



## BENTHAM TOWN COUNCIL

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Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2026

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

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2026 at 7:30pm, Lower Hall, Bentham Town Hall.**

Background papers are available for viewing by appointment before the meeting. These will be circulated to Councillors in the days before the meeting.

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**Town Clerk and RFO**

### AGENDA

#### **43 Apologies from members unable to attend: -**

- 43.1 To note apologies for absence given in advance of the meeting.
- 43.2 To consider acceptance of reasons for absence – if consideration of reason requested.

#### **44 Declaration of Interest: -**

- 44.1 To note declarations of interest not already declared under members Code of Conduct or members register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.
- 44.2 To approve dispensation requests – if dispensation request received.

#### **45 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).

#### **46 To Confirm the Minutes** of the meeting on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026 as a true and accurate record.

#### **47 To receive the Police Report** & allow members to ask questions for information - If any.

#### **48 To receive a Report from NYC Councillor** (for information only) - If any

#### **49 Financial Matters:**

- 49.1 To consider the Council's cyber insurance renewal.
- 49.2 To receive and note current bank balances; Unity current account as £70,039.62, the Public Sector deposit account balance as £85,000.00 and the Virgin current account as £32,394.92. Including bank reconciliation.
- 49.3 To consider the prioritising of Council planned projects due to budget constraints.
- 49.4 To consider the budget and reserves movements:  
Finance committee is recommending to Full Council that reserves be re-allocated to Goodenber Road Play Area:  
£10,000 from sale of Community Youth Building to GRPA  
£10,000 from cemetery extension to GRPA  
£5,000 from street light maintenance to GRPA  
£7,000 from MUGA to GRPA  
Total allocated budget for GRPA = £35,326.60 Including £3,326.60 already in Reserves.

49.5 To note the pre-authorized salary and pre-agreed contractual payments.

49.6 To approve the payments.

**50 To consider and comment upon New Planning Applications:**

50.1 26/02703/TPO Application to remove the following 13 trees. Goodenbergh Caravan Park Ravens Close Brow Low Bentham (circulated to Council: Councillors did not respond to the question of planning application needing a meeting, deadline past).

50.2 26/02822/REM Approval of reserved matters in relation to details of appearance and landscaping following outline planning permission reference 26/01844/DVCON Land To South Green Head Farm Cross Lane Low Bentham (deadline request extended to 6<sup>th</sup> July)

50.3 26/02830/TPO Replace NYC recommended holly tree with cherry blossom tree. Tree Preservation Order 2256-171-2008 20 Hillside Road Low Bentham (**application belongs to Bentham Town Council – no response appropriate**)

**51 Council matters:**

51.1 To consider the harassment and anti-bullying policy, sexual harassment risk assessment and action plan.

51.2 To consider the Sickness Absence Policy.

**52 To receive information on the following ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary:**

52.1 To receive the Clerk's report.

52.2 Roadworks in and around Bentham.

52.3 Playground equipment at PHPF and GRPA.

**53 Correspondence received:** To receive information on the following new correspondences and decide further action, if any;

53.1 Environment Agency.

53.2 Questions regarding PFAS from member of public.

53.3 Cleaner Bentham.

53.4 Angus Fire update.

53.5 Concern from member of public regarding HARP.

53.6 York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority Rural Bus Franchising study.

53.7 Bentham Footway scheme.

53.8 Cars parked on Low Bentham Road from member of public.

**54 To receive an update on the Bentham Boost and decide further action where necessary.**

**55 To receive Reports from Councillors** who represent the Council on other bodies (for information only)

**56 Items for next meeting and minor items for information only.**

**57 Dates of next meeting:**  
**Buildings Committee: TBC**  
**Marketing and Development Committee: TBC**  
**Full Council Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2026**

**58 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 items within 59 are considered:-**

**59 To receive and consider staffing updates.**

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**Town Clerk and RFO Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2026**