

DATE: Monday 14th August 2023
TIME: 7.00pm
LOCATION: Drawing Room, Bedale Hall
PRESENT: Cllrs Amanda Coates (Chair), Mike Barningham, Dawn Culver, Andrew Hallett, John Howe, Christine Mollard, Emma Wells (after item 23.53)
STAFF: Nick Reed (Clerk), Christine Brown (minutes)
IN ATTENDANCE: Three members of the public [MoP]

23.50	Declarations of interest in agenda items and requests for dispensation There were none.
23.51	Apologies and consideration of reasons for absence Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs David Ingram, Pam Macklewain-Hallett, and John Noone.
23.52	Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 10 th July 2023 The Council RESOLVED to approve the minutes as a true record of the meeting, and they were signed as such by the Chair.
23.53	Vacancies The Council RESOLVED to co-opt Dr Emma Wells to one of the vacant seats. Cllr Wells signed the acceptance of office and took her seat for the remainder of the meeting.
23.54 23.541	Updates from minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda. Deer sculpture – it was NOTED that electrical works to facilitate this are likely to take place in early September, and that an application to the Bedale and Villages Community Forum for a £2,000 contribution towards costs will be discussed at the Forum meeting on 21st September. <i>Action: Clerk to attend this meeting</i>
23.55 23.551	Reports of recent activity Reports from meetings attended by Town Councillors The Mayor reported that she had attended the Yorkshire Day celebration in Rotherham and that this had been a very impressive event. Cllrs Howe, Coates and Mollard reported that the plans for the church clock 150 th anniversary celebration weekend were progressing well, with businesses and the community remained very supportive. Cllr Hallett had attended a virtual meeting with the Assistant Chief Constable of North Yorkshire, at which this Council's concerns about detailed reporting of incidents were raised. The meeting was informed that GDPR was not a valid reason to refuse to share this information and that this policy would be reviewed.
23.552	Report from North Yorkshire Council NYC Cllr Webster had previously reported the process for calling in planning applications was changing and that county councillors would have to do so within three weeks of the

	<p>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. This remains a concern.</p> <p>In response to a question about NYC's reluctance to accept 20mph speed limits as readily as other principal authorities, Cllr Webster said that this was due to the cost of implementation which is estimated at around £12 million.</p>
23.56	<p>Financial matters: 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; Morgan's £2,690 (grass cutting and maintenance x 2 months); YLCA £50 (training).</p> <p>The Council NOTED the following recurring payments: North Yorkshire Council £56 (business rates for Market); British Gas £98.29 (electricity for Market); Opus Energy £27.20 (electricity – Bridge St toilets); LCC Communications £48.80 (telephone/broadband); Yorwaste £202.09 (car boot sale waste collection); Rentokil £262.50 (pest control at Bedale Park bin store); and HM Land Registry £6 (ownership queries).</p> <p>Receipts were noted of: £701 (Market stall rents); £1,060 (car boot sale fees); £100 (Bedale Park hire fees); £1,537.90 (Opus Energy refund of historic overpayment); £2,637.33 (HM Revenue and Customs, VAT126 repayment); and £33 (Northern Gas Network, compensation for work affecting Market stalls).</p> <p>The cash book balance after these transactions was noted as being £63,907.07</p>
23.57	<p>Planning matters</p> <p>The Council considered the following planning applications: Regarding ZB23/01459/FUL for a single storey rear extension at 30 South End, the Council RESOLVED that it supports this application; Regarding ZB23/01511/FUL for change of use to a holiday let at 11b Market Place, the Council RESOLVED that it supports this application; and regarding ZB23/01678/TPO, the Council RESOLVED that it supports this application.</p> <p>The Council NOTED the approval by North Yorkshire Council of 22/00303/FUL for 14 dwellings at Allotment Gardens, Masham Road.</p>
23.58	<p>2024 car boot sales</p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to run car boot sales on four bank holiday Mondays in addition to Saturdays from 16 March to 13 October, and further RESOLVED to approve an increase to the charge for running the event to £150, reflecting increased charges for waste collection and pest control.</p>
23.59	<p>CCTV in Bedale Park</p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to accept a recommendation from North Yorkshire Council CCTV monitoring staff to install a 4k 360 degree camera on lamppost 61 on South End to monitor the fitness trail and skate park in Bedale Park at a cost of £3,000. This is to replace the previously agreed installation of a freestanding camera in the Park, which project has proved far more expensive than the sum approved due to the trenchwork required. NYC Cllr Webster noted that the county council should be consulted regarding the reallocation of the members discretionary grant towards this project.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">ACTION: Clerk to progress</p>

23.60	<p>Cones</p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to approve the purchase of 20 traffic cones at a cost of £300, for use during self-administered road closures, car boot sales, etc.</p>
23.61	<p>Special Event Markets</p> <p>The Council noted the that the Yorkshire Day Market had taken place with a larger Tuesday market, although due to the weather and other factors the market had not been particularly busy with traders leaving early. The Council also heard that stall applications would be going out imminently for the Christmas Market on Sunday 3rd December.</p>
23.62	<p>Remembrance Day parade</p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to approve acting as administrator for the Remembrance Day Parade road closures on 12th November 2023 and in future years. The Council noted that this year North Yorkshire Council is not making any charge for these closures, and that Bedale Scouts and Guides personnel are obtaining the necessary training to staff them, but agreed as a fallback position to cover any costs necessary should either of these situations change in this or future years.</p>
23.63	<p>Parish charter</p> <p>The Council NOTED contents of the North Yorkshire Council parish charter published in July which was welcomed as a constructive and clear document.</p>
23.64	<p>Correspondence (background papers provided)</p>

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.00pm.

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