

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 12<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2016

# Present

Councillor C Mollard (Mayor) Councillor M Barningham Councillor R Gatrill Councillor A Hallett Councillor J Noone Councillor C Pointon Councillor A Wilkinson Councillor M Young

C Hart (Town Clerk) J Cockburn (Assistant to the Clerk)

# 191.2016 Apologies

Councillor A Coates sent her apologies.

192.2016 To receive **Declarations of Interest** in items on the agenda

Councillor Hallett expressed an interest in Agenda item 11 – Planning application for Amen Corner.

**193.2016** To approve the **minutes** of the meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> November 2016

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on **14<sup>TH</sup> November 2016** were **approved** and signed to be correct.

## 194.2016 Police Matters

As Sergeant Perrin was not available (on leave and other duties) there was no Police Update this month

#### **195.2016** Budget – to consider and approve the Council's budget and <u>Precept amount for 2017-18</u>

Bedale Town Council – Budget for 2017-18	
Total Budgeted Expenditure	£109,170
Precept for 2017-18	£57,548
Budgeted expenditure from Reserves	£27,750
Whilst the Town Council has made every effort to keep the	
administrative costs of the Council as low as possible it remains	



committed to maintaining the valuable services that residents and visitors alike have come to rely on. Additional expenditure has been budgeted for; updating the public toilets in Bridge Street Car Park, encouraging more entertainment to be provided in Bedale Park with greater use of the Band Stand, continuing to provide the recently improved summer planting in the Market Place and a commitment to support the new volunteer run Library Service that takes over from NYCC in April 2017.

196.2016Tourist Information Centre – to consider supporting the work of the<br/>TIC by making a donation of  $\pounds 150$  towards its running costs.

The Council **resolved** to **approve** the donation.

**197.2016** Christmas Lights – to approve the expenditure of £465 to purchase replacement LED colour changing bulbs for the Town's lights.

Council resolved to approve the expenditure

# 198.2016 Updates

## a) Market Place Planting

It was resolved that the proposed purchase of multi-tiered planters was to be put on hold as there could be no provision for them in the budget for 2017-18. The planters installed in the Market Place in the Summer would be re-planted in 2017.

## b) Disabled toilets - Bridge Street Car Park

It appeared that the Toilet door had been left open by a member of the public and subsequently blown by strong winds and broken. The door needed replacing and has been boarded up until works are completed.

Councillor Pointon asked that a sign be put on the damaged door informing the public that there was an alternative suitable disabled toilet in Bedale Park.

## c) Vacancy

Following the resignation of Councillor Philip Capon Hambleton DC had been informed of the vacancy. The statutory notice of vacancy had been advertised on the notice boards and on the Town Council website. The Council will be notified in January if an election needs to be held or if it can be filled by co-option. One person had already expressed an interest.



d) Footpath – between Sussex Street and Firby Road The concreting of the footpath was completed on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December. The following day the path was found to be badly vandalised with three names written in the concrete. The Police have been informed. The cost of repairs will be £300- £500.

 199.2016 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 a Pre-Budget meeting, a School presentation evening, Bedale Brass Band Christmas Concert, Bedale Festival/ Christmas lights switch on. She also attended an Arts Group meeting and a Change of Command Ceremony at RAF Leeming.

> **Councillor Pointon –** attended a Pre-Budget meeting, the Bedale Brass Band Christmas Concert and Christmas Lights switch on. **Councillor Noone –** attended a Pre-Budget meeting, Bedale Brass Band Christmas Concert and Christmas lights switch on.

**Councillor Young –** attended a Pre-Budget meeting and Burial Board Special meeting.

**Councillor Wilkinson –** attended the Pre-Budget meeting, the Christmas Lights switch on and a School Christingle service.

**Councillor Barningham** – attended the Pre-Budget meeting, Hambleton DC Parish Liaison meeting and Bedale Hall Committee meeting.

**Councillor Hallett** – attended the Pre-Budget meeting, Burial Board Special meeting and the School Christingle service.

**Councillor Gatrill** – attended the Pre-Budget meeting and the Special Burial Board meeting

200.2016 Correspondence (background papers provided)

**Item 4 – Bonfire/Fireworks:** Council felt that the new Event Plan for 2017 should have details of the responsible person to lock up Bedale Hall after the event.

201.2016 **Planning Applications** Planning Hambleton District Council Authority: Reference: 16/02377/FUL Proposal: Rear extension to form larger kitchen and first floor bedroom Location: 44 Peirse Close Bedale DL8 2UW Applicant: Mr & Mrs M McGuckin Council Approved with comment that this extension appeared to contravene the 45 degree rule regarding light/ vision to the adjoining property.



Additional : Planning	Hambleton District Council	
Authority:		
Reference:	16/02530/FUL	
Proposal:	First floor extension to existing garage	
Location:	Amen Corner 6A North End Bedale DL8 1AA	
Applicant:	Mr Yates	
	Approved	

#### 202.2016 Finance

a) Receipts and Payments

Council **resolved** to **accept** the bank reconciliation as at  $30^{th}$ November 2016 the cashbook balance standing at £95,611.12 and to accept receipts of £11,904.00 and payments of £22,715.02 for the period 15<sup>th</sup> November to 12<sup>th</sup> December.

#### Closure

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 20.25 pm