



Management Group

7.00pm on Monday 27th February 2023

The Drawing Room, Bedale Hall

Minutes

Present

Clive Pointon (Chair); Yvonne Rose; David Oakes; Paul Edworthy; Andy Hallett; Ian Watkins; Amanda Coates; Christine Mollard; Jackie Kennedy; John Noone (Vice Chair); Mike Barningham; Bill Tetlow; Liz Lockey; Lizzie Clapham; Malcolm Bloor; Kayleigh Catford (Secretary)

Apologies

Peter Cole

1. Welcome, Introductions & Apologies

Clive Pointon welcomed everyone to the meeting

2. Minutes of the Meeting held 8th November 2022

Agreed as a true record thereof.

3. Actions & Matters Arising

Meeting minutes from the 2021 AGM – were received from Peter Cole and shared with everyone ahead of the meeting.

Andy Hallett spotted a typo under item 5, referencing the proposal to support the inclusive play equipment – the first sentence should finish “awarded to Bedale Town Council”

With this amendment – John Noone proposed the minutes be agreed as a true record, this was seconded by Mike Barningham

4. Bedale.org update

There is now an online version of our grant application form as an alternative to completing the word doc version.

Yvonne & Kayleigh met with WJPS and discussed some website updates. A background system update is required for bedale.org to make it easier for the website admins to keep it up to date. The website itself would also benefit from a visual update to improve the user experience and to better represent the town, businesses, and organisations on the site.

Facebook continues to grow, with over 5000 followers and a recent post about a new parkrun reaching over 15k people.

5. Finance update

Mike Barningham presented an update on income and outgoings on both the General Account and the Events Account for the full year 2022 and for this year to date.

As at the 16th February 2023 the Forum had £28216.73 in its General Account and £1618.49 in its Events Account.

Members questioned free room hire from Bedale Hall for the Christmas Festival – Mike will raise this at the next Bedale Hall meeting.

6. Correspondence

Members of the Forum were invited by the Mayor of Bedale, to the first Mayor's Charity Afternoon Tea on Saturday 29th April 2023. Invite details shared with members

7. Grant applications and updates

There were no new applications to consider.

Cllr Amanda Coates gave an update on the Community Christmas Lunch: 38 people attended the event in person and additional meals were delivered to people in their homes. The event went well and came in under budget. The Christmas Lunch will happen again next year and be ran as a Bedale Town Council event. BTC will be in touch to request that the surplus from this year's grant be carried over to next years event.

Clive Pointon gave an update on BASA following a recent event to officially open the new venue. It's a top-class venue with excellent facilities and capacity for events with up to 75 people.

8. Christmas Festival update

Yvonne Rose provided an update on the Christmas Festival – the event was a success with over 1000 attendees on the day. Full detailed report to be shared via email.

9. Update from December's volunteering event

Liz Lockey provided an update from the volunteering event which was held in on Thursday 8th December. 11 organisations were represented at the event which identified the main challenges organisations are facing around volunteering. Action points and next steps were discussed. Full detailed report to be shared via email.

10. Any other business

Liz Lockey brought to the attention of the group The Community Anchor Programme and a potential pot of funding we could apply for. Full document to be circulated and deadline for registering interest in the fund is March 31st. It was agreed by all that we should aim to register our interest in this fund and if we're successful then decide what we would do with it.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

To approve the revised constitution – John Noone proposed the new constitution was accepted, this was seconded by Yvonne Rose and everyone at the meeting was in favour

11. Date for next meeting

Thursday 25th May, 7pm

The meeting closed at 20.21pm