



**DATE:** 13<sup>th</sup> October 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: 7<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Nick Reed, Clerk to the Council

- 25.68**      **Declarations of interest in agenda Items** and requests for dispensations
- 25.69**      **Apologies** and consideration of reasons for absence
- 25.70**      **Minutes** of the Town Council Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2025
- 25.71**      **Updates from minutes (not covered elsewhere on the agenda)**
  - 25.711**    **Bedale Park play area** – to receive an update from the working group on options following the failure of the tube slide
- 25.72**      **Reports of recent activity**
  - 25.721**    **Reports of relevant activity from meetings attended by Councillors**
  - 25.722**    **Reports from North Yorkshire Council representative**
  - 25.723**    **Report from North Yorkshire Police**
- 25.73**      **Financial statement and approvals for payment** – to receive a financial statement and approve payments including: staff salaries and PAYE; Morgan's £3,595 (grass cutting, grounds maintenance, annual hedgework); PKF Littlejohn LLP (£840+VAT, External Audit fee 2024-25); WJPS Ltd (£529+VAT, annual IT support); Bedale Window Cleaning £525 (Market Place plant watering, bus shelter and bandstand cleaning); Bedale Hall CIO (£393.98, office heating); Alverton Press (£130+VAT, market rent books); and Society of Local Council Clerks (membership for Asst Clerk).
- 25.74**      **Planning matters** – to include ZB25/01787/ADV for three non-illuminated signs at the Bedale roundabout on the A684  
  
Also, to note planning decisions made by principal authorities since September's meeting
- 25.75**      **Bedale Hall** – noting that this Council, along with Aiskew and Leeming Bar Parish Council, remain technically leaseholders of Bedale Hall, despite a Hambleton District Council cabinet minute of June 2022 to transfer the lease to Bedale Hall

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CIO. Therefore to consider reaffirming that this Council does not want, or practically have, any leaseholding power over Bedale Hall, that the Council will sign any surrender of lease document necessary to recognise this situation, and that the Council will neither instruct lawyers nor pay any fee regarding this matter

- 25.76 Sussex Street / Market Place junction** – to consider a request from a parishioner to advocate for a zebra crossing on Sussex Street, at or near to the junction with Market Place / South End
- 25.77 Rand Grange Parish** – noting that the parish meeting of Rand Grange, adjacent to Bedale to the north, has not met for many years, to consider making a response to the recommendation in the current North Yorkshire Council community governance review that the parish be merged with Bedale
- 25.78 Memorial bench** – to consider a request from the family of Freja Nicholson that they fund the installation and initial upkeep costs of a bench on Bedale Park in her memory, with the Council owning and maintaining the bench subsequently
- 25.79 Historic stones** – noting that the stones from the national school / tollbooth have now been collected, to consider a budget of up to £5,000 for their installation as a dry stone wall / artwork behind the deer sculpture at Bedale roundabout
- 25.80 Budget setting** – to agree a date and time, perhaps Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 7pm, to consider a draft budget for 2026-27 for approval at November's Council meeting
- 25.81 Correspondence** (background papers provided)

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