

DATE: Monday 16th May 2022
TIME: 7.30pm (immediately following the Annual Parish Council Meeting)
LOCATION: Drawing Room, Bedale Hall
PRESENT: Cllrs Amanda Coates (Chair), Andrew Hallett , Mike Barningham, David Ingram, Pam Macklewain-Hallett, John Howe, Christine Mollard, John Noone
STAFF: Nick Reed (Clerk, minutes)
IN ATTENDANCE: Two members of the public [MoP]

22.14	Declarations of interest in agenda items and requests for dispensation: There were none.
22.15	Apologies and consideration of reasons for absence: Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Catford
22.16	Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 11th April 2022: The Council RESOLVED to approve the minutes as a true record of the meeting, and they were signed as such by the Chair.
22.17 22.171 22.172 22.173 22.174	Updates from minutes: (not covered elsewhere on the agenda) Queen’s Platinum Jubilee weekend – Cllr Coates reported that a replacement bugler had been found for the Thursday evening ceremonial, and that the gifts for primary school children were in place. Bunting has now been ordered, posters printed, and everything is in place for an excellent weekend of celebration. Bedale Community Awards – the Council NOTED that Martyn Coombs, Adrian Grayson and Jonathan Poole have accepted their nominations for Community Awards to be given at the Annual Parish Meeting on 7 th June. Quarterly police reports – the Council NOTED NY Police’s response that it is not possible to break down “violence against the person” figures into sub-categories. South Zone disc parking extension – the Council NOTED further to item 89.2122 that the petition requesting a further disc zone extension had been held up at NYCC but has now been approved for processing ahead of public consultation.
22.18 22.181 22.182	Reports of recent activity: Reports from external body meetings attended by Town Councillors: Several Councillors had been involved in planning and execution of the Bedale Litter Busters “Community Day”, and it was noted that feedback from townspeople about the event itself and the improvement in the streetscape has been extremely positive. The Council THANKED Bedale Litter Busters for co-ordinating and delivering such a positive day’s activity. Cllr Mollard had attended a Yorkshire Local Councils Association meeting at which it was reiterated that parish and town councils are not permitted to give money to religious organisations. In that respect the Clerk noted that the Church clock is a town council asset and that therefore the servicing of it is acceptable expenditure. Reports from District/ County Councillors: Hambleton District Cllr Barningham reported that David Webster has been elected as North Yorkshire councillor for the Bedale ward and will represent Bedale on the new unitary authority.

<p>22.19</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; Aiskew and Leeming Bar, Bedale and Burrill Joint Burial Committee £2,950 (precept); Zurich Municipal £2,472.08 (annual insurance); Morgan’s £1,594.68 (grasscutting and grounds maintenance); Bedale Litter Busters £500 (Section 137 award per agendum 22.08); CJ Tennant £247.50+VAT (repair of Bridge St toilet doors); Martyn Goldsborough £170+VAT (hedge trimming); Ian Smithson CPFA £112.50 (internal audit 2021-22); Cllr Hallett £72.60 (Mayor’s expenses); TWC facilities £46+VAT (toilet tissue); Artisan Locksmiths £50 (Bridge St toilet doors); Paul Ellis £45 (cleaning bandstand); Asst Clerk £39.50 (expenses); Bedale Hall CIO £15 (meeting room hire). Also the following payments relating to the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee weekend: M Renshaw £1,162.50 (catering); Uncle Brian’s Entertainment £350 (children’s show etc); Abbie Kerr £225 (bagpiper); and Bedale Print Shop £166.25+VAT (lamppost logos).</p> <p>Receipts were noted in April of: £672 (Market stall rentals); £190 (Bedale Park hire fees); £120 (car boot sale fee); £500 (car boot sale sole caterer); and £1,000 (Aiskew and Leeming Bar PC, contribution towards Jubilee Sunday event).</p> <p>The Council’s cash book balance after these transactions was NOTED as being £91,975.15.</p>
<p>22.20</p>	<p>Planning matters</p> <p>The Council considered the following planning applications:</p> <p>Regarding 22/00985/FUL for new classrooms at Mowbray School: The Council RESOLVED that it objects to the application as currently constituted. This is on the grounds that (a) the plans as circulated show no alternative exit / fire escape than the main entrance to the proposed new block, and (b) that the expansion of pupil and staff numbers would exacerbate the already unsatisfactory situation on Masham Road at drop-off and pick-up time, and the already unsatisfactory level of parking on verges and residential estates by school staff. The Council wished to be clear that it is pleased with Mowbray’s recent successes and fully supports the principles of both expanded services, and of bespoke classrooms replacing science labs as class 'homes', and that opposing this particular application for the reasons stated above does not alter that.</p> <p>Regarding 22/00376/LBC, listed building consent for painting the external windows and door, and internal walls and ceilings, at 18 Market Place. The Council RESOLVED that it supports the application, and added that it was pleasant to see this building back in use after so long. The Council noted that painting and renovation of the external mortar would also be desirable.</p> <p>The Council NOTED the granting of applications 22/00118/LBC for replacement of a damaged chimney at 12 North End, 22/00645/CAT for work to a tree in a conservation area at 33 South End, and 22/00710 for work to a tree subject to a preservation order, and the refusal of 22/00459/FUL, a retrospective application for siting a timber storage shed at Dales Day Care Centre, 13a Wycar.</p> <p>Finally, the Council NOTED a permitted development notification for a temporary holiday site from 26th May to 4th June 2023 at Bedale Camping and Caravanning Site.</p>
<p>22.21</p>	<p>Bedale Youth Council</p> <p>The Council heard with approval that the North Yorkshire Youth Parliament was setting up a Bedale Youth Council, and RESOLVED to invite a youth councillor to report quarterly on the progress of both bodies. The Council further RESOLVED to make a Section 137 grant of up to £180 for room hire for BYC meetings, if necessary.</p>

<p>22.22</p>	<p>Bedale Beck The Council noted the condition of Bedale Beck, with issues including encroaching vegetation (iris/willow) and silt, and poor water quality, and AGREED approach the Environment Agency to advocate for a thorough overhaul of the Beck. <i>ACTION: Clerk to progress</i></p>
<p>22.23</p>	<p>Boules court The Council NOTED that the Bedale and District U3A is considering setting up a boules club, and that if this is successful they would consider fundraising for a boules court in Bedale Park. While noting that the process is at a very early stage, the Council RESOLVED that it would at least consider giving a small area of the Park over for a court.</p>
<p>22.24</p>	<p>NALC Smaller Councils Committee Then Council NOTED the formation of a Smaller Councils Committee by the National Association of Local Councils, dedicated to town and parish councils serving an electorate of under 6,000. It did not consider that it currently had any issues to refer to this committee.</p>
<p>22.25</p>	<p>Internal audit The Council NOTED the receipt of the 2021-22 internal audit report and testing, with one recommendation, that the Council review its risk management arrangements. The Council agreed that this should be done, noting that it was not possible to be done by existing staff within their contracted hours. <i>ACTION: Risk management to be on June's agenda</i></p>
<p>22.26 Item 5</p>	<p>Correspondence (background papers provided – see Appendix A) The Council NOTED that Bedale Community Library is accommodating the Citizens Advice meetings</p>

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 8:45pm.

SIGNED: _____ **(Chair)**

DATE:

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED 8th April – 12th May 2022
(which is not addressed in the substance of the agenda)

1. From: **MoP** Date **13/04/2022**
Thanking the Council for clarifying a property issue
2. From: **MoP** Date **13/04/2022**
Question about car parking on Market Place
3. From: **Smith of Derby Ltd** Date **19/04/2022**
Recording annual service of church clock
4. From: **MoP** Date **15/04/2022**
Comment about dog fouling at Bedale High School [*referred to NYCC*]
5. From: **Citizens Advice Mid-North Yorkshire** Date **19/04/2022**
Request for advice re a venue for meetings
6. From: **MoP** Date **19/04/2022**
Comment re parking on Masham Road
7. From: **MoP** Date **20/04/2022**
Comment re overflowing litter bin at former Sussex St health centre
8. From: **MoP** Date **28/04/2022**
Comment re parking on Masham Road
9. From: **NY Police** Date **29/04/2022**
Request for people to consider joining the NYP independent advisory group
10. From: **NY Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner's office** Date **29/04/2022**
Information about meeting with NY PFC Commissioner Zoe Metcalfe, to take place via Zoom at 6.30pm on Thurs 26th May
11. From: **MoP** Date **04/05/2022**
Question about car parking on Market Place
12. From: **MoP** Date **1/05/2022**
Comment re state of relief road roundabout and surrounds
13. From: **Bedale Art Group** Date **07/05/2022**
Invitation to the annual exhibition, 27-28 May from 9am-5pm at Bedale Hall
14. From: **MoP** Date **10/05/2022**
Comment re parking on Queen Anne's Drive
15. From: **MoP x several** Date **various**
Requests for information re car boot sales
16. From: **MoP x several** Date **various**
Requests for information re Queen's Platinum Jubilee events