

# **THE RECTOR AND FOUR AND TWENTY OF BEDALE**

The Bedale Welfare Charity – Charity Commission Reference Number 224035  
Bedale Education & Bedale 750 Charity – Charity Commission Reference  
Number 529517

## **MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE RECTOR AND FOUR AND TWENTY OF BEDALE**

Held at Bedale Hall  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024  
At 6 pm in The Conference Room

### **1. Chairman's Welcome and apologies**

**Present:** Simon Moor, Judi Asquith, Mike Barningham, Keith Bailes, Michael Chaloner, Sam Chisholm, Amanda Coates, Carol Gill, John Noone, Clive Pointon, Yvonne Rose, David Shaw, Malcolm Young, Alan Johnson, Trevor Johnson, Jackie Kennedy, Mark Kettlewell, Harry Lillystone, Janet Maddocks, Christine Mollard.

**Apologies:** Sue Inglis.

### **2. Approval of minutes of the meetings held 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

Alan Johnson proposed the minutes of the general meeting were approved, this was seconded by Mike Barningham and the majority in favour.

AGM minutes will be resubmitted to the next AGM

### **3. Matters Arising**

None

### **4. Finance Report**

Balances:

Investment Portfolios - £597068.25 Welfare / £19763.78 Education

Bank: £40838.18 Welfare / £2190.53 Education

### **5. Land at Aiskew**

Purchaser hoping to complete the sale of the house 16<sup>th</sup> / 18<sup>th</sup> September.

Charity Commission approval applied for on the 15<sup>th</sup> July, the website said a 60 day turnaround but when Yvonne Rose rang CC after 30 days was advised that it could be twelve weeks. However there was an emergency email to try to expedite a decision which had now been sent.

Alan Johnson – Approach Broadacres to make sure there is an access road to our land when their development is complete. MB going to look into the planning.

Mike Barningham has registered an interest to develop the land with NYC as part of long term planning.

## **6. Website**

The Clerk showcased the new Four & Twenty website. This is now live and trustees are invited to have a look and feedback any comments for amends

## **7. Procedure for appointing a new trustee**

The constitution requires a specially convened meeting with 21 days notice for the appointment of a new trustee, given that these charities will be merging with the CIO in the near future it seems unnecessary to appoint a new trustee.

## **8. Update re grant criteria**

A sub group of Sam Chisolm, Judi Asquith, Mark Kettlewell, and Keith Bailes et to discuss the criteria for giving grants. A paper was submitted by the sub group which came to the conclusion that the present criteria is fit for purpose. Once the charities have been merged and assets transferred to the CIO we can consider amending the constitution of the CIO to widen the criteria.

## **9. Requests for assistance**

9.1 – Individual in need of essential home furnishings.

Judi Asquith has been made aware of an individual who has just moved into a property and is in need of all furnishings including: bed, fridge freezer, sofa, microwave, kettle and more.

John Noone proposed we allocate £1000 to help the individual out, this was seconded by Amanda Coates and the majority in favour. Judi Asquith is going to speak to the gentleman's sister and arrange.

9.2 – St Gregory's Church, Crakehall – clock refurbishment

A discussion was had about an application from St Gregory's Church, Crakehall for a grant towards the refurbishment of their clock.

A grant of £3000 was proposed by John Noone, this was seconded by Clive Pinton.

Yvonne Rose asked it to be minuted that we will be in breach of our trustee responsibilities if we agree to this grant as it does not meet our criteria.

Alan Johnson, proposed an amendment to wait for the CIO to be fully in operation and we could amend the eligibility criteria. This was seconded by Mike Barningham. Yvonne Rose said this will take up to two years for the new

CIO to amend the criteria to be included in the constitution. A vote took place: 7 in favour, 10 against

Vote for the original proposition – 7 in favour, 8 against.

Clerk asked to write to explain that they don't meet our criteria and indicate they may reapply in the future.

## **Correspondence**

Door 84, a York based charity, wrote to us asking for a grant. The Clerk identified that they don't cover our beneficiary area and explained that we are unable to support their grant.

### **10. Any Other Business**

Yvonne Rose – had submitted annual return for both existing charities for 23/24

Meeting closed 18.56

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