

DATE: Monday 10th July 2023
TIME: 7.00pm
LOCATION: Drawing Room, Bedale Hall
PRESENT: Cllrs Amanda Coates (Chair), Dawn Culver, Andrew Hallett, John Howe, David Ingram, Pam Macklewain-Hallett, Christine Mollard, John Noone
STAFF: Nick Reed (Clerk), Christine Brown (minutes)
IN ATTENDANCE: Two members of the public [MoP]

23.37	Declarations of interest in agenda items and requests for dispensation There were none.
23.38	Apologies and consideration of reasons for absence Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Mike Barningham.
23.39	Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 12 th June 2023 The Council RESOLVED to approve the minutes as a true record of the meeting, and they were signed as such by the Chair.
23.40	Vacancies The Council noted that there had been two queries to the clerk regarding potential co-option to the Council's vacant seat. Neither person has yet pursued the matter further. It was suggested that people potentially interested but not willing to commit straight away be invited to a Council meeting. <i>Action: all to continue to publicise the vacancy</i>
23.41	Updates from minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda. There were none.
23.42	Reports of recent activity
23.421	Reports from meetings attended by Town Councillors Cllrs Howe and Coates had attended a meeting regarding the church clock 150 th anniversary celebrations, and the Council heard that Bedale businesspeople and residents remained highly supportive of this project. The Council noted that the recent restoration work had been magnificent and made a significant impact in the town. Preparations for the anniversary celebrations are well underway, with a weekend of activities for the local community to enjoy over the August Bank Holiday.
23.422	Report from North Yorkshire Council NYC Cllr Webster reported the process for calling in planning applications was changing and that county councillors would have to do so within three weeks of the application being validated. He was concerned that this timescale could impact on county councillors' ability to act on requests for support from parish/town councils. Cllr Webster added that planning will continue to be organised using the current parliamentary constituency boundaries, rather than the revised ones currently under

	<p>consideration – i.e. Bedale-based applications would still come under the Richmond committee rather than the Thirsk and Malton one.</p>
23.43	<p>Financial matters: Financial statement and approvals for payment The Council noted the financial statement as circulated and RESOLVED to approve the following payments: staff salaries; W. Braithwaite and Sons (£648.33+VAT, summer planting on Market Place and at Market Cross); Bedale Hall CIO (£179.80, office heating); TWC Group (£94.90+VAT, toilet tissue and handtowels); Arborlutions (£95, trimming Market Place tree to allow CCTV line of sight); Cllr Coates (£86.70, Mayoral expenses); NorthPAT (£35, PAT testing); and House and Home (£1.94+VAT, padlock for park chains). Credit card payments were noted and approved to: Viking Direct (£224.67+VAT, stationery); Screwfix (£79.12+VAT, sundries); and Post Office Counters Ltd (£75, stamps). Receipts were noted of: £764 (Market stall fees); £1,300 (car boot sale fees); £33.79 (Barclays interest); £1,094.25 (Bedale and Villages Community Forum, contribution towards Coronation bunting); and £11.50 (Northern Gas Networks, wayleaves scheme). The cash book balance after these transactions was noted as being £73,444.69</p>
23.44	<p>Planning matters The Council considered the following planning applications: Regarding ZB23/00899/LBC and ZB23/00830/FUL, for a new dwelling within the grounds of 10 North End (no works to the existing listed building), the Council RESOLVED that it supports these applications; And regarding ZB23/01211/FUL for retention of a small decked area for outside dining at Institution Café, 42 Market Place, the Council RESOLVED that it supports this application. The Council NOTED the refusal by North Yorkshire Council of 23/00543/FUL, conversion of existing garage building to single dwelling with associated amenity at 4 Sussex Street; and the approval by NYC of: ZB23/00816/FUL approval for change of use from retail to a domestic extension of the neighbouring property at 14 South End; ZB23/00912/FUL for an extension at 69 Iddison Drive; and ZB23/00995/FUL approval for disabled adaptation to provide safe off road-parking at 2 South End Terrace.</p>
23.45	<p>D-Day 80 The Council noted the national commemoration of the 80th anniversary of D-Day on 6th June 2024 which and the associated events, including a proclamation and beacon lighting at 9.15pm. The Council agreed to participate in this event, and RESOLVED to approve a budget of up to £1,500 for music from “The Gershwin Gang” before and after the proclamation and beacon lighting.</p>
23.46	<p>Lighting Installations The Council noted that North Yorkshire Council has granted permission to run power to the deer sculpture by the relief road roundabout to allow for it to be lit, and to the centre of the roundabout to allow a Christmas tree with decorations to be installed. The estimated costs of these works are £3,547.10 and £2,238.40 respectively, and the Council RESOLVED to approve these expenditures, noting that floodlight for the deer and a tree with decorations / illuminations would need to be purchased as well in due course.</p>
23.47	<p>Motorcycle toy run at Christmas Market The Council considered an offer from Squires Café of Leeds to bring their annual “toy run”, of bikers dressed as Santas with donations for local worthy causes, to the Christmas Market</p>

	on Sunday 3rd December. The Council was delighted to hear that this event would bring approximately 200 motorcycles to the Market should the weather be clement, along with live music, and RESOLVED enthusiastically to incorporate the toy run into Christmas Market celebrations.
23.48	January 2024 meeting The Council RESOLVED to change January's meeting date from Monday 8 th to Monday 15 th , to allow an agenda to be produced in an appropriate timescale given the Council's, and Bedale Hall's, seasonal closure periods.
23.49	Correspondence (background papers provided)

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 7.45pm.

SIGNED:

(Chair)

DATE:

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED 15th May– 12th June 2023
(Which is not addressed in the substance of the agenda)

1. From: **MoP x4** Date: **various**
Comments about grass cutting in Bedale
2. From: **MoP** Date: **12/05/2023**
Comment about absence of cash machine in Bedale
3. From: **MoP** Date: **16/05/2023**
Request for information re Park facilities for a potential school trip
4. From: **MoP** Date: **17/05/2023**
Comment about being woken early by bunting removal
5. From: **Bedale Litter Busters** Date: **19/05/2023**
News that the Litter Busters have made the final four of the BBC Radio York Make a Difference Awards, with the winner announced on 15th September
6. From: **Scouts and Guides** Date: **25/05/2023**
Requesting loan of SumUp machines for Festival
7. From: **Bedale and Villages Community Forum** Date: **26/05/2023**
Minutes of May meeting
8. From: **MoP** Date: **31/05/2023**
Information about a water leak on South End [*now fixed*]
9. From: **MoP** (*one of those from item 1*) Date: **01/06/2023**
Thanking the Council for improved grass cutting
10. From: **Yorkshire Society** Date: **02/06/2023**
Newsletter and information about Yorkshire Day Civic Celebration
11. From: **MoP** Date: **02/06/2023**
Comments by various means about an incident at the car boot sale on 27th May
12. From: **MoP** Date: **02/06/2023**
Query about the condition of play equipment at Southfields
13. From: **MoP** Date: **03/06/2023**
Report of nettles at Bedale Park play area [*now dealt with*]
14. From: **NYC Richmond Area Constituency Committee** Date: **05/06/2023**
Agenda and papers for meeting on 12th June
15. From: **MoP** Date: **08/06/2023**
Positive comment about condition of the ladies' toilets in Bedale Parl
16. From: **MoP x many** Date: **various**
Enquiries re 2023 car boot sales