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**MINUTES OF BEWERLEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD Monday 22nd January
24 at Colbeck House, Church Street, Pateley Bridge, HG3 5LB**

Present: Cllr. G. Spooner (Chair) Cllr. M. Dawson
Cllr. E. Hancock W Hickson (Clerk)
Cllr. D. Marshall (Vice-Chair) T Dawson (outgoing Clerk)
NYC & Parish Cllr. A. Murday

1.	Apologies were received from Cllrs K Adams and R Dutton
2	No Declarations of Interest received.
3	No parishioners were present
4	Cllr Hancock proposed the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 20 th November 2023 be accepted as a true record, Cllr Dawson seconded, carried .
5	<p>The chair introduced the new parish clerk; William Hickson</p> <p>Clerk's report to Bewerley Parish Council meeting (prepared by outgoing clerk T Dawson)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">On Friday 19th Jan, the Parish Council received a phone call from a member of the public regarding empty grit bins and depleted grit piles on Peat Lane. Customer Services personnel at NYC had advised the Parish Council was responsible for providing grit. The Clerk is aware that members of the public in other parishes have been told that NYC is not responsible for replenishing the green grit bins, only yellow bins. NYC website shows sites of bins and grit deposits and advises which are not their responsibility; links at each map site are supposed to tell website visitors who or what is responsible, but the links don't work. This issue is of concern as HBC had previously replenished all green bins and if NYC now refuse to do this, it constitutes a change of policy which has not been notified to parishes. <p><i>Cllr Murday stated there have been similar reports in other parishes. Harrogate Borough Council previously replenished grit bins and heaps. Cllr Murday agreed to seek clarification of present North Yorkshire Council policy.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The Parish Council was not informed of the recent landslip on the B6265 near Lamb Hill, nor of the decision to install temporary traffic lights.As previously reported, a small amount of locality grant remains unspent, and it was agreed this surplus would fund the refurbishment of the stanchions/bollards around the war memorial. The Parish Caretaker has submitted a quote of £200.00 for materials and work. <p><i>Cllr Spooner proposed quote from caretaker to be accepted, Cllr Marshall seconded, carried.</i></p> <p>RESOLVED: <i>caretaker to be advised and work to be done when weather permits.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The Chiltondale invoice and reimbursement to PBTC for the handrails was made at the beginning of the year and will show on the January bank statements.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chiltondale were asked to view the Greenhow war memorial and have advised that it is in good condition. It does not require any work other than the possibility of a lower rail, which would be better for holding the wreaths in place for the rest of the year. • On 11th Jan a member of the public reported much litter and dog poo bags at Toft Gate car park. The Parish Caretaker removed the mess but advised that some of the litter included the largest amount of drug “baggies” he had ever seen. The matter was reported to North Yorks Police and PC Spittlehouse agreed patrols would check in at the site. • The outstanding ice cream concession payment for 2023/24 has been raised with NYC and a reply is awaited. • New Clerk update - a handover for the new Clerk is underway and he has been booked onto the “Induction for new Council Clerks” YLCA training workshop on 25th Jan. <p>The mobile phone donated to the Council is unfortunately not working properly and it may be necessary to purchase a new (reconditioned) phone. RESOLVED to purchase a reconditioned mobile phone to replace the faulty device. Budget for this set at £200.</p> <p>Parish Council signs at Toft Gate car park and Greenhow play area have outdated contact information on them. RESOLVED that new signs are ordered with up-to-date contact information for Bewerley Parish Council and without personal details of the clerk.</p> <p>North Yorkshire Council, the YLCA, PBTC and the payroll provider have been advised of Bill’s appointment. The website has been updated and the announcement was made in the recent emaildodo communication.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It has been agreed that, for the time being, Tracey Dawson will continue to monitor the two defibrillators and will also manage the Parish Council’s Facebook page.

<p>6 NYC <u>Nidderdale National Landscape</u> AONB’s have been rebranded as National Landscapes, so ours is now called Nidderdale National Landscape.</p> <p><u>Long Course Weekend</u> I have attached a briefing note which is dated 6th September but has only been made available to me in the last few weeks. Clearly these could be great events for Nidderdale in all sorts of ways, but there remain some unanswered questions, particularly related to the disruption that will ensue, the conduct of communication with the local community through the Town and Parish councils, and the economic consequences of the events. I have posed some relevant questions to the executive member on the NYC public site.</p> <p><u>Greenhow Hill</u> The road is restricted to single file traffic under traffic light control where there has been a landslip. There is a dispute regarding ownership of the bank that has slipped. Highways have undertaken to clear the road while that is resolved.</p> <p><i>Cllr Murday reported that the ownership dispute has been resolved.</i></p> <p><i>Cllr Murday advised budgetary cuts are expected but spending is not anticipated to be reduced to the statutory minimum. The locality budget is likely to decrease. At this time, it is uncertain if the move to a</i></p>

	<p>NY Mayoralty in May 2024 will result in savings. Cllr Dawson asked if a report would be forthcoming regarding the savings made as a result of devolution. Cllr Murday advised that eventually there would be.</p>
<p>7</p>	<p>The Council received the following planning applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) DCPARISH 6.59.344.A.TPO ZC23/04546/TPO Fell 1 no Cedar (T1) of Tree Preservation Order No. 01/1970 W2 Eagle Hall Woods Street Lane Beverley HG3 5HW GRID REF: E 415206 N 46509 <i>The Parish council has no objections</i> b) NY/2023/0199/FUL Consultation on planning application for the purposes of the demolition of existing accommodation and service blocks. Erection of new accommodation blocks, hub building, amenity and changing blocks, workshops, stores and associated external works including car parking, attenuation dry basin, tree removal and hard and soft landscaping on land at Beverley Park Outdoor Education Centre, Beverley, North Yorkshire, HG3 5JB <i>The Parish Council has no objections</i> <p>The Council noted the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> c) 23/01042/FUL Part retrospective application for cascades and pond to west of Stillwater, Eagle Hall Woods, Nanny Knowles Wood North of Track Beverley. North Yorkshire Council have resolved to GRANT PLANNING PERMISSION SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS. d) ZC23/01415/LB Demolition of extensions, internal and external alterations to main house. Grassfield Hall Low Wath Road Pateley Bridge HG3 5HL. North Yorkshire Council have resolved to GRANT LISTED BUILDING CONSENT SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS. e) ZC23/02259/FUL Change of use of land to allow siting of two shepherd huts with parking and landscaping Brigg House Farm Low Wath Road Pateley Bridge HG3 5HL. North Yorkshire Council have resolved to GRANT PLANNING PERMISSION SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS.
<p>8</p>	<p>The Council received updates and reports on Council Business and correspondence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Caretaker tasks. No new tasks Cllr Spooner advised that he had conducted a litter pick at the play area in the Recreation Ground, at the request of the Clerk and had collected a high number of takeaway cups. b) To consider and adopt draft Biodiversity policy Cllr Dawson observed that adoption of this policy will mean that the council must amend its instructions to the caretaker in relation to grass cutting. RESOLVED: Cllr Hancock will research what is needed and report back to the council. c) Biodiversity Webinar - Monday, 26 February Cllr Hancock said she would look at this webinar d) (PAT0000584/1) - Sale of Land to West of Cemetery Pateley Bridge HG3 5NX Cllr Dawson referred to letter from Berwin's solicitors; the Parish Council discussed the option of paying a fixed fee of £2,500 or an hourly rate. RESOLVED: Cllrs in favour of paying a fixed fee; Clerk to contact clerk of Pateley Bridge Town Council and ask for confirmation that NYC will pick up these fees. Cllr Hancock nominated Cllrs Dawson as a representative and Cllr Dawson nominated Cllr Spooner, carried. RESOLVED: terms of the contract include a covenant to ensure the land cannot be used for any purpose other than as a cemetery. e) To verify powers for donations The Parish Council noted the YLCA briefing note regarding donations to churches. f) To agree a policy on reserves Cllr Dawson proposed a six-month net revenue expenditure be reserved for Beverley Parish Council, Cllr Murday seconded, carried.

- g) Greenhow defibrillator quote - DHSC Defibrillator Information
Cllr Dutton reported in an email that he has secured funding for a defibrillator to be sited at St Mary's Church, Greenhow Hill.
RESOLVED: to be included on the agenda for the February meeting.
- h) Update on Toft Gate Lease
Cllr Dawson provided an update: The lease for Toft Gate has been sent to solicitors for certified copies. Cllr Dawson will contact the Nidderdale Landscape Partnership with a view to arranging for a survey of the site to be undertaken.
- i) Parish Online mapping and website sessions
RESOLVED clerk to attend on-line training course
- j) D Day 80- letter and information from the Pageantmaster
RESOLVED: to be included on the agenda for the forthcoming JLC meeting. Cllrs agreed this should be on next JKLC agenda; clerk to inform PBTC clerk
Cllrs discussed state of bunting held by the council. Existing Union jack bunting is in poor condition, Cllrs agreed to leave purchase of new bunting until next financial year.
RESOLVED: include in April/May agenda and clerk to obtain quote.
- k) Membership of SLCC for new Clerk
Cllr Hancock proposed the Parish Council fund the Clerk's SLCC membership, seconded Cllr Murday, **Carried**.
RESOLVED clerk to join SLCC
- l) YLCA training for new Clerk
RESOLVED clerk to attend training on Finance and Planning as and when suitable YLCA courses become available
- m) Next meeting of the Harrogate branch of YLCA on 19 February 2024
Cllr Dawson will attend this meeting.
- n) Nidderdale Plus Befriending Scheme
Cllrs noted
- o) North Yorkshire Council Situational Awareness Community
Cllrs noted this service (which is a webpage app)
- p) Warm Spaces in Nidderdale
Cllrs noted this service
- q) PBTC Christmas Lights maintenance
Cllr Spooner proposed the Parish Council match last year's donation, seconded Cllr Marshall, **carried**.
- r) Funding of £2.5 million to transform facilities for communities.
Cllr Murday stated that further details of this "shared prosperity fund" can be found on the NYC website.
- s) Notice of Discontinuation of Website Service
Cllr Dawson reported that website service is being discontinued because of a contractual dispute between service providers, 2Commune and 'Cuttlefish'. Cllr Dawson proposed BPC enter a new contract with Cuttlefish from March 24, seconded Cllr Murday, carried.
RESOLVED: Cllr Dawson will manage the transfer on behalf of the Parish Council.

9 9.1 Cllr Hancock proposed the Council approve the following accounts for payment, seconded Cllr Marshall: carried

9.1.1	Pateley Bridge Memorial Hall Invoice refreshments for Armistice Day 2023	£ 75.00
9.1.2	T Dawson office expenses ICO subscription renewal 23/24	35.00
9.1.3	T Dawson office expenses emaildodo annual subscription	24.94
9.1.4	R Langley inv A2161 caretaking	127.50
	R Langley inv A2138 caretaking	232.50
9.1.5	Yewdale Consulting inv 0058/24 locum services	330.00

	<p>9.1.6 T P Jones and Co LLP payroll inv TPJ/P1579 59.40</p> <p>9.1.7 TPSL ESET renewal inv 98498 45.99</p> <p>9.2 The Council received a bank reconciliation to 31st December 2023</p> <p>9.4 Cllr Hancock reconciled the receipts/payments approved at the previous meeting with bank statement</p>
10	<p>10.1 There was no new correspondence:</p> <p>10.2 Information exchange Cllr Murday stated that the local Youth Council had conducted an Accessibility Survey of premises on Pateley Bridge High Street. This will be repeated with visitors in the spring. The survey included non-physical impediments to access such as visibility. The youth council is planning a Nidderdale Youth Festival to be held in June or July.</p> <p>Cllr Murday stated that Moorland Trust have agreed to the installation of a 3G pitch at Nidderdale High School. The total cost is £800k 60% of which is funded by the Football Association. The balance of £30k will need to be raised.</p> <p>Cllr Murday advised discussions are underway with regard to an on-call service at Summerbridge Fire Station.</p>
11	<p>Items for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting</p> <p>None raised</p>
12	<p>Date of next meeting The next meeting will be held on Monday 19th February 2024 at 7 p.m. at Colbeck House, Church Street, Pateley Bridge.</p> <p>The meeting concluded at 8.30pm.</p>