

BENTHAM TOWN COUNCIL



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**There will be a Meeting of the Bentham Town Council on
Monday 5th September 2022 at 7.30 pm
– to be conducted in the Lower Hall at Bentham Town Hall.**

All Town Council Meetings are open to the Public and Press.

The press and public may not speak when the Council is in session, but they may make points during the 'comments & concerns' item on the agenda.

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AGENDA

112. **Apologies** from members unable to attend: -
112.1 To Note Apologies for absence given in advance of the meeting.
112.2 To consider acceptance of reasons for absence – if consideration of reason requested.
113. **Declaration of Interest:** -
113.1 To Note Declarations of Interest not already declared under members Code of Conduct or members register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.
113.2 To Approve Dispensation Requests – if dispensation request received.
114. To receive **Comment & Concerns:** Public participation – to hear matters raised by members of the public or Cllrs with an interest (that are allowed to speak) either on agenda items or for future consultation.
- (NB: for non-agenda items Members of the Council are not permitted to respond, except to ask questions for the purposes of clarification; The period of time designated for public participation at a meeting shall not exceed 20 minutes unless directed by the chairman of the meeting. A member of the public shall not speak for more than 3 minutes).
115. To **Confirm the Minutes** of the previous meetings on 17th August 2022. (Paper 2022/140)
116. To receive the **Police Report** & allow members to ask questions for information - If any.
117. To receive a **report from the Public Safety Officer** & allow members to ask questions for information – if any.
118. To receive the **Clerks Report** (for information only). (Paper 2022/141)
119. To receive **Reports from CCIlr & DCIIrs** (for information only) - If any

120. Planning
- 120.1 To consider and comment upon **New Planning Applications**
- 120.1.1 24205/FUL. Renewal of existing dilapidated shed with new to same dimensions. The building would be a field shelter/stable for 2 alpacas and 5 sheep, and to also house 4 chickens during avian flu outbreaks. Battersby Farm, Mewith, Bentham, Lancaster, LA2 7DH.
- 120.1.2 2022/24278/HH. Proposed rear extension, internal re-modelling and external ground works to the existing lodge. Ridding Lode, Low Bentham, Lancaster, LA2 7DE.
- 120.1.3 2022/24312/HH. New single storey rear extension, new roof windows in existing roof, new back door, replacement balustrade to existing balcony. 15 Holme Park, High Bentham, Lancaster, LA2 7ND.
- 120.1.4 2022/24325/TPO. T1-Scots Pine – remove the branches that are nearly touching the roof, remove snapped out branch and dead wood. High lodge, Ravens Close Brow, Low Bentham, Lancaster, LA2 7EU.
- 120.2 To receive **Planning Decision** – see Clerks Report.
121. **Highways matters:** -
- 121.1 To consider the reply to the council request for a pedestrian crossing at/near junction of Scholars Rise and Robin Lane, High Bentham and to agree a way forward. (Paper 2022/142)
- 121.2 To consider and note highway matters for information. Councillors can comment on any minor highway issues currently causing concern. NB: Councillors may report all concerns online to NYCC.
122. To **consider a transfer from the deposit account** and to agree a way forward.
123. To agree the **Accounts for Payment**.
124. To consider the amended **staff review document** and agree a way forward. (Paper 2022/143)
125. To consider providing Councillors **with laptops**. (Paper 2022/144)
126. **Buildings Matters:**
- 126.1 To agree what action to take regarding: -
- 126.1.1 The broken cover over the drain in the basement.
- 126.1.2 The rip in the carpet on half landing (stairs down from BR - on right, facing the stage).
- 126.1.3 Removing the waste wood and car battery from the cleaner's cupboard. (Who do they belong to?)
- 126.2 To agree a date for the proposed "**archive evening**" and agree a way forward.
- 126.3 Heating at CYB – To discuss whether it should be drained down for the winter and agree a way forward.
127. **Open Spaces:** -
- 127.1 To consider new plants and/or bulbs for the planters at School Hill.
- 127.2 To consider adding strimming/clipping the edges along the fence between PHPF and the houses on Old School Close to the grass cutting regime.
128. To consider the **condition of the Main Street** and to agree a way forward. (Paper 2022/145)
129. **School Hill and Christmas Lights on Lamppost** special project: -
- 129.1 Update on position re completion of work by Mark Burrow. (Paper 2022/146)
- 129.2 To review the arrangements for illuminating the Christmas lights and to agree a way forward.
- 129.3 To consider a proposal for the purchase of Christmas Lights and agree a way forward. (Paper 2022/147)

130. To consider the following **correspondence** and to agree a way forward and/or a response: -
- 130.1 Funding for Environmental Projects in Craven. (Paper 2022/148)
 - 130.2 Concern regarding the location of the “Bentham in Times Past” plaque on Central Building, as it has been masked by seating. (Paper 2022/149)
 - 130.3 A new Council Tax Reduction Scheme for North Yorkshire Council – please have your say before 18 September. (Paper2022/150)
131. To Receive **Reports from Councillors** who represent the Council on other bodies (for information only) - If any.
132. Items for next meeting **and minor items for information** only.
133. Date of next meeting.
134. To resolve that in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, and by reason of the confidential nature of the remainder of the business, that the public and press be excluded further from the meeting, whilst item **135 is** considered: -
135. To consider items of correspondence received regarding the **Community Youth Building** and agree a way forward, if any. (Paper 2022/151))

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