

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 8TH AUGUST 2016

Present

Councillor C Mollard (Mayor)
Councillor C Pointon (Deputy Mayor)
Councillor M Barningham
Councillor Amanda Coates
Councillor P Capon
Councillor R Gatrill
Councillor A Hallett
Councillor J Noone
Councillor M Young
C Hart (Town Clerk)

124.2016

To receive and note apologies for absence

Councillor Wilkinson sent her apologies

125.2016

To receive '**Declarations of Interest**' in items on the agenda
Councillors Barningham and Capon declared an interest in the item relating to Bedale Hall.

126.2016.

To approve the **minutes** of the meeting held on the 11th July 2016.
The minutes were **approved** and signed to be correct.

127.2016

Police Matters

- a) Report from Police representative
The crime figures for Bedale Town showed a drop of 10% (71 to 64) compared with the same period in 2015. The report also highlighted the proposed change to the provision of custody facilities. The Northallerton custody suite was due to be closed for a 6 months trial period. During this time the nearest custody facilities were at Harrogate, Darlington and Stockton. Acting Assistant Chief Constable Amanda Oliver was to head up this exercise. It was proposed that she be invited to speak with the Council after the trial period had ended on 26th March 2017. Councillors raised concerns over what they saw to be a money saving exercise which would dilute the effectiveness of the Police.

128.2016

Field of Remembrance - To hear from Mr M Lowe and Mr G Morris from the Royal British legion
Mr Lowe and Mr Morris were unable to attend the meeting.

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- a) To consider the plan for constructing a 'Field of Remembrance' on the verge outside St Gregory's church.
The Council resolved to **approve** the proposal as outlined by Councillors Gatrill and Young who had attended a meeting with the Royal British Legion.
- b) To consider making a 'one-off' contribution towards the maintenance costs of the proposed memorial.
The Council resolved to **approve** the expenditure of £200.

129.2016 Southfields Open Space

- a) Goal Posts – to consider repainting
The Council resolved to **approve** the expenditure of £110.
- b) Silt Traps – to consider whether or not to have these routinely emptied
The Clerk advised the Council that he had spoken with the drainage contractors who had emptied the silt traps in 2012. Their advice was that little silt was caught in the traps and that having them emptied would not reduce the risk of future flooding of the public open space. Council resolved to seek a second opinion and costings for regular emptying of the traps.

130.2016 Bedale Bonfire and Fireworks – To consider applying for a road closure of the current A684 next to Bedale Park for the duration of the display
It was agreed that the cost of closing the road was prohibitive and that no road closure was to be applied for.

131.2016 Bedale Hall Overflow Parking Area

- a) To consider the terms on which this area might be used as an overflow carpark by Bedale Hall CIO.
Councillor Barningham agreed on behalf of Bedale Hall CIO to write a draft outline agreement for the Hall's proposed use of part of Bedale Park as a parking area for Bedale Hall.
- b) To consider the proposed installation of a reinforced surface (Bodpave 40) and a row of wooden posts to the grassed area of Bedale Park between the Children's Centre and the path known as "Keepers Walk" by Bedale Hall CIO.
Councillor Barningham informed the meeting that the proposal had been withdrawn because it had proved to be too expensive.

132.2016 Updates

- a) **Monthly Food Market**
The Market Managers had agreed to the fee proposed by the Council on the understanding that this would not be increased for a period of 18 months.
- b) **Bedale Hall – Reassignment of Lease**
It was reported that the Council's solicitor had been instructed

and that the various documents had been sent to them.

c) **Pensions**

The employment group planned to meet later in August to discuss this matter further.

133.2016

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 C Mollard (Mayor) – Had attended the Yorkshire Local Councils Association (YLCA) AGM the Allotments opening event, Yorkshire Day and the Bedale and Villages Community Forum (B&VCF) meeting. Cllr Mollard thanked Ms Yvonne Rose for the wonderful cake that she had made for the Allotments Society.

Councillor C Pointon (Deputy Mayor) – Had attended the Primary School Leavers Service where he had given out the certificates, the Allotments opening event and the Burial Board meeting. He congratulated all those involved in making the new allotment site look 'stunning'.

Councillor M Barningham – Had attended the Allotment opening event.

Councillor R Gatrill – Had attended the Burial Board meeting and the meeting with representatives from the Royal British Legion.

Councillor A Hallett – Had attended the Burial Board meeting.

Councillor J Noone – Had attended the Allotment opening event and Yorkshire Day

Councillor M Young – had attended the Burial Board meeting and the meeting with representatives from the Royal British Legion

134.2016

Correspondence (background papers provided)

Item 2: Councillor Noone raised the concerns of a resident of Sussex Close who believed that one of the trees growing on the verge at the road's junction with Sussex Street required pruning because it was overhanging their paths and making them slippery in winter. The Clerk stated that a NYCC officer had been out to see the tree and had reported that it presented no hazard to either road or footpath users. The Council was keen to support the local resident and asked the Clerk to see if the tree might be pruned further so that it did not overhang the resident's paths.

135.2016

Planning (background papers provided)

Planning Authority: Hambleton District Council

Reference: **16/01537/TPO**

Proposal: Works to tree covered by Tree Preservation Order 1989/19

Location: Bedale Hall Park, North End, Bedale

APPROVED

Planning Authority: Hambleton District Council

Reference: **16/01530/LBC**

Proposal: Listed Building Consent for ground floor extension to

existing sales area, demolition of external storage building and construction of a detached building for storage purposes and the formation of a new concrete hardstanding.

Location: JT Atkinson & Son Ltd, Unit 1 The Courtyard, 8 Market Place, Bedale

APPROVED

Planning Authority: Hambleton District Council

Reference: **16/01723/FUL**

Proposal: The construction of a new car park (including provision for coach, caravan/motorhome, motorcycle and bicycle parking), including access, associated infrastructure and landscaping work

Location: Land to the South East of Bedale BALB Roundabout (A684 North End) Bedale

APPROVED

136.2016

Finance

Council **resolved** to accept the bank reconciliation as a 31st July 2016. The cashbook balance standing at £76,331.55 and to accept receipts of £1,031.00 and payments of £6,976.84 for the period 12th July to 8th August 2016.

137.2016

To resolve to exclude the press and public due to the confidential or prejudicial nature of the following agenda item

There were no members of the public present at this point.

138.2016

PRIVATE ITEM

Calvert Way to Masham Road Footpath – to consider the quotes received to undertake the upgrading of this footpath.

The Council resolved to **approve** the expenditure of £3,500 and to instruct Farm and Land Services to relay the footpath with a tarmac finish.

Closure

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 9:15pm