



**Draft Minutes of the meeting of the Joint Liaison Committee held on 7 March 2023 in the Council Chamber, King Street, Pateley Bridge at 6.30pm**

**Committee Members and Officers Present:**

Cllrs I Skaife (Chair), S Lumley, J. Wright, and S Smith, Clerk to PBTC  
Cllrs G Spooner, D Marshall, M Dawson, and T Dawson, Clerk to BPC;

**Also present:**

Chris Skaife, Chair - Pateley Bridge and Bewerley Memorial Hall, Cllr. H. Jefferson (PBTC) and Cllr. Holt (PBTC)

1. **Apologies for absence** - none

2. **Minutes of meeting held on Monday 20 February**

**Resolved:** that the minutes of the meeting held on 20 February are signed as a correct record.

3. **Matters Arising**

The Clerk to PBTC said she had been approached by the adopter of a memorial bench near the bandstand in the Recreation Ground. He was enquiring as to the procedure to get the bench restored.

It was agreed that the Clerk should send the full details to the Clerk to Bewerley Parish Council and the matter will be taken from there.

4. **Parking Arrangements at the Showground**

The Clerk to BPC said that in her work capacity at Nidd Plus, she had had to help people appeal fines received at the showground. Although they were incurred in December, the letters had only just come through.

Unfortunately, there is bad feeling on social media about the car park and people are blaming the councils, even though it is outside of their control.

The Clerk to PBTC noted that the grace period had just been raised from 10 minutes to 20 minutes, which could make a significant difference.

Concern was raised about the upcoming tractor rally. Assurance had been given that, providing drivers went through the second camera at the start of the field beyond the car park, they would not get a fine.

It was agreed that both Councils should write a joint letter to Nidderdale Agricultural Society expressing its disappointment and frustration with the new parking arrangements and detailing the problems it is causing, not to mention damage to the town's reputation.

The sale of the 2023 shoppers' parking permits had been confirmed for 25 May from 10am to 4pm. The Clerk to PBTC was drawing up a timetable for the sales.

The Clerk to BPC volunteered to be there from 12pm to 4pm.

## 5. H M The King's Coronation

### a) To consider any further information received with regards to potential funding for the proposed Big Lunch on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May.

HBC had not confirmed that there would be any funding available for events to mark the Coronation. Cllr Lumley said he would take the question to an HBC meeting he had the next night.

Chris Skaife outlined the Memorial Hall's plans:

- The Memorial Hall will hold a live screening of the Coronation on Sat 6<sup>th</sup> May.
- On Sun 7<sup>th</sup> May it will move its car boot sale across the road in the hope of catching people who are visiting the Big Lunch.
- Mon 8<sup>th</sup> May is the 'Big Help Out' day and the Memorial Hall will organise something, which will include cake and refreshments.

The new unofficial Chamber of Trade representative Alison Reilly was very keen to be involved. A late-night opening was planned for Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May.

### b) To make a firm decision on whether to proceed and to allocate a budget (to then be ratified by both councils).

Even though there was no guarantee on funding, everyone agreed that it was important to mark this historic event. BPC had already agreed the spend at its meeting and PBTC would consider it later that evening.

The cost to the councils was estimated as being about £350 each.

It was agreed in principle that the event would definitely go ahead, subject to PBTC's agreement at the full council meeting.

### c) To agree the format of the event, the entertainment, and determine any necessary actions.

The format for the Big Lunch would be similar to that of the Platinum Jubilee. The event will run from 12-3pm. People will bring along their own picnics. There will be 2 or 3 musical events, including the Dacre Silver Band. The Playhouse will be asked to provide teas and coffees, as it did at the Jubilee celebrations.

Cllr. Jefferson said she may be able to get someone who will play music in between acts, which will help with the atmosphere.

It was agreed that arrangements could start to be made and that the clerks will liaise to get everything in place.

*Cllr. Spooner and the Clerk to BPC left at 6:50pm as they had a prior commitment.*

## 6. Exchange of Information

Cllr. Lumley noted that a new defibrillator would be installed in Bewerley soon.

## 7. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting was agreed for Monday 17th April in Colbeck House, ahead of BPC's evening meeting.

Meeting finished at 18:53.