

**Minutes of the Meeting of Old Bolsover Town Council**  
**Held at 6.45pm on Tuesday 8 October 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	A	Cllr. J.M. Rushby
P	Cllr. M. Cresswell	P	Cllr. A. Taylor
P	Cllr. D. Hales	P	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)  
Representative from Extreme Wheels  
9 members of the public

**1. To receive apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Rushby.

**2. To consider a Variation of Order of Business**

No requests for a variation of order of business received.

**3. Declaration of Members Interests**

There were no declarations of interests received.

**4. Public Speaking**

Matters raised:

- Request for an update on The Oxcroft Centre; it was confirmed a meeting is due to take place with the Coal Industry Social Welfare Organisation (CISWO) this week to discuss the site.
- Request for an update on the £15m regeneration funding; it was advised that Bolsover District Council are waiting for an update from central government.
- Request for an update on the community building at Moor Lane; it was reported that the Council have reviewed the feasibility studies and are looking at options for a more affordable build.
- Thanks were expressed for the work to kerb stones, improving the safety of pedestrians on Cotton Street.
- The Clerk reported that the lamp post with street signage at the entrance to Cotton Street was damaged beyond repair by a lorry earlier today. DCC Highways have been informed and attended this afternoon to make safe, pending a full replacement.

An officer from Extreme Wheels was in attendance to answer questions on Extreme Wheels provision and plans for 2025-2026, and shared the following updates:

- Extreme Wheels have been working with young people on Hornscroft Park since 2005, so know many of the young people who attend regularly.
- The skate park was installed over the summer, this has been extremely well received, with a significant reduction in antisocial behaviour.
- Numbers on the skate park over the summer sessions have varied, ranging from 41 to 104, covering a wide age range. This has provided the opportunity to educate all on skate park etiquette and safety.

- 2025-2026 proposals include continuing weekly sessions on the park, moving inside during the winter period.
- There are also plans to showcase the park and local talent at the skate jam, the official opening of the park, and at Bolsover Gala. If successful, the skate jam will become an annual event.

#### **5. Chair's Announcements**

The Chair had no further updates.

#### **6. County Councillors' Report**

County Councillor Joan Dixon reported on the following:

- Bolsover Library roof is currently being repaired.
- The library consultation is still open for residents to complete, library staff have reported a good response rate to date.
- New signage to be installed at the crossroads at Palterton.
- Continuing to support families and children with Special Educational Needs and Educational Health Care Plan requirements.
- Derbyshire Community Transport bus service is due to cease trading by the end of October, County Council are working with the organisation to try to resolve the situation and find operators for all existing services.
- Working with officers to deal with reports of overgrown hedges on pavements and public rights of way.

The following issues were raised for the attention of County Councillor Joan Dixon:

- Road subsidence on Clowne Road.
- Query regarding Welbeck Garden site.

#### **7. District Councillors' Report**

Councillor Donna Hales reported on the following:

- District Council have written to the minister regarding the £15m regeneration funding.
- Working with Highways to look at reducing speed on Oxcroft Lane.

Councillor Ashley Taylor reported on the following:

- Feedback from the consultation on the Bolsover and Hillstown PSPO has been reviewed, District Council plan to revise in line with feedback and reconsult on this.
- Climate Change Committee are reviewing the fly tipping policy with an aim to reduce the volume across the district and taking into consideration the reduction in opening hours of recycling centres.
- Surveys of Council properties are being completed, with reserves set aside for improvements.

#### **8. Police representation**

There was no police representation at the meeting, September 2024 crime figures were shared at the meeting, and these were reviewed.

#### **9. Confirmation of Minutes**

Members received the minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on Tuesday 10 September 2024.

**079/24-25** RESOLVED that the minutes of the Town Council held on Tuesday 10 September 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**

**080/24-25** 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, in order to discuss items 16, 18, 19 and 20.

**11. Payments for approval**

Payments were presented to the Council for approval.

**081/24-25** RESOLVED that payments made by the Council in September totalling £142,864.01 are approved.

**082/24-25** RESOLVED that the schedule of payments presented for authorisation totalling £40,151.61 are approved for payment.

<b>Payments for October Meeting</b>			
1	Creative Five	FSMA - Oct/ Artisan Facebook	£2,338.80
2	BDC	Trade Waste	£2,199.60
3	Chloe Boulton	Artisan Entertainment	£200.00
4	Assembly Hall	Rent 50+ Hub/Baby Beats	£293.95
5	NAL Plant	Building Materials	£142.50
6	Amberol	Planters/Troughs	£922.20
7	Buntings Ltd	Hedge Cutter	£22,200.00
8	Stuart Yates Decorator	Town Hall Door painting	£980.00
9	Belmont	Mower Spares	£41.04
10	Portcullis	Hornscroft Solar Tower	£337.74
11	Hayes Plant Hire	Training	£2,430.00
12	Chesterfield FC Com Trust	Boots on Ground	£6,190.00
13	Charlotte Taylor	Flowers - Oxcroft Staff	£70.00
14	Visual Graphix Ltd	CCTV Sign	£26.99
15	Screwfix/Tradeuk	Misc Screws etc	£100.06
16	Banks Skip Hire	Skips New Bol All/Oxcroft	£397.00
17	Autosupplies	Vehicle Spares	£23.66
18	AMA Supplies	Cleaning Materials AH	£248.84
19	OSI	Stationery	£57.00
20	Cloudy IT	IT Support	£330.78
21	Worknest	Insurance	£322.75
22	BDC	Licensing OB Yard	£70.00
23	Kone	Bainbridge Hall Lift	£128.70
24	Sempre Singers	Artisan Entertainment	£100.00
TOTAL			£40,151.61

## **12. Meeting Reports**

The following meeting reports were presented for consideration:

- (a) Oxcroft Management Committee
- (b) Finance Committee
- (c) Assembly Hall Trustees

**083/24-25** 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. Fireworks Event 2024 – funds will be carried forward to next year, meetings are taking place to identify a suitable location for the 2025 event.
- II. The Oxcroft Centre – meeting is due to take place with the CEO of CISWO on 9 October 2024.
- III. Upcoming Events
  - a. Saturday 9 November 2024 – The Teenage Market
  - b. Sunday 10 November 2024 – Remembrance Parade
  - c. Monday 11 November 2024 – Remembrance Day
  - d. Friday 22 November 2024 – Christmas Light Switch On & Late-Night Christmas Shopping
  - e. Saturday 30 November 2024 – Christmas Market and Lantern Parade
- IV. Derbyshire County Council Draft Council Plan 2025-29 Consultation – consultation closes on 3 November 2024.
- V. Council Plan 2023-2027 Action Plan
  - a. Installation of a Skate Park on Hornscroft Park – skate park complete, landscaping being completed, National Grid due out again on 17 October to try and complete power connection for CCTV.
  - b. Complete a Survey of Council Buildings; to include a five-year maintenance plan – initial meetings held with two contractors at Bolsover Assembly Hall, follow up visits for further investigations on George Bratt Room in progress.
  - c. Purchase of Old Bolsover Yard; provision of public toilets – works due to commence mid-November.
  - d. Complete the Transfer/Lease of Land at Stratton Gardens from the District Council – update included on October agenda.
  - e. Installation of Bollards on the Pedestrian Area on Cotton Street and Cenotaph – included in BDC plans for £15m regeneration funding, pending further details and timelines.
  - f. Provision of a Community Building at the Moor Lane site – feasibility plans prepared, Council reviewed at a meeting on 1 October, agreed to look at more affordable options to reduce potential loan requirements.
  - g. Work with the District Council to support the delivery of the Bolsover North Development – update included on October agenda.
  - h. Extend CCTV coverage around the Town – Council approved costs for monitoring at September meeting, pending agreements from Bolsover District Council.

**084/24-25** RESOLVED to note the Clerk's Report and Council Action Plan.

#### **14. Requests for grants**

The Council considered the following grant applications:

- (a) Headstocks Cinema CIC - to cover costs for room hire, equipment hire and marketing, for a monthly cinema screening from November 2024 – March 2025; £800.

**085/24-25** RESOLVED to approve a request for grant funding of £800 to Headstocks Cinema CIC for monthly cinema screenings from November 2024 – March 2025.

#### **15. Planning applications**

The following Planning Applications were considered at the meeting.

- (1) 24/00318/OUT Outline application with all matters reserved for residential development for up to five dwellings. Land To The Rear Of 20 To 26 And North Of 28 Church Road Stanfree for Castle Homes Chesterfield Ltd.
- (2) 24/00335/FUL Retention of communications Mast at 5 Brookfield Road Bolsover Chesterfield S44 6TS for Mr Mujahid Sadiq.
- (3) 24/00382/VAR Variation of Conditions 2, 3 & 4 (revised plans) of planning permission 07/00237/FUL at 2 Market Place Bolsover Chesterfield S44 6PH for Castle Homes Chesterfield Ltd.
- (4) 24/00456/TPO To fell 1 Sycamore Tree (TPO/BOL/32) at 61 Portland Avenue Bolsover Chesterfield S44 6EQ for Mr Paul Marklew.

**086/24-25** RESOLVED to note the planning applications.

#### **16. Bolsover District Council Land Updates – Bentinck Road, Carr Vale and Stratton Gardens**

*Agenda item 16 was dealt with under exempt items.*

#### **17. Approval of Expenditure for Cleaning of War Memorial**

Council considered costs to carry out a cleaning programme to the War Memorial, to include both stone and metal work, at a cost of £2,995.

**087/24-25** RESOLVED to approve expenditure of £2,995 to carry out a cleaning programme to the War Memorial, to include both stone and metal work, at a cost of £2,995, pending Local Planning Authority approval.

#### **18. Old Bolsover Yard - Update**

*Agenda item 18 was dealt with under exempt items.*

#### **19. Summary of Recommendations and Training Requirements from Staff Appraisals**

*Agenda item 19 was dealt with under exempt items.*

#### **20. Bolsover North Development Land**

*Agenda item 20 was dealt with under exempt items.*

#### **21. To note the date of the next Meeting**

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 12 November 2024 at 6.45pm at Bainbridge Hall.

*088/24-25 RESOLVED That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw.*

**16. Bolsover District Council Land Updates – Bentinck Road, Carr Vale and Stratton Gardens**

Council received an update in relation to sites at Bentinck Road, Carr Vale and Stratton Gardens.

**089/24-25 RESOLVED** to note the updates in relation to Carr Vale and Stratton Gardens.

**090/24-25 RESOLVED** to note the independent valuation for the site at Bentinck Road, Shuttlewood and accept the offer from Bolsover District Council of 8.4% or a minimum of £3,612, with Bolsover District Council to cover legal costs. Based on the valuer's recommendations, include provisions in the sale contract for appropriate uplift clauses, and ensure protection in the event that adjacent lands obtain planning permission requiring access through this site. In such cases, legally establish appropriate ransom strips

**18. Old Bolsover Yard - Update**

Council reviewed an update on Old Bolsover Yard, including tenants.

**091/24-25 RESOLVED** to note the update report on Old Bolsover Yard, including current tenants and vacancies, and to look at improving signage and lighting at the site, particularly for events.

**19. Summary of Recommendations and Training Requirements from Staff Appraisals**

To review a summary of recommendations and training requirements following the completion of the annual staff appraisals.

**092/24-25 RESOLVED** to note the summary of recommendations and training requirements from staff appraisals.

**093/24-25 RESOLVED** to approve expenditure for additional salaries and consumables, to undertake a full inspection of memorials at Oxcroft Lane Cemetery.

**20. Bolsover North Development Land**

To review an update report on the Bolsover North Development land.

**094/24-25 RESOLVED** to support displaced allotment plot holders with relocation costs, where applicable, and review options for the agricultural plot.

Meeting closed at 8.43pm

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