

DATE: Monday 9th January 2023
TIME: 7.00pm
LOCATION: Drawing Room, Bedale Hall
PRESENT: Cllrs Amanda Coates (Chair), Kayleigh Catford, Andrew Hallett, John Howe, David Ingram, Christine Mollard, and John Noone
STAFF: Nick Reed (Clerk), Judith Cockburn (minutes)
IN ATTENDANCE: Four members of the public [MoP]

22.121	Declarations of interest in agenda items and requests for dispensation: There were none.
22.122	Apologies and consideration of reasons for absence: Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Mike Barningham and Pam Macklewain-Hallett.
22.123	Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 12 th December 2022: The Council RESOLVED to approve the minutes as a true record of the meeting, and they were signed as such by the Chair.
22.124 22.1241	Updates from minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda Christmas Events – The Council noted that the Christmas Lights working group is to meet with Bedale and Villages Community Forum representatives on 26 th January to consider the date/s and nature of the town’s 2023 Christmas celebrations. To inform the working group’s input to this meeting the Council further noted consultation feedback from independent Market Place businesses, where a plurality of proprietors were in favour of moving the Market and Lights switch-on to a Sunday rather than a Saturday, and all traders who mentioned the two separate events suggested they would like to see them amalgamated. The Council also heard from a MoP from a Market Place shop, and discussed issues including the preferred day, the relationship between the two events, and the nature and extent of the road closure, in order to inform the working group’s contribution to the meeting. <i>ACTION: Clerk to progress, with the date/s and nature of Christmas events to be confirmed hopefully at February’s Town Council meeting</i>
22.1242	Christmas Lunch – Cllr Coates reported that the event had been well attended, despite some lunches needing to be delivered to homes due to illness. All had received a two-course meal and a present from Santa, with the number of donations received meaning the grants are likely to be well underspent. The Council THANKED those who had donated, the individuals who gave up their time on the day, Bedale Methodist Church, and RAF Leeming, for their support.
22.125 22.1251	Reports of recent activity: Reports from meetings attended by Town Councillors: Cllr Mollard had attended a YLCA meeting which scheduled a play area inspection course at Bedale Hall on 24 th April and will be using the Council’s play equipment as its “guinea pig”. Cllr Coates had attended and spoken at a presentation for the Air Cadets, and Cllr Howe had represented the Council at Richmond’s carol concert.

22.1252	<p>Reports from District/ County Councillors: Hambleton District Cllr John Noone reported that there would be an extra green bin collection on 9th/ 16th January for all subscribers. NYCC Cllr David Webster added that work continued towards the new unitary council in April 2023, and that he had a small amount of money left in his discretionary grant fund.</p>
22.1253	<p>Report by NY Police: The Council considered the reports circulated prior to the meeting, with concerns raised over the continuing levels of anti-social behaviour in the town. A MoP voiced his concern over an incident on Christmas Day, concerning an individual in mental health distress and a disappointing reaction from the emergency services. The Council heard that similar concerns had been raised by other parishioners, noted its concern, and asked the Clerk to investigate further.</p> <p>ACTION: Clerk to pursue with NY Police Fire and Crime Commissioner and NY Chief Constable</p>
22.126	<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; Rentokil (calmic unit at Bridge St toilets) £496.21; CJ Tennant Engineering (repairs to Bridge St toilet door) £420.00; Platinum Medical (medical cover for Xmas market) £360.00; Northdale (winter planting) £314.50; NYCC (replenishment of grit bins) £270.00; Play Inspection Co Ltd (annual inspection of Bedale Park & Southfields) £234.00; Bedale Window Cleaning (bus shelter clean) £180.00; Yorkshire Society (annual membership) £150.00; TWC Group (soap service for Bridge St toilets) £129.00; Alverton Press Ltd (BTC Xmas cards) £78.00; JT Atkinson & Sons Ltd (sundries for Bridge St toilets) £41.83; K. Horowitz (toilet charge refund) £0.40p; Morgan’s (groundwork for flower meadow) £585.00; and Cllr Coates (supplies for community Xmas lunch) £241.81. The Council’s cash book balance after these transactions was NOTED as being £71,101.43.</p>
22.127	<p>Planning matters</p> <p>The Council considered the following planning applications:</p> <p>Regarding 22/02752/FUL for removal of conservatory and construction of single storey garden room/ home gym, with associated works at 10 Peirse Close: The Council RESOLVED to support this application.</p> <p>The Council also RESOLVED to support Hambleton DC’s decision to make a tree preservation order on the black pine at 33 South End.</p> <p>The Council NOTED the granting by Hambleton DC of 22/02390/FUL for infill of a garage door to include a new window at 64 Peirse Close, and 22/02394/FUL for conversion of garage, new garage, extension to rear of dwelling, replacement roof, replacement windows and new rendering and provision of solar panels/air source heat pump at 7 Grange Road.</p>
22.128	<p>Car Boot Sale draw 2023</p> <p>Cllrs Catford and Howe conducted the random draw of the CBS dates at the Council meeting and the results were noted by staff. The Assistant Clerk will notify all applicants of the results and post the results on the Council’s website.</p>
22.129 Item 3	<p>Correspondence (background papers provided – see Appendix A)</p> <p>The Clerk added that the new “no dogs” sign would be installed during the week</p>

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 8:04 pm.

SIGNED:

(Chair)

DATE:

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED 9th December 2022 – 5th January 2023
(Which is not addressed in the substance of the agenda)

1. From: **MoP** Date: **07/12/2022**
Asking permission to run a short film shoot for a TV show on Bedale Beck
2. From: **Hambleton DC** Date: **08/12/2022**
Season's Greetings from Cllr Mark Robson, Chair of the Council
3. From: **MoP** Date: **15/12/2022**
Request for replacement "no dogs" sign for Southfields play area
4. From: **North Yorkshire Council** Date: **18/12/2022**
Briefing document on transition to the new authority
5. From: **Northallerton Town Council** Date: **25/12/2022**
Season's Greetings from Cllr Phil Eames, Mayor
6. From: **MoP** Date: **31/12/2022**
Request for help in reporting / managing slippery footpath and overgrown bushes
7. From: **Yorkshire Society** Date: **04/01/2023**
New Year's greetings and information about forthcoming events
8. From: **MoP / businesses x 11** Date: **various**
Direct feedback on Christmas events (more feedback received via social media)