BENTHAM TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of Monday 2nd November 2026 at 7:30pm, Lower Hall, Bentham Town Hall.

Present: Cllrs Adams, Marshall and Stannard
Town Clerk: C Burrow
MOP: 1
Bentham News: 2

Tuesday 3rd November 2026

113 Apologies from members unable to attend: -

113.1 To note apologies for absence given in advance of the meeting.
Apologies received from Cllrs Whittet, MacEley-Young and Taylor.

The meeting was unable to proceed as it was inquorate, owing to insufficient members being present. No formal business could therefore be transacted.

The meeting closed at 19:42

113.2 To consider acceptance of reasons for absence – if consideration of reason requested.

114 Declaration of Interest: -

114.1 To note declarations of interest not already declared under members Code of Conduct or members register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.

114.2 To approve dispensation requests – if dispensation request received.

115 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).

116 To **Confirm the Minutes** of the meeting on Monday 5th October 2026 as a true and accurate record.

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

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

119 Financial Matters:

119.1 To receive and note current bank balances; Unity current account as **£69,640.90** the Public Sector deposit account balance as **£85,000.00** and the Virgin current account as **£30,745.27** with Bank Reconciliation dated **26th October 2026.**

119.2 To receive the Interim Internal Audit.

119.3 To note the pre-authorised salaries and pre-agreed contractual payments.

119.4 To approve the payments.

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

120.1 26/04334/LB Listed building consent for new signage, 15B Main Street, High Bentham, LA2 7LG

120.2 26/05844/LB Listed building consent for the installation of PV panels to existing south east roof slope, Calf Cop Cottage, Burton Road, Low Bentham, LA2 7ET

120.3 26/06188/FUL Change of use of land to 3 no. residential gardens and external alterations to dwellings at Oysterber Farm, Oysterber Farm, Burton Road, Low Bentham, LA2 7ET

120.4 PP-15113840 26/04991/ADV 8 Main Street, Bentham – WITHDRAWN

120.5 26/00114/NREFLB 26/00080/LB Calf Cop, Low Bentham – Applicant appealing.

121 Council matters:

121.1 To receive the Clerk's report.

121.2 To consider the PFAS and Environmental Concerns Community Liaison Group with community consultation update.

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

122.1 To note The Sidings/Harley Bank car park area update.

122.2 Roadworks in and around Bentham.

122.3 To receive an update on the Goodenber Road Play Area works.

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

123.1 Angus Fire update.

123.2 Draft order of a disabled parking bay Robin Lane, Bentham.

123.3 HARP liaison group meeting Wray 18th November 2026.

123.4 Request from Low Bentham Women's Institute

123.5 Local Plan Scoping Consultation and consultation on the Draft Engagement Strategy.

124 To receive an update on **Bentham Boost and decide further action where necessary**

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

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

127 Dates of **next meeting:**

Finance -	**Budget, Grants, Precept (All Council members)**
	Monday 23rd November 2026 at 7:00pm, Lower Hall
Full Council:	**Monday 7th December 2026 at 7:30pm, Lower Hall**

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