apprenticeships in the workplace, and plans to host a conference on 30<sup>th</sup> September to connect businesses with potential funding for apprenticeships.</p>
056.2122	<p><b>Financial statement and approvals for payment</b> – to receive a financial statement and approve payments.  The Council noted the financial statement as circulated and <b>RESOLVED</b> to approve the following payments:  Staff salaries; Rentokil (initial deep clean of Bridge St toilets) £1,036.80; Ian Watkins (25x stone roses for Market Place planters) £280.00; Cllr Coates (planters/plants for Market Place) £99.97; NY Conveniences (portaloo for car boot sale) £180; TWC Facilities Ltd (toilet tissue) £37.20; Artisan Locksmiths (new lock for Bridge St toilets) 128.00; House &amp; Home (keys/compost/brushes) £31.07; Bedale Cricket Club (refund for cancelled car boot sale) £120; and Streetscape Ltd (repair to Bedale Park aerial runway) £240.00.  The Council’s cash book balance after these transactions was NOTED as being £151,472.77.</p>
057.2122	<p><b>Planning matters</b> – to consider planning applications including:  <b>21/01502/FUL</b>– Demolition of existing double domestic garage and change of use for creation of new concrete hardstanding, new metal fencing and repositioning of existing access gates at garages south-west of 5 The Wynd:  <i>The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> that it supports the application.</i>  <b>21/01516/FUL</b> – Change of use for three parking bays to provision of temporary seating and tables outside Tom and Nellies, 7-9 North End:  <i>The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> that it supports the application, with the notes that all street furniture other than planters should be removed overnight.</i>  The Council NOTED the following decision from Hambleton DC:  <b>21/01255/FUL</b> – reversion to original garage at 7 Calvert Way was <i>granted</i>.</p>
058.2122	<p><b>Inclusive play equipment</b> – following the meeting of the Play Area Working Group, to note the award of £10,000 from the National Lottery towards inclusive play equipment for the enclosed play area at Bedale Park, and consider approving match funding of up to £18,000 from reserves to support the installation of a wheelchair swing, a basket swing to replace the existing cantilevered one, and associated pathways and surfacing.  The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to approve this expenditure.</p> <p>Then, to consider expenditure of up to a further £11,250 for the installation of an accessible roundabout alongside the play equipment and fitness trail in the main body of Bedale Park:  The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to approve this expenditure.</p>

<p><b>059.2122</b></p>	<p><b>Defibrillator</b> – to consider a request from Bedale Bowls Club for a Section 137 donation of £630 towards a defibrillator to be installed in the clubhouse: The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> not to make this donation, on the grounds that the clubhouse was not a public space, and that such an award may be seen as setting a precedent for other membership organisations.</p>
<p><b>060.2122</b></p>	<p><b>Queen’s Platinum Jubilee beacon</b> – to consider setting up a Working Group to organise an event on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2022 as part of the National “Big Jubilee Lunch”, and if so to consider a budget for this event: The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to form a Working Group consisting of Cllrs Coates, Howe and Mollard to plan a potential event, and to bring a budget request back to October’s Town Council meeting. Noting that the 2012 Diamond Jubilee event had been open to, and supported by, the five parishes adjoining the Bedale Town Council area, the Council <b>AGREED</b> to inform them of the potential event and ask for a small donation towards costs. <b>ACTION:</b> <i>Clerk to contact surrounding parishes</i></p>
<p><b>061.2122</b></p>	<p><b>Outdoor dining at Institution Cafe</b> – to consider writing to NYCC highways and Hambleton DC to support the application to make the café’s outdoor seating on two cobbled parking spaces “semi-permanent”: The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> that further information that needed about how long the application was expected to last for and whether the seating as expected to be year-round, and in the interests of efficiency delegated to the Clerk responsibility for forming an opinion on receipt of that information. <b>ACTION:</b> <i>Clerk to progress</i></p>
<p><b>062.2122</b></p>	<p><b>Annual Parish meeting</b> – to agree a date for the Annual Parish meeting and presentation of Bedale Community Awards: The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to hold the Annual Parish Meeting on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm, to be followed by that month’s Town Council meeting.</p>
<p><b>063.2122</b> Item 7 Item 22</p>	<p><b>Correspondence</b> (background papers provided – see Appendix A) <b>Motorcycle parking on Market Place</b> – <b>ACTION:</b> <i>Clerk to contact NY Highways</i> <b>Fly-tipping behind Market Place</b> – The Clerk reported that the building owner had been contacted and was willing to pay for the removal of the waste.</p>

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 8:55pm.

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

**DATE:** .....

**Appendix A**

**CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED 9<sup>th</sup> July – 5<sup>th</sup> August 2021**  
(which is not addressed in the substance of the agenda)

1. From: **MoP** Date **12/07/2021**  
Highways maintenance issue – resolved satisfactorily
2. From: **NYCC Rural Commission** Date **12/07/2021**  
Executive summary of “Rural North Yorkshire – the way forward” report
3. From: **MoP** Date **15/07/2021**  
Complimentary email on quality of grass cutting
4. From: **MoP** Date **15/07/2021**  
Query about status of BT exchange on Sussex Street
5. From: **Northern Gas Networks** Date **16/07/2021**  
Information about major gas infrastructure works taking place August-November
6. From: **MoP** Date **16/07/2021**  
Comments about traffic and pollution at Market Place / Bridge St crossroads
7. From: **MoP** Date **21/07/2021**  
Request for bollarded areas by market Place traffic lights to become designated areas for motorcycle parking
8. From: **MoP** Date **23/07/2021**  
Query about grounds maintenance at Southfields
9. From: **NYCC Highways** Date **19/07/2021**  
Text
10. From: **MoP x2** Date **20/07/2021**  
Report of pedestrian gate at golf club end of park left inappropriately locked
11. From: **NYCC** Date **22/07/2021**  
Notification that the Secretary of State has chosen NYCC’s proposals for future delivery of North Yorkshire local government – i.e. a unitary authority not including the City of York
12. From: **Yorkshire Society** Date **22/07/2021**  
Newsletter and information
13. From: **St Gregory’s Churchwarden** Date **27/07/2021**  
Annual service report for church clock [*n.b. BTC funds the clock service*]
14. From: **North Yorkshire Fire Community Safety Team** Date **27/07/2021**  
Information on home, fire, road and water safety initiatives within Hambleton
15. From: **NYCC Highways** Date **27/07/2021**  
Information that the South End disc zone would be implemented on 1-2 August
16. From: **Darlington and Stockton Times** Date **27/07/2021**

Request for feedback on YorBus introduction

17. From: **MoP** Date **30/07/2021**  
Request for information about a possible second-hand bookshop opening in Bedale
18. From: **Bedale and Villages Community Forum** Date **31/07/2021**  
Agenda for meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> August
19. From: **Yorkshire Society** Date **01/08/2021**  
Yorkshire Day greetings and good wishes
20. From: **Brand Bedale** Date **02/08/2021**  
Update and information about a meeting on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September (6pm at Bedale Golf Club) to decide the future of the organisation, which is currently on hiatus
21. From: **MoP x4** Date **02/08/2021**  
Concerns about the South End disc zone including the placement of street furniture and the extent of the zone. *[Clerk's note; there was some confusion due to the simultaneous renewal of road markings beyond the zone]*
22. **MoP** Date **03/08/2021**  
Report of fly-tipping including a bedstead behind the former Spar. *[Referred to site owner and Hambleton DC waste team to liaise.]*
23. From: **MoP x many** Date **various**  
Car boot sale enquiries
24. From: **MoP x several** Date **various**  
Enquiries about Yorkshire Day Market stalls