

DATE: Monday 13th December 2021
TIME: 7.12pm
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: 1 member of the public (MoP)

105.2122	Declarations of interest in agenda items and requests for dispensation: Cllrs Hallett, Ingram, Mollard, and Young declared non-pecuniary interests in agenda item 111, 21/02830/CAT
106.2122	Apologies and consideration of reasons for absence: No apologies were received.
107.2122	Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 22 nd November 2021: The Council RESOLVED to approve the minutes as a true record of the meeting, and they were signed as such by the Chair.
108.2122 108.1 108.2	Updates from minutes: (not covered elsewhere on the agenda) Queen’s Green Canopy – The Council NOTED further to item 97.1.2122 that a semi-mature oak tree has been requested from Hambleton DC. A plan of the site has been requested by the HDC officer responsible. <i>ACTION: Cllr Barningham to forward officer’s contact details to the Clerk</i> Bedale Hall toilets – The Council heard that Bedale Hall CIO was intending to creating a new access from the Hall to the water tank feeding the Bedale Park toilets, allowing access without disturbance to the staff or activities of the nursery. It was noted that no timescale has been approved for this work, and that if it were not completed by March then expenditure would be incurred to arrange access via the nursery and/or hiring portaloos for car boot sales.
109.2122 109.1	Reports of recent activity: Reports from external body meetings attended by Town Councillors: Cllrs Barningham, Hallett and Noone had attended the AGM of Bedale Hall CIO, at which it was reported that a grant from Hambleton DC had compensated for the loss of income from tenants over the Covid lockdown, and that the insurance claim for the damaged roof and carpet was ongoing. Cllrs Hallett, Mollard and Young had attended a Joint Burial Authority meeting which had received presentation on behalf of Bedale Litter Busters, who wish to; create a new memorial garden adjacent to Bedale Beck at the bottom of the St Gregory’s churchyard.

109.2	<p>Reports from District/ County Councillors: Hambleton District Cllr Mike Barningham reported that Bedale Leisure Centre was to re-open in early January following its refurbishment, with solar panels to be installed later. He added that green bin licences are now available to purchase at an unchanged cost of £40, and that Hambleton’s council tax for 2022-23 was to increase by £5 per household for Band D residences.</p>
110.2122	<p>Financial statement and approvals for payment – to receive a financial statement and approve payments. The Council noted the financial statement as circulated and RESOLVED to approve the following payments: Staff salaries; CJ Tennant Engineering (repairs to Bridge St toilet doors) £72.00; Artisan Locksmiths (repair to Market Place bollard) £90; Farm & Land Services (grasscutting) £792.00; The Yorkshire Society (annual membership) £50.00; Asst Clerk (2x cards) £4.30; MB Audio Visual (Xmas Market stage cancellation fee) £600.00; Farm & Land Services (grounds maintenance) £2,472.00; Gordon Walker (Bonfire novelties) £2,492.35; Bedale Skip Hire (2x skips for Bonfire) £279.12; Ashlands Nurseries (30x small trees for Market Place shop fronts) £750.00; Cllr Mollard (roses for memorial garden, lights/chocs for Xmas lights) £262.72; Platinum Medical (medical cover for Xmas market) £288.00; SEP Ltd (Traffic management for Xmas market) £888.00; House & Home (sundries for Bridge St toilets) £24.10. Receipts were noted of: £854.00 (Market stall rentals); £9,031.48 (public contributions to Bonfire and Fireworks; £128.40 (Bridge St toilet admissions); £205.00 (Xmas Market stalls); £50.00 (business contributions to Xmas trees); £969.38 (Community Infrastructure Levy via Hambleton DC); and £18.46 (annual interest from Skipton Building Society). The Council’s cash book balance after these transactions was NOTED as being £164,595.61. Finally, the Council RESOLVED to formally endorse the approval between meetings by the Working Group and Councillors of payment of £1,700.00 to Incy Wincy’s Nursery for arranging access to the water tank during the 2020-21 Bedale Park toilet improvement works.</p>
111.2122	<p>Planning matters The Council considered 21/02830/CAT for works to trees subject to preservation orders at St Gregory’s Church, Bedale, and RESOLVED that it supports the application The Council NOTED the granting of application: 21/02358/FUL for replacement of an existing conservatory with a new single storey extension and internal re-arrangement at 70 Queen Anne’s Drive, and 21/02441/FUL for a rear single storey extension at 53 Stapleton Close.</p>
112.2122	<p>Joint Burial Committee – The Council considered the draft standing orders for the Joint Burial Committee between Aiskew and Leeming Bar Parish Council, Bedale Town Council, and Burrill with Cowling parish within Thornton Watlass, Burrill with Cowling, Thirn, Clifton-on-Yore and Rookwith Parish Council. This</p>

	<p>Committee will replace the Bedale, Aiskew and Leeming Bar and Burrill Joint Burial Authority and was approved by the Joint Burial Authority at its meeting of 24th November, with a view to the authority being wound up and its assets and responsibilities transferred to the new Committee on 1st April 2022. After a few points of clarification the Council RESOLVED to adopt the standing orders and the timetable as outlined.</p>
113.2122	<p>Potholes on unadopted road at Bedale Hall – The Council noted comments from Councillors, Bedale Hall representatives, residents, and visitors, regarding potholes and poor surfacing on the stretch of unadopted road between Wycar and Bedale Hall. It then considered taking on management of the commissioning of remedial work, the organisation of contributions towards the work from stakeholders including NY Police, NY Fire Service, businesses and Cascade Court residents, and the covering of any costs not recoverable from the contributors. The Council heard that, assuming a suggested NYCC Councillor Locality Grant was received, the cost to be reclaimed/paid by the Town Council would not exceed £3,000 and would likely be far less.</p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to co-ordinate the repair works as discussed, with a maximum financial commitment of £3,000, and NOTED that stakeholders should be asked to prepare for a far larger contribution in the medium term for a full resurfacing of the road.</p>
114.2122	<p>DalesBus – The Council considered a request from Friends of DalesBus for a Section 137 grant towards keeping the Sunday DalesBus 856 service between Northallerton and Hawes going for the year 2022-23, following the withdrawal of the current subsidy from LNER:</p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to make a grant of £1,050 towards keeping the Sunday DalesBus 856 service going for 2022-23, noting that this is expected to be a one-off payment rather than the start of a longer-term arrangement.</p>
115.2122	<p>Correspondence (background papers provided – see Appendix A)</p>

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 8:30pm.

SIGNED: _____ **(Chair)**

DATE:

Appendix A

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED 19th November – 9th December 2021
(Which is not addressed in the substance of the agenda)

1. From: **NYCC** Date **19/11/2021**
Notification of closure of Sussex St from 7.00-9.30pm on 25th January 2022 for Yorkshire Water carriageway reinstatement
2. From: **NYCC** Date **06/12/2021**
Copy of presentation re new unitary authority
3. From: **Yorkshire Society** Date **06/12/2021**
Newsletter and Christmas greetings
4. From: **Hambleton DC** Date **08/12/2021**
Budget consultation for 2022-23
5. From: **20s Plenty** Date **08/12/2021**
Information about the campaign and invitation to a Zoom update
6. From: **Hambleton DC** Date **09/12/2021**
Invitation to an online presentation about flood prevention from the Environment Agency
7. From: **MoP x many** Date **various**
Enquiries about Christmas Market, before and on the day