

DATE: Monday 14th February 2022
TIME: 7.02pm
LOCATION: Drawing Room, Bedale Hall
PRESENT: Cllrs Andrew Hallett, Mike Barningham, Kayleigh Catford, Amanda Coates, John Howe, David Ingram, Pam Macklewain-Hallett, Christine Mollard, John Noone
STAFF: Nick Reed (Clerk), Judith Cockburn (Assistant Clerk, minutes)
IN ATTENDANCE: Four members of the public [MoP]

127.2122	Declarations of interest in agenda items and requests for dispensation: There were none.
128.2122	Apologies and consideration of reasons for absence: Apologies were received and accepted for Cllr Young.
129.2122	Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 10 th January 2022: The Council RESOLVED to approve the minutes as a true record of the meeting, and they were signed as such by the Chair.
130.2122	Updates from minutes: (not covered elsewhere on the agenda)
130.1	Bedale Hall toilets – Cllr Barningham reported that the Hall had looked at creating alternative access, but a chimney breast was in the way making this too expensive. Another option would be investigated, and he added that North Yorkshire County Council as freeholder had no objection to the work in principle. The Council noted that access via the pre-school room would be needed to get the toilets working appropriately in time for the car boot sales. <i>ACTION: Clerk to contact pre-school again to ask for access</i>
130.2	Road from Wycar to Bedale Hall – The Clerk reported that NYCC Highways would now be carrying out the repairs themselves, with the locality grant being paid to them as an internal transfer. Any further works required, and a potential full resurfacing in 2-3 years' time, would be managed by Bedale Town Council.
130.3	2021 Christmas Festival – The Council RESOLVED to confirm the decision made by consensus between meetings to contribute £1,800 towards the cost of the marquee for the 2021 festival held at Bedale Hall.
130.4	Car Boot Sales – The Council NOTED that the Bonfire Working Group has waived its right to a 2022 car boot sale, and that the sale on June 4 th will now be run by Burneston School.
131.2122	Reports of recent activity:
131.1	Reports from external body meetings attended by Town Councillors: Cllrs Barningham, Coates, Hallett and Noone had attended the Bedale Hall CIO trustees meeting, at which was reported: that the tenancy of the Hall was full;

<p>131.2</p>	<p>that the Hall would not be giving a donation to Bedale Museum this year as they had been successful in fundraising from other sources; and that the installation of electric vehicle charging points in the car park was being considered.</p> <p>Cllr Noone reported that the recent Bedale and Villages Community Forum meeting had appointed Cllr Catford as Secretary.</p> <p>Cllr Mollard had attended Yorkshire Local Councils Association Joint Executive Board meetings, and has been appointed as North Yorkshire’s representative to the National Association of Local Councils.</p> <p>Reports from District/ County Councillors:</p> <p>Hambleton District Cllr John Noone reported that there was to be an open day at the new crematorium on Thursday 24th February between 11am and 3pm. The construction of the Everyman cinema in Northallerton has been restarted using a local building firm, and Bedale Leisure Centre has re-opened following its recent refurbishment. HDC Cllr Mike Barningham added that the green bin collection was starting in mid-February, with the annual fee remaining at £40.</p>
<p>132.2122</p>	<p>Financial statement and approvals for payment</p> <p>The Council noted the financial statement as circulated and RESOLVED to approve the following payments: staff salaries; TWC Facilities (toilet roll) £64.80; Farm & Land Services (grounds maintenance) £1,833.60; Bedale Hall CIO (office heating) £132.67; Cllr Hallett (Mayor’s expenses qtr3) £103.85; Bedale Riverside Club (Remembrance Day buffet) £50.00; and Clerk (ALCC membership) £50.00. Receipts were noted of: £264 (Market stall rentals); £20 (Bedale Park hire); £119.68 (Bridge St toilet admissions); £2,000 (BVCF grant for accessible play equipment); £1,500 (BVCF grant for Platinum Jubilee activities); £2,000 (HDC “Making a Difference” grant); £1,345.33 (transfer of funds from closure of Bonfire Working Group bank account); and £360 (car boot sale fees).</p> <p>The Council’s cash book balance after these transactions was NOTED as being £96,997.15.</p>
<p>133.2122</p>	<p>Planning matters</p> <p>The Council considered the following planning applications:</p> <p>Regarding 21/02705/FUL for change of use to mixed use site for siting of shepherd’s huts, and construction of site warden’s bungalow and toilet block with shower facilities at Bedale Camping & Caravanning Site, Burrill Road, the Council RESOLVED that it objected to this application on the grounds that there was insufficient information on the scale, usage, appearance or necessity of the proposed works. In particular the Council would want to know: why the construction of a second shower block would be necessary; what the eventual capacity and layout of the site after all the work covered in the application has been completed would be; details about the size, scale, design, materials, and maximum number of shepherds huts; evidence of consultation with NYCC Highways about the increased traffic flow to the site along residential and narrow country roads; and proposals for additional landscaping on the site boundaries, particularly the one adjacent to the housing to the east of the site.</p>

	<p>The Council further considers the construction of a permanent warden’s dwelling on the site to be significantly contrary to planning policies for the area. Regarding 21/03009/FUL and 21/03010/LBC for the conversion of first and second floor office space to three residential apartments at 23 Market Place (above Costa coffee/ former NatWest), the Council RESOLVED that it supports this application;</p> <p>And regarding 21/03058/FUL for the construction of 75 dwellings and associated infrastructure at OS field 3541 (Southlands), the Council RESOLVED to make no substantive decision but to raise points concerning the nature of the “discount for sale” scheme, the lack of previously discussed footpath access to the Bedale Meadows estate, and concerns about the play area being overlooked from the public path to the south-west of the site.</p> <p>The Council NOTED the following principal authority decisions: 21/02452/FUL for replacing fencing in rear garden boundary with taller fencing at 45 Stapleton Close has been granted; 21/02759/FUL for two one-bedroom holiday apartments, in a single self-contained block to the rear of 35 Market Place was refused; 21/02830/CAT for works to various trees in a conservation area at St Gregory’s Church was granted; and 21/02941/FUL for the construction of a new detached double garage and hardstanding at 6 Bowe Crescent was granted.</p>
<p>134.2122</p>	<p>The Queen’s Platinum Jubilee</p> <p>Cllr Coates on behalf of the Working Group gave an update on plans thus far. On Thursday 2nd June at 9.35pm a beacon would be lit on St Gregory’s Church tower, with a piper performing <i>Diu Regnare</i> and a bugler. Saturday 4th June would see a Civic Service held at St Gregory’s, and on Sunday 5th June there would be a Town Council-run family fun day in Bedale Park, including fairground rides (free of charge from 12-5pm), Punch and Judy show /magician /balloon modelling, and music from Bedale Brass Band and Bedale High School. First Aiders have been booked, and BTC keyrings with the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee logo are to be given to all local primary-age children as a memento of the occasion. Cllr Coates added that these plans are costed well within the agreed budget.</p>
<p>135.2122</p>	<p>Bedale Community Minibus</p> <p>The Council considered a request from Bedale Community Minibus for a Section 137 grant towards maintaining its services, and RESOLVED to make a grant of £1,050, on the understanding that as with the recent DalesBus grant this would be a one-off gesture while future funding was sourced. The Council added its gratitude for the work of the minibus service during the pandemic.</p>
<p>136.2122</p>	<p>Brookside Avenue steps</p> <p>The Council considered the condition of the steps between Brookside Avenue and the Beck, and whether it wishes to investigate improving them at its own cost, assuming suitable permissions would be granted by NYCC. The Council</p>

	<p>asked the Clerk to investigate the potential cost of this work, and whether NYCC would allow it to take place</p> <p>ACTION: Clerk to progress and return the item to a future agenda</p>
137.2122	<p>Pop-up pizza</p> <p>The Council considered a request for occasional pop-up visits to Bedale Park by a wood-fired pizza oven, between 4-8pm on the second Friday and Saturday on the month from May to September inclusive, noting that drinks would not be sold. After some discussion, the Council RESOLVED to allow this activity for this calendar year, subject to the same conditions of all Park hirers and regular review concerning the control of litter during and after these sessions.</p> <p><i>Clerk's note: due to the street trading licence options available there will now be four sessions in 2022, on the first Fridays of June-September inclusive.</i></p>
138.2122	<p>Annual meeting and May meeting</p> <p>Noting that the usual second Monday date would not be possible in May due to the timing of Parish and Town Council elections, the Council RESOLVED to hold the Annual Town Council meeting, followed by May's Ordinary meeting, on Monday 16th May. The Council further RESOLVED to recommend holding an Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 7th June.</p>
139.2122	<p>Grass cutting and grounds maintenance</p> <p>Noting the recommendation of the working group, the Council RESOLVED to appoint Morgan's Estate Management to undertake both of these contracts for a three-year period from 1st April 2022, subject to a performance review at the end of the first Autumn.</p>
140.2122 Item 13	<p>Correspondence (background papers provided – see Appendix A)</p> <p>Campaign re 20's plenty for North Yorkshire</p> <p>ACTION: This to be on March's agenda; Clerk to circulate options for potential 20mph zones ahead of the meeting</p>

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 8:40pm.

SIGNED: _____ (Chair)

DATE:

Appendix A

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED 7th January – 10th February 2022

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

1. From: **Brand Bedale** Date **10/01/2022**
Information including the future of Brand Bedale, HDC enterprise advisers, and services available via Campus @ Northallerton
2. From: **Thirsk Friends of the Earth** Date **14/01/2022**
Wanting to contact Bedale Litter Busters for a potential Hambleton-wide litter pick
3. From: **Brand Bedale** Date **15/01/2022**
Minutes of meeting, noting that the organisation will be working virtually for the near future
4. From: **MoP** Date **17/01/2022**
Complaint about car parking near Mowbray School [*referred to NYCC Highways*]
5. From: **MoP** Date **17/01/2022**
Query about potential small business units to hire
6. From: **Hambleton DC** Date **19/01/2022**
Information about workshops to help businesses become more cycle-friendly, from 1.30-3.30pm on 15th March on Zoom
7. From: **Bedale and Villages Community Forum** Date **20/01/2022**
Information that Clive Pointon has been elected Chair of the Forum, John Noone Vice-Chair, Mike Barningham Treasurer, and Kayleigh Catford Secretary.
8. From: From: **Leyburn Town Council** Date **28/01/2022**
Request for information about charges and licensing arrangements for businesses using street furniture for the consumption of refreshments
9. **Hambleton DC** Date **02/02/2022**
Information that the local Royal Air Force Association will be holding a street collection in Bedale on 17th September
10. From: **MoP** Date **04/02/2022**
Request for information about local parish magazines. [*Referred to St Gregory's churchwardens*]
11. From: **Burneston PC** Date **04/02/2022**
Request for information about police reports for council meetings
12. From: **NYCC** Date **04/02/2022**
Information about a closure of Fitzalan Road for gas works from 21-25 February (half term)
13. From: **20s Plenty for North Yorkshire** Date **08/02/2022**
Campaign update
14. From: **MoP x2** Date **08/02/2022**
Comments re planning application ahead of this evening's meeting

15. From: **MoP x several**
Enquiries about 2022 car boot sales

Date **various**