

Minutes of the Meeting of Old Bolsover Town Council
Held at 6.45pm on Tuesday 16 July 2024 at Bainbridge Hall, Carr Vale Road, Bolsover
S44 6JD

Present

P	Cllr. D. Adams	P	Cllr. C. Jeffery (Chair)
P	Cllr. A. Clarke	P	Cllr. R. Reed
P	Cllr. R. Clarke	P	Cllr. J.M. Rushby
A	Cllr. M. Cresswell	P	Cllr. A. Taylor
P	Cllr. D. Hales	A	Cllr. R. Tooth (Vice Chair)
P	Cllr. P. Goodwin	P	Cllr. J. Woodhead

In attendance:

Charlotte Taylor - Town Clerk
County Councillor – Joan Dixon, Derbyshire County Council (DCC)
Mary McGuire and Julie Middleditch, Bolsover District Council (BDC)
2 members of Bolsover Safer Neighbourhood Team
5 members of the public

1. To receive apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Cresswell and Tooth.

2. To consider a Variation of Order of Business

There was a request to deal with agenda item 16 following agenda item 8 due to officers from Bolsover District Council being in attendance.

3. Declaration of Members Interests

Cllr Hales declared an interest in agenda item 15(6) planning applications..

4. Public Speaking

Matters raised:

- Congratulations to the Gala organisers, the event was very well attended.
- A question regarding the £15m regeneration funding and if it is still available following the general election.
- Concerns raised regarding the commencement of development on the old hospital site, while the S106 funding issue remains unresolved.
- Dates for the Moor Lane Community Building public consultation – it was confirmed this will take place following the affordability assessment which is currently taking place.
- Reports of overhanging hedges on the footpath onto St Lawrence Avenue.

5. Chair's Announcements

The Chair had no further updates to report.

6. County Councillors' Report

County Councillor Joan Dixon reported on the following:

- The budget figures for quarter four 2023/24 are now in, the deficit has been reduced to £21million, using £13million of reserves.
- Reports of potholes are reducing.
- The new adult care charging regime came into force on Monday 15 July.
- SEND issues, and children requiring EHCPs are increasing, with some young people being out of school for up to 12 months pending assessment.
- Town End junction traffic lights, a request for an amendment to the Traffic Regulation Order has been submitted but this may take up to 2 years.
- Two Council meetings are due to take place this week, budget setting and a special ceremony to honour Millie Bright with the Freedom of Derbyshire.

- There was a request that the tourism signage for Bolsover Castle on the motorway is relocated to Junction 29a.

7. District Councillors' Report

Councillor Donna Hales reported on the following:

- The £15million regeneration funding is confirmed.

Councillor Anne Clarke reported on the following:

- Bolsover District Council was targeted, along with 58 other councils, receiving anonymous parcels from a developer.

Councillor Ashley Taylor reported on the following:

- Plans are commencing for the development of Castle Park.

8. Police representation

There were two representatives from the Safer Neighbourhood Team in attendance. June 2024 crime figures were reviewed; it was noted that there is a reduction in the volume of crimes compared to the first 6 months of the previous year.

Officers reported that figures are also down on previous month by 15, the most impactful ongoing issue remains young people in the town centre. There was a large disorder incident on 22 June with one young person arrested and a further four interviewed after the event. There is an ongoing operation to tackle these issues, and although a large group, the number committing offences is small and the police are dealing with these.

Other issues reported included use of bikes and quad bikes, the police encouraged members of the public to report all incidents so these can be escalated to other teams within the force and to target specific locations.

The Clerk provided an update on damage to Town Square furniture, the police interviewed the suspect on 3 July 2024, the offender admitted to the offence and due to his age will be referred to Youth Justice Service for a decision on punishment to be made.

16. Bolsover Town Park Consultation

Council considered the briefing note provided by Bolsover District Council in relation to the Town Park consultation, along with a concept plan and images shared at the meeting.

Officers from the District Council updated Members on the status of the park, the current position, to gain views and expectations from Members and share details of the public consultation which recently commenced at Bolsover Gala. The park is situated to the north of the town centre, as part of the Bolsover North Development, to be delivered by the development consortium. Once delivered the park will be adopted by Bolsover District Council. The concept plan aims to provide a high-quality green space for residents of the town, plans include access to the park, leisure uses, structures, green infrastructure, destination play areas, access to the countryside, an outdoor event space and other activities. It was confirmed that the District Council have engaged with statutory consultees and public consultation is in progress.

It was requested that wider consultation with local residents takes place so the community can have an input into the plans, this could include attending the next Artisan Market, hosting an exhibition at the Assembly Hall, utilising the citizen's panel and existing online forums.

9. Confirmation of Minutes

Members received the minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on Tuesday 11 June 2024.

045/24-25 RESOLVED that the minutes of the Town Council held on Tuesday 11 June 2024 are approved as a true and accurate record of the meetings and signed by the Chair.

10. To determine which items, if any, of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded

046/24-25 RESOLVED that In view of the confidential nature of agenda items to consider a resolution to exclude the press and public from the meeting in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, s1, no agenda items should be taken with the public excluded.

11. Payments for approval

Payments were presented to the Council for approval.

047/24-25 RESOLVED that payments made by the Council in June totalling £177,892.61 are approved.

048/24-25 RESOLVED that the schedule of payments presented for authorisation totalling £363,879.78 are approved for payment.

	Payments for approval at July 2024 Council Meeting		
1	Burdens	Ransome Mower	£80,130.00
2	Ward	Asbestos Removal	£216.00
3	ECUS	Watching Brief - Skatepark	£1,338.00
4	RBS Ltd	Accounts Software licence	£317.90
5	Allen & Orr Ltd	Sheathing	£185.76
6	Ritherdon & Co Ltd	CCTV cabinet - Hornscroft	£840.53
7	City Hygiene	Waste Disposal - Bainbridge	£504.20
8	Cloudy IT	IT Support	£330.78
9	NAL Plant	Bolsover in Boom - Flower Beds	£168.30
10	A Plus Medical	First Aid - July Artisan Market	£270.00
11	A Plus Medical	First Aid - Gala (Recharged)	£1,530.00
12	Creative Five	FSMA July 2024	£1,738.80
13	Creative Five	Town Trail Leaflets	£996.00
14	Amberol	Planters/Troughs	£1,074.00
15	Heron Publications	Aritsan Market Advert	£180.00
16	BDC	Removal of Trade Waste	£181.92
17	Vault	2 x CCTV Cameras - Town Hall	£987.05
18	BDC	Rats' treatment - OBYard	£45.23
19	Fire and Light	Smoke Detectors - AH	£321.60
20	National Grid	Langwith Road work on site	£1,040.38
21	Belmont	Mower Parts	£64.20
22	OSI	Stationery	£57.00
23	NAL Plant	Removal of car park barriers	£120.00
24	Assembly Hall	50+ Hub rental	£227.95
25	Shelter Maintenance Ltd	Bus Shelter Repairs	2973.60
26	N T Killingley	New Bolsover Allotment clearance	68571.28
27	Charlotte Taylor	Keys OB Yard	30.00
28	W S Electrical Projects	Moor Lane Toilet Block	3426.12
29	AMA Supplies	Cleaning Materials AH/TH	459.02
30	Maverick	Skatepark	168953.70
31	Elite Contract Clean	Moor Lane Toilet Block	444.00

32	Kone	Lift - BH	128.70
33	Kevin Goodall	Saxophonist - Artisan market	150.00
34	James Scanlan	Artisan entertainment	160.00
35	Creative Five	Posters	415.20
36	Konica Minolta	Photocopying charges	139.13
37	GWH Paving	Town Square	3933.54
38	River Hopkins	Artisan entertainment	150.00
39	Creative Five	Artisan/beach Facebook	420.00
40	DB Entertainment	Bolsover Beach Day	580.80
41	DALC	Annual Subscription	1449.09
42	Heron Publications	So Bolsover Magazine	1584.00
43	Bolsover in Bloom	Plants	17046.00
		TOTAL	£363,879.78

12. Meeting Reports

The following meeting reports were presented for consideration:

- (a) Oxcroft Management Committee
- (b) Finance Committee
- (c) Assembly Hall Trustees
- (d) Allotments Committee
- (e) Events Committee

049/24-25 RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting reports are noted.

13. Clerk's Report

The Clerk's Report and the Council Action Plan were reviewed.

- I. Cuttlefish Website Redesign - Cuttlefish are offering a free redesign to the Town Council website to bring it in line with the upcoming accessibility guidelines due in Oct 24.
Ask if we can have emails.
- II. War Memorial – quotes being obtained for clean and refurbishment work.
- III. Bolsover Boots on the Ground – Quarter 1 Report reviewed along with feedback from the Clerk.
- IV. Media Coverage in Central England Prestige – coverage of Bolsover Christmas Festival in Calendar of Events article.
- V. Stakeholder report for Citizens Advice North East Derbyshire reviewed.
- VI. Council Plan 2023-2027 Action Plan.
 - a. Installation of a Skate Park on Hornscroft Park – skate park and landscaping due to complete on 25 July, CCTV and National Grid connection 24 July. Official opening date to be confirmed with Maverick and Extreme Wheels.
 - b. Complete a Survey of Council Buildings; to include a five-year maintenance plan – no tenders received from Assembly Rooms procurement, working with Bolsover District Council to look at suitable frameworks.
 - c. Purchase of Old Bolsover Yard; provision of public toilets included on July agenda.
 - d. Complete the Transfer/Lease of Land at Stratton Gardens from the District Council – pending updates from Bolsover District Council.
 - e. Installation of Bollards on the Pedestrian Area on Cotton Street and Cenotaph – included in Bolsover District Council plans for £15m regeneration funding, pending further details and timelines.
 - f. Provision of a Community Building at the Moor Lane site – feasibility plans being prepared to review affordability.
 - g. Work with the District Council to support the delivery of the Bolsover North Development – draft Heads of Term prepared.

- h. Extend CCTV coverage around the Town – meeting to be held with Bolsover District Council to progress.
- VII. Additional items: work to replace the surfacing to the MUGA on Shuttlewood Park has commenced this week and the work to replace the steps at the Back Hills is now due to commence on Monday 22 July, this will mean a complete closure of the steps for a 4-week period.
- VIII. Bolsover Place Making Programme launched on 11 July, website and social media channels launched and media packs for use with events circulated.

050/24-25 RESOLVED to note the Clerk's Report and Council Action Plan.

14. Requests for grants

The Council considered the following grant applications:

- (a) Baby Beats – £132 per month to cover costs of hall hire at Bolsover Assembly Rooms, total amount requested £500.

051/24-25 RESOLVED that grant funding of £500 to support Baby Beats is approved.

- (b) Junction Arts - £5,000 to support the annual Bolsover Lantern Parade and delivery of the workshop programme.

052/24-25 RESOLVED that grant funding of £5,000 to support Junction Arts to deliver the annual Lantern Parade is approved.

- (c) Scouts – £1,500 First Aid provision at Bolsover Beer Festival.

053/24-25 RESOLVED that grant funding of £1,500 to support the provision of first aid to Bolsover Beer Festival is approved.

15. Planning applications

The following Planning Applications were considered at the meeting.

- (1) 24/00288/NCO Warehouse extension and ancillary offices (two storey) with new external yard, silos, chillers, substation and provision of additional car parking spaces (CHE/24/00166/FUL) at Unit 3B Seymour Link Road, Woodthorpe, Chesterfield by Chesterfield Borough Council.
- (2) 24/00276/FUL Single storey lower ground floor extension, ground floor porch extension and flat to pitched roof conversion to garage at 45 Ridgedale Road, Bolsover by Ms. Mel Shaw and Mr. Nick Scattergood.
- (3) 23/00180/OUT Outline planning application with access detail only, for mixed-use development comprising of up to 5,000 sqm of employment units, 2 retail units (total gross area approx, 3,200 sqm one being for discount food retail), a drive-thru take-out unit and up to 35 dwellings including associated parking, infrastructure and access. At Bolsover Business Park, Woodhouse Lane, Bolsover by Welbeck Estates Limited.
- (4) 23/00463/FUL Erection of 74 dwellings (including 7 affordable dwellings) and associated infrastructure, including street layout, public open space and drainage on Land to the rear of 57 to 111 Shuttlewood Road North, off Mill Lane and West of Nether View, Bolsover
- (5) 24/00219/FUL Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of 2 bed custom and self build single storey dwelling, garage to the front and rear garden building with canopy to the side of Ilmarin, Station Road, Bolsover by Mr. Mark Crowder
- (6) 24/00309/FUL To change the current usage of the building from a Roman Catholic Church to a Community Centre hosting charity shop, food bank, food pantry and charity offices. To move from F1 class to F2 and E class. Location: St Bernadettes Catholic Church 59 High Street Bolsover Chesterfield. Applicant: Mr Mark North

(7) 24/00310/FUL Change of use to Car Storage. At 28 Woodthorpe Road Shuttlewood Chesterfield S44 6RD. By Ms Parmjit Owen

054/24-25 RESOLVED to note the planning applications and submit objections to 23/00180/OUT, 23/00463/FUL and 24/00310/FUL, and submit a letter in support of planning application 24/00309/FUL to bring the charity services and offices into the town.

16. Bolsover Town Park Consultation

Agenda item 16 was dealt with following agenda item 8.

17. Bolsover North Development

Council considered the legal fees for the sale of land located off Oxcroft Lane and Longlands; £8,500.

055/24-25 RESOLVED to approve legal fees with Freeths of £8,500 for the sale of land located off Oxcroft Lane and Longlands; £5,000 to be covered by the development consortium under the Heads of Term.

18. Hornscroft Skate Park Project Update

Council reviewed the progress update report on the Hornscroft Skate Park project and considered additional expenditure to deliver the project, along with dates for the official opening of the park; April/May 2025.

056/24-25 RESOLVED to note the progress update report on the Skate Park project and approve additional costs to include; turfing the bunds a cost of £4,480.68, importing topsoil at a cost of £2,500 and improving the footpaths at a cost of £1,834.22.

19. Installation of toilets at Old Bolsover Yard

Council reviewed costings for the installation of toilets at Old Bolsover Yard.

057/24-25 RESOLVED to proceed with the installation of toilets at Old Bolsover Yard at a cost of £30,704.91.

20. Whaley Common Recreation Ground - Pitch Condition and Changing Rooms

Council considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee regarding pitches and changing rooms at Whaley Common.

058/24-25 RESOLVED to utilise the earmarked reserve fund towards providing a modular changing facility at Whaley Common, subject to consultation with residents, and to explore any match funding available.

21. Christmas Tree

Council considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee to purchase an artificial Christmas Tree for the Town Centre at a cost of £5,895, plus storage and installation costs.

059/24-25 RESOLVED to proceed with purchasing an artificial Christmas Tree for the Town Centre at a cost of £5,895.

22. To note the date of the next Meeting

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 10 September 2024 at 6.45pm at Bainbridge Hall.

Meeting closed at 8.45pm

Signed Dated