

BEDALE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD MONDAY 12th FEBRUARY 2007

PRESENT: Councillor M Barningham
Councillor R Calvert
Councillor E Dunning
Councillor R Pocklington
Councillor C Roberts
Councillor J Weighell
R Howard (Town Clerk)

015.2007 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

In the absence of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, Councillor Ellen Dunning was nominated and **approved** by the Council as Chairman for this meeting.

016.2007 APOLOGIES:

There were apologies from Councillors Young, Reynolds, Megson and Stothard.

017.2007 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA:

Councillor Barningham - 06/02964/FUL and Councillor Weighell – NYCC temporary classroom unit, Bedale CEP School and item 33/2008.

018.2007 TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

Having been circulated, the Minutes of the Meeting held 8th January were **approved** as a correct record.

019.2007 POLICE REPORT:

It was reported that the post of Sergeant was to be taken up by Sergeant Stuart Grainger from 19th February. It was noted that incidents had been reported in Bedale High School grounds concerning anti social behaviour. In answer to a question about the damage to the Bedale public conveniences it was noted the Police were alerted to the incident however no arrests were made.

020.2007 CHARTER MARKET

The Council supported the initiative to inaugurate an annual 'Charter Market' and asked that Councillor Reynolds develop the proposals.

021.2007 FRENCH MARKET

It was reported that the Town Clerk had met the organiser of the 'Marche de France' on the 9th February to discuss proposals. Based upon past experience they would not be able to situate the market on a grassed area and favoured the Market Place. Council **agreed** to the market being located on the Market Place subject to consultation with Hambleton District Council and/or North Yorkshire County Council.

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022.2007 HAMBLETON DISTRICT COUNCIL STANDARDS COMMITTEE

There were no nominations to this Committee.

023.2007 BEDALE PARK

The work required to improve the drainage at the southern pedestrian access to Bedale Park was **approved** subject to consultation with the North Yorkshire County Council with regard to dispersing the surface water into the embankment bordering the public footpath.

024.2007 BEDALE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Councillor Carol Roberts was elected as the Council representative to the Bedale Hall Management Committee. Councillors Calvert, Dunning and Roberts **agreed** to assist with the review of the archived data held in the loft of Bedale Hall. The Clerk will liaise with all parties concerned to agree a date.

025.2007 CAR BOOT SALES 2007

Councillors were advised of the current position with regard to the car boot sales for 2007 and **agreed** that advertising in the 'Car Boot Calendar' and web site would not be appropriate.

026.2007 BEDALE YOUTH VENUE

Council was advised of a meeting of stakeholders to consider the development of a Bedale Youth venue. The Clerk was asked to notify Councillor Young of the meeting and for him to advise Councillor Calvert should his attendance at the meeting not be possible.

027.2007 OFFICE EQUIPMENT

Approval was given to the purchase of a desktop computer and software as identified in the background papers. It was noted that the Council could make use of the notice board located alongside the bus stop in the market Place.

Council **agreed** to the removal of the broken notice board from its location on the eastern side of the Market Place and asked the Clerk to provide cost information for a replacement traditional notice board. The Clerk was asked to refer the proposed location of the new notice board to the Hambleton District Council to ascertain whether planning permission would be required.

Councillors **approved** the purchase of an 'A' frame board to be located outside the Tourist Information Point offices on the days the Town Council office was open. The board would signify the location of the office, opening hours etc.

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028.2007 BEDALE BECK

It was noted that the Environmental Agency does have a list of preferred contractors dealing with the type of work required along the beck side and the contact information was expected imminently. Further progress was expected to be made with a local organisation that may be able to carry out the work as part of an ongoing training requirement.

Concern was expressed with regard to the insecurity of the harbour wall and Council **agreed** to the Clerk purchasing and arranging installation of a sign warning of the potential hazard.

Council noted the work to remove the overgrowth and undergrowth along the public footpath had been completed and it was expected the metalled footpath would be cleaned of soil and debris in the next few days.

Approval was given to the pruning of the willows in keeping with the agreed specification from the Environment Agency. The Clerk was asked to arrange for this work to be carried out.

29.2007 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

The Clerk was requested to contact E & P Electrics to obtain advice on what electrical work would be required to repair and modify the 'Welcome to Bedale' sign. Arrangements had been made for assessing the costs associated with the dismantling and re-welding of the frame.

It was reported that one of the set pieces had been removed from its location in the Market Place. The item is stored at the Leeming Highways Depot having been removed in the belief that it was unsafe. Councillor Calvert will make arrangements for its return to the Town Council premises.

The Clerk was requested to write to the supplier of the set pieces referring to the construction weaknesses and to remind them to pick up an item that should have been collected by MK Illuminations a number of months ago.

30.2007 BEDALE PARK TOILETS

Members were advised that the modifications to the toilet pans had been completed and were now installed. There remained paper holders to fit, some minor electrical work, ceilings to artex and a general clean and tidy.

The Council was pleased to note that a contribution of £500 was to be made by the Bedale & Villages Community Plan Forum towards the cost of the project.

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31.2007 STREET LIGHTING

In considering the state of street lighting in Bedale, Councillors were of the view that improvements ought to be considered in Sussex Street, Firby Road, Bridge Street and The Wynd. The Clerk was requested to contact the North Yorkshire County Council Road Lighting section to invite a member of the team to the next Council meeting and to notify Mr Coupe (see 8th January correspondence) of developments.

32.2007 HAMBLETON STROLLERS

The Clerk was asked to write to the Hambleton Strollers advising them that their request for financial assistance would be considered at a Spring meeting along with other requests.

33.2007 NORTH YORKSHIRE UNITARY COUNCIL PROPOSAL

An overview of the proposal was provided to the Council. It was noted that a differential of £120 existed between the council tax payable by the Hambleton District Council electors as compared with other higher paying Districts. The North Yorkshire County Council proposal identifies a £15m saving and the unitary operation would be through area committees. It was anticipated that council tax would be equalised across all current districts over a 5 year period.

Councillors are to keep the matter under review.

34.2007 REPORTS OF PREVIOUS MONTHS MEETINGS

The minutes of the Bedale and Villages Community Plan Forum are attached.

It was noted that a grant had been obtained to pay for part of the 'Cold Calling Zone' initiative.

At a meeting of the Bedale Hall Management Committee approval had been given for the provision and installation of the overspill parking materials. It was also reported that the decorations to the principal function room in Bedale Hall had been completed.

35.2007 CORRESPONDENCE

Members referred to a list of items of correspondence.

Item 1 It was reported that the Council insurer, Allianz Cornhill had submitted a prepared statement for signature by the Chairman of the Bonfire Working Group.

Item 7 Councillors were advised that the Hambleton District Council was investigating the signage at the Spice of India restaurant.

Item 21 It was noted that the missing chain to the Bedale Hall car park had been replaced.

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Additional correspondence Item 1 Councillor Roberts will attend the District/Parish Liaison meeting.

Additional correspondence Item 5 Councillors **approved** the use of a bouncy castle in Bedale Park subject to the organisers taking care of all insurance arrangements and being aware that it must not be inflated before 3:00 pm bearing in mind the car boot sale taking place on the same day.

036.2007 PLANNING

1. APPLICATIONS:

Ref: 06/02651/ADV

Proposal: Application for advertisement consent to display a non illuminated sign at existing car park

Location: Dales Day Care Centre, Wycar

Applicant: Dales Day Care Centre

SUPPORTED

Ref: 06/02964/OUT

Proposal: Outline planning application for a residential development

Location: 23 Masham Road

Applicant: Persimmon Homes Yorkshire Ltd

REFUSED

Ref: 06/02983/FUL

Proposal: Construction of a detached domestic garage

Location: 23 Brookside Avenue

Applicant: Mr & Mrs P Court

SUPPORTED

Ref: 06/02986/FUL and amendment

Proposal: Two storey extension to existing dwelling

Location: 9 Hird Avenue

Applicant: Mr & Mrs M Wilkinson

SUPPORTED

Ref: 07/00042/FUL

Proposal: Application for replacement roof, alterations to window and door, erect new screening and canopy extension to existing pub.

Location: Black Swan 19 Market Place

Applicant: Scottish & Newcastle Pub Enterprise

SUPPORTED

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Ref: 07/00044/LBC

Proposal: Application for listed building consent for replacement roof, alterations to window and door, repaint existing windows, erect new screening and canopy extension to existing pub.

Location: Black Swan, 19 Market Place

Applicant: Scottish & Newcastle Pub Enterprises

SUPPORTED

Ref: 07/00084/FUL

Proposal: Outline application for the construction of a dwelling.

Location: Rear of 2 Brookside Avenue

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Proudlock

REFUSED

Ref: 07/00166/TCC

Proposal: Application for prior approval for installation of a 12.5M telegraph pole type column incorporating radio antennae, associated equipment and ancillary development.

Location: Sussex Close

Applicant: CBRE

SUPPORTED

Ref: 07/00307/OUT

Proposal: Outline application for the construction of a dwelling.

Location: Land to rear of 11 Firby Road.

Applicant: Mr K Oxtoby

SUPPORTED

Ref: 07/00308/FUL

Proposal: First floor extension to existing dwelling

Location: 11 Firby Road

Applicant: Mr K Oxtoby

SUPPORTED

North Yorkshire County Council

Proposal: Replace temporary classroom unit with a two-classroom extension at Bedale CEP School.

SUPPORTED

2. DECISIONS:

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

Ref: 06/01174/REM

APPROVED

Proposal: Reserved matters application for the construction of two dwellings with domestic double garage as amended by letter and plans received by Hambleton District Council on 13th December 2006.

Location: Land adjacent Four Winds, Firby Road

Applicant: Mr R J Raper

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Ref: 06/02086/FUL

APPROVED

Proposal: Conversion of existing dwellings to two dwellings with integral garages.

Location: 3 Emgate

Applicant: Mr K Tiplady

Ref: 06/02291/FUL

APPROVED

Proposal: Change of use of a dwelling to a day nursery

Location: Amen House, North End

Applicant: Mrs K L Hockey

Ref: 06/02292/LBC

APPROVED

Proposal: Application for listed building consent for internal alterations to existing dwelling to form a day nursery

Location: Amen House, North End

Applicant: Mrs K L Hockey

Ref: 06/02396/FUL

APPROVED

Proposal: Siting of a portable building for use as a classroom in connection with existing children's day nursery.

Location: Caretakers bungalow, Fitzalan Road

Applicant: Mrs S Robinson

Ref: 06/02404/LBC

APPROVED

Proposal: Application for listed building consent for replacement portico to existing building.

Location: 4 North End

Applicant: Robin Jessop Ltd

Ref: 06/02715/FUL

APPROVED

Proposal: Single storey extension to existing dwelling

Location: 8 Oak Tree Drive

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Shinkfield

Ref: 06/02830/FUL

APPROVED

Proposal: Single storey extension and replacement conservatory extension to existing dwelling

Location: 17 Sycamore Drive

Applicant: Rev A Woodhouse

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037.2007 FINANCIAL MATTERS:

Finance Schedule and Approval of Cheque Payments (papers distributed)

Receipts totalled £1062.17. Cheque Payments totalling £21,360.84 were **approved**.

CLOSURE

There being no further business the Meeting was declared closed at 10:15 pm.