

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY  
14th JANUARY 2019**

**Present**

Councillor A Hallett (Mayor)  
Councillor M Young (Deputy Mayor)  
Councillor M Barningham  
Councillor A Coates  
Councillor M Evitt  
Councillor D Ingram  
Councillor C McGill  
Councillor C Mollard  
Councillor J Noone

A N Reed (Town Clerk)  
J A Cockburn (Assistant Clerk)

4 Members of the Public (MoP)

The Chair requested a minute's silence before the meeting commenced to remember the late Bryan Cockburn

**192.2018**

**Declarations of Interest in agenda items:**

A declaration of interest was received from Cllr Barningham for planning item 18/0016/FUL covered in minute 206.2018.

**193.2018**

**Apologies:**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Howe.

**194.2018**

**Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2018:**

The council **resolved** to **approve** the minutes and they were signed by the Chair.

**195.2018**

**2019 Car Boot Sales** – to conduct the draws matching organisations to dates for Saturday Car Boot Sales in 2019. Also, to consider the mechanism for inviting applications for the 2020 sales. The Car Boot Sales draw for 2019 was conducted by Cllrs Mollard and Young and recorded by the Assistant Clerk. The Calendar of organisations to be updated and circulated to all interested parties and posted on the website for public view.

**196.2018**

**Updates** from minutes (not covered elsewhere on the agenda):

**196.1 Empty Shops:**

The Clerk informed Council that he had no further update to report at present and would bring back to a future meeting when he had.

**196.2 Freedom of the Town for RAF Leeming:**

The Clerk informed Council that he had contacted RAF Leeming again but had no further update to report at present.

**196.3 Welcome to Yorkshire membership:**

Following our December meeting, Bedale Town Council had now become a member. The Clerk had log-in details for Bedale to view the information on their website. He would contact again regarding Brand Bedale and the Community Forum sharing membership and associated costs.

**197.2018**

**Reports of recent activity:**

**197.1 Reports from external body meetings attended by Town Councillors:**

Cllrs Evitt, Ingram, Noone, Barningham, Mollard and Hallett attended the first meeting to discuss the Tour de Yorkshire.

Cllrs Noone, Barningham, Young, Mollard and Hallett attended the funeral of Bryan Cockburn.

Cllrs Hallett, Noone and Barningham attended the TdY Steering Group meeting in January.

Cllr Young attended the Richmond Civic Carol Concert.

Cllrs Young and Mollard attended a meeting to discuss the Christmas lights 2019.

Cllr Young explained to Council that the plan for the Christmas lights was to; replace the timers which would allow the lights to be set by smartphone; to replace the Christmas tree lights (large tree); to purchase 6 new set pieces for the lamp posts. E & P Electrics will assist the Council to achieve their ambition.

The Clerk presented Council with an option to purchase 4 set pieces at sale price. The Council **resolved** to **approve** the expenditure to purchase 4 set pieces for the Christmas lights.

**197.2 Report from District/ County Councillors:**

District Cllr Barningham informed the Council that:

There would be a Public Space Protection Order for Leeming Bar Industrial Estate; and that the Community Forum had submitted a bid for MAD grant funding for the Tour de Yorkshire, Bedale.

Cllr Carl Les from North Yorkshire CC reported that the filter lanes on the bypass at the roundabout for the A1 had now been marked to assist drivers and that the mud on the road at Southend from Persimmon vehicles had been reported.

**197.3 Report from NY Police representative:**

PCSO Heather Lees handed out and presented the report. (see attached Appendix A). Cllr Barningham asked for clarification whether the figures for violence were up or down on the previous year. PCSO Lees would update Council at the next meeting.

PCSO Lees explained briefly about an initiative by North Yorkshire Police called Project Servator; implementing new policing tactics to deter and detect criminal and terrorist activity, as well as reassuring the general public. This is to be rolled out to Bedale in 2019.

**198.2018**

**Makaton Friendly Town** – to receive a presentation from Karen Pickles (Makaton Tutor and Deputy Head of Mowbray School) Ms Pickles explained that Makaton is a form of sign language providing a means of communication to individuals who cannot communicate efficiently by speaking. The Makaton charity have introduced a “Makaton Friendly Town” award which currently has only been awarded to one town. Ms Pickles ambition is that Bedale would become the next Makaton Friendly Town to hold this award. This would involve a minimum of 20 organisations undertaking 1 hour of training (taught by Ms Pickles at individual's convenience) i.e. Surgery, Leisure Centre, Police, shops. Each organisation would be required to pay £50 towards administration meaning the total cost would be around £1000. However, Mowbray are hoping to fund raise to cover their costs. Ms Pickles would like Bedale to achieve the award by July 2019 and would like Bedale Town Council's help in achieving this. Cllr Coates agreed to liaise with Ms Pickles and provide contact details of potential interested organisations. The Council also agreed to take part in the training and **resolved** to **approve** the expenditure of £50 for the administration fee.

**199.2018**

**Office Equipment** – to consider the purchase of a new computer for the Council office

The Council **resolved** to **approve** the purchase of a new computer for the office at a cost of up to £500.

**200.2018**

**Financial statement and approvals for payment:**

The Council **resolved** to **approve** the following payments: Salaries (Clerk / Assist Clerk / Market Superintendent/Caretaker); W Braithwaite & Sons (conifers & Pansies in Mkt Pl) £113.70; TWC Facilities Ltd (toilet tissue) £37.20; TWC Facilities Ltd (Annual soap service) £120; Gordon Walker (Novelties for Bonfire) £2035.30; North Yorkshire CC (refill of grit bin) £90; Bedale Hall (room hire) 2x £15; Thornton-Grace (repair of 14 benches) £2100; P Matthews (bolts for repair to play equip) £3.99; H M R C (NINO/TAX) £270.57; Festive Lights Ltd ( 4x set pieces for Xmas lights) £899.96.

**201.2018**

**2019-2020 Town Council meetings** – to consider dates for Council meetings; on current practice this would be the second Monday of each month commencing at 7pm with the Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

The Council **resolved** to **approve** to continue to hold Council meetings as at present and to hold the Annual Parish meeting on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

**202.2018**

**Bedale Community Award/ Annual Parish Meeting** – to consider

potential nominees which Councillors may have for the 2019 awards, to be presented at the Annual Parish meeting. Also, to consider potential invitees for presentation at the Annual Parish meeting

The Clerk informed the Council that he had posted information on the Council website and Facebook page for resident's feedback. Various suggestions were discussed but no conclusion reached.

**ACTION: Cllrs to research nominations. Item to be discussed at February's meeting.**

**203.2018**

**Tour de Yorkshire** – to receive an update on preparations and consider any policy or practical decisions necessary at this stage. The Clerk reported that at the Steering Group meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> January, 19 people were present including 3 Councillors. Ideas discussed included PR ideas to inform Bedale residents and attract visitors. The three schools in Bedale were very interested to be involved. Bedale High School had offered to be a "Hub" with parking, catering, activities etc on site. The schools had requested the "Day off" for pupils and were awaiting a decision.

**204.2018**

**Benches** – to consider options for installing benches at Bedale Park and/or Burrill Road and/or other sites within the parish.

The Council **resolved** to **approve** the purchase of 2 picnic tables to be situated by the play area in Bedale Park plus 1 Phoenix bench in Bedale Park, site to be decided.

The Council also **resolved** to **approve** the purchase of a circular bench around a tree in Bedale Park in memory of Guy Staniland using the remaining funds from his legacy donation.

Other suggestions were to look at the possibility of siting benches at Burrill Road and one at Southfields.

**205.2018**

**South End works** – to consider a submission from a MoP with concerns about the progress of the Lyngarth Farm/ South End development, asking the Town Council to consider making representations to Hambleton DC Planning/ North Yorkshire CC Highways.

The Clerk confirmed that the issue of mud on the road had been reported to Persimmon and that the issue of the speed limit and been addressed with the NYCC. The drainage issue had been solved to the satisfaction of Hambleton DC Planning department. It was noted that there had been complaints received regarding both noise and vibrations experienced by residents from the development site.

**ACTION: Clerk to write to the Environmental Health Office and Persimmon Homes passing on these issues.**

**206.2018**

**Planning Applications and Decisions:**

Applications:

**18/02612/FUL**

Construction of a solar array on agricultural land

Bridge Grange Farm, Bedale

*Council **resolved** that it had **no objection** to this application but would like clarification of the number of rows of solar panels*

**18/02694/FUL**

Planning application to partially demolish existing rear extension and rebuild a larger extension including entrance porch.

17 Emgate, Bedale

*Council **resolved** that it had **no objection** to this application*

**18/0016/FUL**

Construction of 2 no dwelling houses as amended by plans received by Hambleton DC on 16 July and 7 December 2018

Bancroft 9 Firby Road Bedale

*The Clerk confirmed that no comments had been received before the deadline on 17 December and that this had been reported to HDC*

**207.2018**

**Correspondence: (See full list in Appendix B)**

**Road names for new South End development:** The Clerk confirmed that the suggestion of naming a road in memory of the late Bryan Cockburn had been rejected for the reason that; "the names of individuals could not be used until they were beyond living memory".

The Chair closed the meeting at 8:58pm

**Appendix A**

**POLICE UPDATE FOR BEDALE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2019**

**Crime figures**

The figures below are for Bedale Town and Aiskew parish and show crimes reported since 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018 (12-month Period). Figures in brackets show the number of these reports within the last month – December 2018.

<b>Crimes-</b>	<b>(within last month)</b>
<u>Arson and Criminal Damage</u> : 37 reports	1 report
<u>Burglaries</u> : 11 reports	2 reports
<u>Drug Offences</u> : 7 reports	1 report
<u>Theft</u> : 48 reports	3 reports
<u>Vehicle offences</u> : 10 reports	1 report
<u>Violence against a person</u> (including harassment): 79 reports	8 reports
<u>Public order offences</u> : 30 reports	4 reports
<u>Miscellaneous crimes</u> : 3 reports	0 reports

**In December 2018, Police attended the following general incidents within the above parishes:**

Road traffic accidents and reports (primarily reports and incidents on A1)

- 8 - accident
- 9 - offences and other road related reports (speeding, manner of driving etc)
- 2 - highway disruption

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB), alarms and suspicious circumstance reports

- 6 - ASB. Includes litter, parking, abandoned vehicles, dog fouling, rowdy behaviour and street drinking, malicious communications, texts, emails, face book and neighbour disputes
- 13 – Alarms, abandoned calls and concern for safety reports
- 12 - Suspicious circumstance reports

**Crime Reports**

Crime for this reporting period (December 2018) for Bedale Town and Aiskew Parish:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Outcome</u>
Residential Burglary	Investigation ongoing
Damage to window of Bedale Hall	Enquires conducted, closed undetected.
Public order, verbal abuse offence	Dealt with via PND fine

Theft of display outside Bedale Hall	Offender identified and dealt with via Community Resolution disposal (CRD) payment for item.
Shop Theft of energy drink	Offender unidentified from CCTV.

**Police will continue to target drink and drug drivers throughout 2019 after an “encouraging” reduction this Christmas (taken from NYP Website)**

Police have vowed to continue taking drink and drug drivers off North Yorkshire’s roads during 2019 following a “very encouraging” Christmas enforcement campaign.

The number of drink and drug drivers arrested across the county fell significantly this December compared to last, with lower average breathalyser readings and far fewer heavily-intoxicated drivers. It suggests more motorists have taken heed of warnings, police said today after the county-wide campaign drew to a close, but officers acknowledge there is still a lot of work to do to reduce numbers further.

Between December 1 and January 1, 123 motorists were arrested in North Yorkshire on suspicion of drink or drug driving offences.

This is a drop of 10% on last year’s figures, when 137 arrests were made.

The average alcohol breathalyser reading dropped from 76mg/100ml last year to 64mg/100ml this year. The legal limit is 35mg.

And the number of suspects providing very high readings – more than three times over the legal drink drive limit – also fell significantly this year, from 13 in 2017 to just three in 2018. This reflects a reduction of 77%.

Speaking as the campaign concluded, Traffic Sergeant Andy Morton of North Yorkshire Police, said: “While there are many factors that influence the number of arrests we make, the across-the-board reduction in a number of key figures is very encouraging.

“The fact we have had to arrest 10% fewer motorists this year, combined with the lower average breath test results and significantly fewer drivers blowing very high readings, suggests people may have taken notice of the Christmas campaign messages of 95 Alive, North Yorkshire’s road safety partnership. It suggests they have also been deterred by our enforcement action and decided it’s not worth the risk of driving while under the influence.

“However, it’s still concerning that we’ve had to arrest 123 drivers in such a short space of time, and this still included some very high readings. There is absolutely no excuse for drink or drug driving and no reason for anyone to do it.

“While we focus our resources on a Christmas campaign due to the spike in offending at this time of year, we’ll continue to work with our 95 Alive road safety partners on education campaigns to change behaviours and carry out enforcement work throughout 2019 to get as many drink and drug drivers as possible banned from North Yorkshire’s roads.



“When we respond to crashes involving drunk or drugged-up drivers, we witness the indescribable carnage they cause to themselves and innocent people. If you saw what I saw, I guarantee you’d never even consider driving under the influence.”

This year, North Yorkshire’s campaign was not solely aimed at telling people not to drink or drug drive. It urged law-abiding people who’d never dream of driving under the influence to help police by keeping an eye on friends and family during nights out and ensure they didn’t get behind the wheel if they were unfit to drive. It also encouraged them to share information about drink or drug drivers with police. The campaign used first-hand accounts of officers who have attended serious drink or drug drive collisions, or passed death messages to the families of victims, under the strapline “If you saw what I saw, you’d never drink or drug drive”.

Dates have been set aside at magistrates courts across North Yorkshire to deal with those charged with drink and drug driving offences. So far, four of those arrested during the campaign have been sentenced, with large fines and driving bans ranging from 12 to 20 months. The remainder will appear in court during January and February.

**If you see someone about to drink drive notify police immediately by dialling 999. If you have information about someone who you believe regularly drives after consuming alcohol or drugs, please call North Yorkshire Police on 101 or alternatively Crimestoppers on 0800 555111 to pass this information on to officers.**

- The 95 Alive York and North Yorkshire Road Safety Partnership is a partnership of local authorities, emergency services and other agencies that have a common interest and duty to reduce the number of people who are killed and injured on the roads of York and North Yorkshire.

#### **The campaign in numbers:**

123 arrests on suspicion of drink or drug driving between December 1 and January 1

4 arrests per day, on average

86% of those arrested were men

64mg/100ml was the average breathalyser reading. The legal limit is 35mg/100ml.

63 months is the combined length of driving bans given to the four drivers who have been sentenced so far. The rest of the cases are due in court during January and February.

6 failed to provide a specimen – an offence that carries its own charge

141mg/100ml was the highest recorded breathalyser reading. The legal limit is 35mg/100ml.

#### **Regional breakdown of arrests, by district:**

35 in Scarborough

31 in York

20 in Harrogate

11 in Craven

9 in Ryedale

8 in Selby

6 in Hambleton

3 in Richmond



*We urge residents to be on lookout and report suspicious activity or vehicles at the time any suspect activity occurs using the national 101 non-emergency number. Always dial 999 in an emergency or if a crime is in progress.*

## Appendix B

### CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED 11<sup>th</sup> December – 11<sup>th</sup> January

1. From: **Brand Bedale** Date **07/12/18**  
Thanking councillors and council staff for their part in making the Christmas Festival “a great success ... overall the whole event went off brilliantly.”
2. From: **Information Commissioner’s Office** Date **12/12/18**  
Confirmation of registration renewal for the year to 15 December 2019
3. From: **NYCC Highways / Persimmon Homes** Date **12/12/18**  
Confirmation that South End will be closed between Brookside Avenue and Lyngarth Farm for up to 11 weeks from 21 January. This is for sewerage works, both for the new properties at Lyngarth Farm and upgrading existing facilities.
4. From: **Bedale High School** Date **14/12/18**  
Expression of interest in helping with community activities ahead of and on the day of the Tour de Yorkshire
5. From: **Welcome to Yorkshire** Date **18/12/18**  
Confirmation of membership, and request to look over Bedale’s current pages on the W2Y website and suggest additions / improvements.
6. From: **Bedale Youth Venue** Date **19/12/18**  
Chasing payment of the Section 106 grant approved in November [cheque now sent]
7. From: **MoP** Date **19/12/18**  
Asking councillors to suggest naming a road in the new South End development after the late Bryan Cockburn. *[Clerk’s note; this was circulated to councillors who approved of the suggestion, which has been submitted to Hambleton DC]*
8. From: **NHS Hambleton, Richmondshire & Whitby** Date **19/12/18**  
Issue 1 of “Friarage News” e-newsletter and instructions on how to subscribe.
9. From: **MoP** Date **21/12/18**  
Enquiry about positioning of defibrillators in Bedale
10. From: **Yorkshire Water** Date **02/01/19**  
Information about a £2.5 million investment at Bedale Wastewater Treatment Works to improve the quality of water returned to Bedale Beck after treatment.
11. From: **MoP** Date **03/01/19**  
Enquiry for planning advice about a potential new business premises
12. From: **Vale of Mowbray Ltd** Date **03/01/19**  
Expression of interest in being involved in Tour de Yorkshire planning / food provision
13. From: **Hambleton DC Addressing** Date **04/01/19**  
Proposal to name roads on the Lyngarth Farm / South End development after RAF aircraft from WW2 and beyond – Javelin Way / Tornado Close / Mosquito Garth
14. From: **Harris and Aspinall’s Circus** Date **07/01/19**  
Request for information about possibly bringing a non-animal circus to Bedale Park

15. From: **Post Office Ltd** Date **07/01/19**  
Notice of consultation about a proposed mobile post office service in Kirkby Fleetham.  
*[Forwarded to Kirkby Fleetham with Fencotes Parish Council]*
16. From: **MoP** Date **08/01/19**  
Expression of interest in being involved in Tour de Yorkshire planning / food provision
17. From: **Romanby Parish Council** Date **09/01/19**  
Information about a concert by Northallerton Woodwind and Alverton Brass Bands in the Golden Lion, Northallerton on Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> February in aid of Herriot Hospice and Bloodwise.