

## BEDALE TOWN COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD MONDAY 10<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2007

**PRESENT:** Councillor M Young (Mayor)  
Councillor W Reynolds (Deputy Mayor)  
Councillor M Batty (arrived 7:35)  
Councillor E Dunning (arrived 8:40)  
Councillor M Megson (left 10:00)  
Councillor A Metcalfe  
Councillor R Pocklington  
Councillor C Roberts  
R Howard (Town Clerk)

#### **219.2007 COUNCILLOR RAY CALVERT**

Councillors and all those attending the meeting stood for a minute silence in memory of Ray Calvert.

#### **220.2007 APOLOGIES:**

There were apologies from Councillor Dunning.

#### **221.2007 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA:**

Councillor E Dunning - 07/03291/FUL

#### **222.2007 TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Having been circulated, the Minutes of the Meeting held 12<sup>th</sup> November were **approved** as a correct record.

#### **223.2007 POLICE REPORT:**

##### a) Report from police representative

The Council received a report from the North Yorkshire Police a copy of which is attached to the minutes.

##### b) Cascade Court

Councillors noted a Cascade Court meeting would be held on the 13<sup>th</sup> December and were advised residents were happy with progress to date.

#### **224.2007 HAMBLETON STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP**

Councillors heard a presentation from Lisa Wilson of the Hambleton District Council who outlined the purpose, structure and direction of the Partnership. The question of support for mental health problems was raised and Lisa indicated such support was in place and offered to provide further information.

#### **225.2007 BUDGET 2008/9**

Following detailed examination of income and expenditure against current budgets, Council **approved** a budget for 2008/9 incorporating a precept of £42,750, an increase of

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4.5%. A sum of £1000 (2.4%) was identified for future Joint Burial Board land requirement.

#### **226.2007 CAR BOOT SALE**

Councillors were advised invitations had been sent out to all car boot sale organisers and that the food hygiene representative from the Hambleton District Council had agreed to attend the meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> January. Councillors **agreed** the meeting should be advertised on the web site and on posters in the Town and requested the Clerk to put this in hand.

#### **227.2007 BECKSIDE**

It was noted that the grant from Yorkshire Forward had been approved by their Committee but Coxon's could not be requested to commence the Beckside works pending the completion of the formal contract between Yorkshire Forward and the Hambleton District Council.

#### **228.2007 SIGNAGE**

It was confirmed the Bedale entrance and finger post signage was being funded partly from the Town Councils budget which had previously been identified for brown signage connected with the A1 upgrade scheme. Councillors noted the Hambleton District Council Delivery Manager was consulting with the North Yorkshire County Council Highways officers with reference to the location of entrance signs.

#### **229.2007 HAMBLETON DISTRICT COUNCIL**

##### **a) CCTV**

Councillors were advised the cameras would be operational on the 12<sup>th</sup> December. Current information suggested the wayleave difficulties associated with the HSBC bank had been overcome therefore all three cameras would be installed.

##### **b) Litter bins**

It was noted the Hambleton District Council would be replacing certain bins in the Market Place with bins incorporating a cigarette receptacle. Two of the replaced bins would be relocated in the Southfield and Bedale Park play areas. The Clerk was asked to request an additional bin outside the Chinese takeaway.

##### **c) No dog fouling signs**

Following a complaint from a local resident, the Hambleton District Council had been requested to install signage on the recreational area between Burrill Road and the Burrill Road estate.

##### **d) Street naming and numbering**

Councillors **agreed** the new development street name in South End should be Hawthorn Lane.

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#### **230.2007 TREE MAINTENANCE**

Councillors **approved** the proposed work and quotation for the felling of a sycamore tree at the end of Berresford Close, the maintenance of an oak tree (Peirse Close - subject to planning approval) and the cutting and tidying of a boundary hedge (Southfield recreational area).

#### **231.2007 GRASS CUTTING**

Councillors examined the plans and proposed letter to be used in the grass cutting tendering process. The use of the correspondence and plans was **agreed** and it was noted that tenders would be sought from three contractors including the current contractor.

#### **232.2007 BEDALE PARK**

##### **a. Youth shelter**

Councillors noted the application for a grant of £7600 had been submitted to the Lottery Commission and a response was expected within 8 weeks.

##### **b. Golf club boundary maintenance**

Reference was made to the Councils earlier approval when it was suggested the work might be phased over the current and next financial year. Councillors noted such a phased approach would incur additional costs and it was therefore acknowledged that the whole maintenance process could be completed in the current financial year. The Clerk was requested to write to the Bedale Golf Club asking if they would be prepared to contribute to the work.

#### **233.2007 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**

Council **agreed** to the establishment of a working group to deal with future organisational matters related to all aspects of Market Place Christmas decoration provision and 'switch on'. Representatives on the working group will be Councillors Young, Batty, Dunning and Metcalfe.

#### **234.2007 FLORAL DECORATION**

Councillor Pocklington acknowledged that he would register the Councils disappointment at the Chamber of Trades decision not to fund hanging basket displays in the Market Place.

#### **235.2007 REPORTS OF PREVIOUS MONTHS MEETINGS**

Councillor Reynolds reported on the Northallerton District Voluntary Service Association Annual General Meeting a copy of which is included with the minutes.

At a meeting of the Joint Burial Board a presentation had been given by a local stonemason dealing with the issue of the proper and safe installation of head stones. The precept had also been set at the meeting.

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Councillor Batty referred to the North Yorkshire County Council Hambleton Area Committee meeting dealing with the traffic light issue at the White Bear junction. It was noted an earlier Area Committee decision to install temporary traffic lights had been rescinded and further consultation with Parish/Town Councils was to take place.

#### **236.2007 CORRESPONDENCE**

Item 1 The Clerk was asked to write to the Secretary of State, Department for Transport, urging a decision on the Dishforth to Barton A1 improvement scheme.

Item 12 Contributions towards the Christmas lights had been received and the Clerk was asked to write letters of thanks to all concerned.

Item 22 It was noted the Town Councils bus shelter cleaning contractor had met the County Councils contractor and had identified an appropriate period in the month which would not conflict with the County Council arrangements.

Additional correspondence item 3 It was noted that Councillor Drury had resigned due to ill health. The Hambleton District Council would therefore be advertising two Town Council vacancies in the near future.

Additional correspondence item 5

The Clerk indicated that he would attend the Planning meeting of the Hambleton Community Safety Partnership on the 10<sup>th</sup> December.

#### **237.2007 PLANNING**

##### **1. APPLICATIONS:**

###### **Hambleton District Council**

**Ref: 07/02966/FUL**

**APPROVED**

**Proposal:** Alterations and extensions to existing dwelling to form two dwellings

**Location:** 17 Pasture Drive

**Applicant:** Mr C Cawood

**Ref: 07/03217/FUL**

**APPROVED**

**Proposal:** Single storey extension to existing dwelling

**Location:** 22 Brookside Avenue

**Applicant:** Mr R Smith

**Ref: 07/03291/FUL**

**REFUSED**

**Proposal:** Revised application for alterations and extensions to two existing storage buildings to form two dwellings

**Location:** Plots 5 & 6 Oak House Yard, Market Place

**Applicant:** Swift Timber Design

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**Ref: 07/03460/FUL** **APPROVED**  
**Proposal:** Extension to rear of dwelling to form a large kitchen  
**Location:** Plots 18 Oak Tree Drive  
**Applicant:** Mr & Mrs M Bloor

**North Yorkshire County Council**

**Proposal:** Alterations to school car park at Mowbray School **APPROVED**  
**Location:** Mowbray School, Masham Road  
**Applicant:** The Governing Body of Mowbray School

**2. DECISIONS:**

**The following decision notices have been received from Hambleton District Council:**

**Ref: 07/01701/FUL** **APPROVED**  
**Proposal:** Retrospective application for the installation of pigeon netting at existing building  
**Location:** 8 – 10 Market Place  
**Applicant:** Northern General Properties Ltd

**Ref: 07/02576/FUL** **APPROVED**  
**Proposal:** Change of use of existing offices to young people's centre  
**Location:** 4 Enterprise House, Bridge Street  
**Applicant:** Bedale Recreational Association

**Ref: 07/02891/FUL** **APPROVED**  
**Proposal:** First floor extension, three storey extension and installation of 2 doors and a roof light.  
**Location:** 5 South End  
**Applicant:** Spacial Design Ltd

**Ref: 07/03035/FUL** **APPROVED**  
**Proposal:** Two storey extension to existing dwelling house  
**Location:** 39 Ash Tree Close  
**Applicant:** Mr C Garner

**Ref: 07/03195/LBC** **APPROVED**  
**Proposal:** Retrospective application for listed building consent for the installation of pigeon netting at existing building  
**Location:** 8 – 10 Market Place  
**Applicant:** Northern General Properties Ltd

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**238.2007 FINANCIAL MATTERS:**

**Finance Schedule and Approval of Cheque Payments** (papers distributed)

Receipts totalled £4,364.70. Cheque Payments totalling £11,993.30 were **approved**.

**CLOSURE**

There being no further business the Meeting was declared closed at 10:10 pm.