Bedale Town Council

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

DATE: 14th April 2025

TIME: 7.00pm

LOCATION: The Drawing Room, Bedale Hall, North End, Bedale DL8 1AA

To the members of the Council:

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Bedale Town Council for the purpose of transacting the following business:

Signed: Date: 8th April 2025

Nick Reed, Clerk to the Council

- **25.01** Declarations of interest in agenda Items and requests for dispensations
- **25.02** Apologies and consideration of reasons for absence
- **25.03 Minutes** of the Town Council meeting held on 10th March 2025
- 25.04 Updates from minutes (not covered elsewhere on the agenda)
 - **25.041 Christmas 2025** to note per item 24.130 that the working group has now met, with a road closure agreed for late afternoon only on the 29th November
 - **25.042** Heritage lighting / Christmas lights to note confirmation from North Yorkshire Council that the new street lights will be installed in 2025-26, and that they will be fitted with timers for Christmas lighting motifs at NYC expense, including on Bridge Street.
- 25.05 Reports of recent activity
 - 25.051 Reports of activity from external body meetings attended by Councillors
 - 25.052 Reports from North Yorkshire Council representative
 - 25.053 Report from North Yorkshire Police
- 25.06 Financial matters
 - 25.061 Financial statement and approvals for payment to receive a financial statement and approve payments including: staff salaries; WJPS Ltd (£909+VAT, web domain and email annual subscription); Yorkshire Local Councils Association (£857, annual membership); Morgan's (£850, grounds maintenance); Rialtas Business Solutions (£294+VAT, accounting software annual support and maintenance); and YLCA (£140, regional training day)
 - 25.062 Standing orders and direct debits to approve the following regular automatic payments for the year 2025-26: North Yorkshire Council (business rates for market); British Gas Lite (electricity supply to Market Place bollards and Bridge St toilets); Business Stream (water to Bridge St toilets); LCC Communications (office telephone and broadband); Rentokil Initial (pest control in Bedale Park); Yorwaste Ltd (car boot sale rubbish collection);

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Microsoft (Office 365 subscription); DropBox (subscription); and Information Commissioner's Office (GDPR registration)

- 25.07 Planning matters no new applications received at time of writing
 Also to note planning decisions made by principal authorities since March's meeting
- **25.08 Market traders** to consider the charges and conditions for market traders, noting that the Market Superintendent and Clerk do not suggest any changes in these
- **25.09** Financial Regulations / Standing Orders to consider adopting updated Financial Regulations and Standing Orders (drafts circulated) following the National Association of Local Councils model regulations, which have been updated to reflect The Procurement Act 2023 and the Procurement Regulations 2024, and for the Standing Orders to better reflect Code of Conduct requirements.
- **25.10 Volunteer Fair** to note this event taking place at Bedale Hall on 26th April
- **25.11 Annual Parish Meeting** to consider suitable candidate/s for Bedale Community Awards, to be presented at the Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 3rd June, and to consider any community organisations who may wish to make a presentation at the meeting
- **25.12 Correspondence** (background papers provided)

Members of the public may speak on any matter at the discretion of the Chair of the meeting