

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2016

#### Present

Councillor C Mollard (Mayor) Councillor M Young Councillor J Noone Councillor C Pointon Councillor P Capon Councillor A Wilkinson Councillor Barningham Councillor A Hallett Councillor R Gatrill C Hart (Town Clerk) JA Cockburn (Assistant to the Town Clerk)

## 112.2016 To receive and note apologies for absence

Councillor Coates sent her apologies

- 113.2016 To receive 'Declarations of Interest' in items on the agenda Councillor Pointon declared an interest on the footpath works between schools. Councillors Barningham and Capon declared an interest in the Bedale Hall Lease.
- **114.2016** To approve the **minutes** of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2016 and the Ordinary meeting held on the 13<sup>th</sup> June 2016.

The minutes were **approved** and signed to be correct. Councillor Pointon requested that in future meetings that a member of the public might identify themselves if they are speaking on behalf of an organisation.

#### 115.2016 Police Matters

a) Report was handed out as a Police representative could not attend.

The crime for Bedale Town had decreased from 57 to 43 compared to the same period last year. There had been a reduction in burglaries, theft, Arson and Damage and Vehicle offences but Shoplifting and Violence had shown an increase the greatest of these being in shoplifting.

#### **116.2016** Flowers around the Market Cross – to consider the siting of

BEDALE TOWN COUNCIL Mr Charlie Hart - Town Clerk Room 13 Bedale Hall North End Bedale North Yorkshire DL8 1AA t: 01677 427949 e: townclerk@bedale-tc.gov.uk w: www.bedaleonline.co.uk/bedaletowncouncil.html planters around the Market Cross at a cost of £1050 and the ongoing watering of the planters at a cost of approximately £150 Ms Rose spoke on behalf of the Bedale and Villages Community Forum and confirmed that a grant from the forum would cover the cost of the planters and also the watering. The Clerk confirmed that Paul Ellis had agreed to the watering of the flowers.

Council **resolved** to **agree** to the payment for the planters and the cost of watering

#### 117.2016 Market Superintendent

**Pay** – to consider applying the recently awarded NJC pay rise **Uniform** – to consider further uniform options

Council **resolved** to **agree** a pay rise in line with NJC recommendations.

Council **resolved** to **agree** the cost of a uniform i.e. Polo shirt, jacket and high visibility vest with Bedale Town Council logo at around £80.

# **Bedale Hall Lease** – to consider seeking legal advice concerning the reassignment of the lease of Bedale Hall to Bedale Hall CIO at a cost of around £750.

The Clerk had been advised by Hambleton District Council that Bedale Town Council should seek independent legal advice. The Council **agreed** to take legal advice to clarify the implications to the Council of allowing the Hall Lease be reassigned to Bedale Hall CIO.

## 119.2016 Updates

- a) Website the website progress had been impacted by summer holidays, a concerted effort would be made to move things forward.
- b) **Pensions –** no progress to report at the moment.
- c) **Monthly Food Market –** Councillor Mollard reported that following a meeting the Market Manager's did not agree with paying £5 per stall and suggested £3 per stall.

Council **resolved** that a minimum of  $\pounds$ 4 per stall was required with a review in 6 months. The Clerk was instructed to obtain the best price and set this in force.

 d) Footpath Works – The Clerk confirmed that he had received three quotes for the work on Calvert Way – Masham Road. The work on Sussex Close to Sussex Street was still outstanding. The footpath between the schools was still being discussed by all interested parties.

The Council asked the Clerk to contact the Schools to obtain an update regarding the funding for the works.

120.2016 Reports of previous month's meetings etc. - to hear from Town/District/County Councillors on any meetings attended or other information of interest to the Town Council **Councillor Mollard** attended the Armed Forces Day, Flying the Flag Ceremony at Hambleton District Council, a Charity evening with the High Sheriff of North Yorkshire at Thirsk, the opening of the Science of Skeletons Exhibition at Bedale Museum, the opening of the Herriot Hospice charity shop and a Community First Responders dinner at York where David Emerson (a Bedale Responder) received a Commendation award.

Council **agreed** that the Clerk should send a letter of congratulations to David Emerson from the Council.

Councillor Pointon attended a Bonfire meeting.

**Councillor Noone** attended a Bonfire meeting, Armed Forces Day, Flying the Flag Ceremony at Hambleton District Council and Bedale Hall Management meeting.

Council **agreed** that the Clerk made an application to Highways for a road closure 6-8pm for the Bonfire.

**Councillor Young** attended Bedale Hall Management meeting. **Councillor Capon** attended Bedale Hall Management meeting. **Councillor Barningham** attended the Bedale Hall Management meeting.

#### 121.2016 Correspondence (background papers provided)

- 2) Concerns over quality of pothole repairs in Bedale the Clerk said he had had confirmation that the mini-roundabout at Aiskew would be repaired once the relief road was opened. Council asked the Clerk to send a further letter stating that the pothole repairs on Firby Road at Queen Anne's junction were not acceptable.
- 4) Mowing of grass at bottom of Sussex Close both Broadacres Housing and Hambleton DC had confirmed that the land was not owned by them, therefore the Clerk had added this to the grass cutting contract.

The Clerk would contact North Yorkshire Council to seek advice regarding maintenance of the trees and also send a letter of reply to Mrs JK Elliott

#### Additional Correspondence

Item 1) A letter from Richard Howard thanking the Council for his Golfing weekend away.

122.2016Planning (background papers provided)

# Hambleton District Council

#### 16/01411/CAT

Proposed works to 17no trees

The Rectory, North End, Bedale

The Diocese of West Yorkshire

Council **resolved** to agree to the application.

#### 123.2016 Finance

#### a) **Receipts and Payments**

Council **resolved** to accept the bank reconciliation as a 30th June 2016. The cashbook balance standing at  $\pounds$ 82,083.45 and to accept receipts of  $\pounds$ 638.00 and payments of  $\pounds$ 4951.46 for the period 14th

June to 11<sup>th</sup> July 2016.

#### Closure

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 8:40pm