

**Minutes of the Meeting of Old Bolsover Town Council**  
**Held at 6.45pm on Tuesday 12 November 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
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  
2 Community Enforcement Rangers (Bolsover District Council)  
10 members of the public

**1. To receive apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received from County Councillors Joan Dixon and Mick Yates.

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

No requests for a variation of order of business received.

**3. Declaration of Members Interests**

The following declaration of interests were received.

Cllr Hales declared an interest in agenda items 14(b) and 14(d).

Cllr Jeffery declared an interest in agenda item 14(d).

Cllr R Clarke declared an interest in agenda item 22.

Cllr Reed declared an interest in agenda item 14(c).

**4. Public Speaking**

Matters raised:

- Community Enforcement Rangers reported issues with the fencing at the Back Hills following works on the site and reported that maintenance has been carried out around the conduit house to prevent further antisocial behaviour.
- Clarification around the HAF funding for agenda item 14(a); it was confirmed this is only partially funded by Old Bolsover Town Council.
- Report of machinery theft, this has been reported to the police.
- Congratulations offered on the Remembrance Parade, the poppy display at the Town Hall and the winter planting and looking forward to future events including the Christmas Market.
- Reports of overgrown hedges on Station Road; it was confirmed this has been reported to Derbyshire County Council and enforcement proceedings are due to take place.
- Request for an update on the Moor Lane community building; it was confirmed this is included on this evening's agenda.
- Query regarding S106 monies spent in Bolsover; it was confirmed a summary of monies received by Old Bolsover Town Council had been provided as requested, and the Clerk will contact Bolsover District Council for monies allocated and spent by the District Council in the parish.

- Query regarding the disposal of a Council asset; it was confirmed that a surplus mower was sold to Carr Vale Football Club for £400 in line with the Council's Financial Regulations.

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

The Chair reported that Bolsover District Council have received confirmation of the £15m regeneration funding, with £9.7m allocated for projects within Bolsover Town to include business and community hubs, public realm and shop front improvement schemes, and the purchase of the Co-op building.

The Chair also reported on upcoming events in the town including.  
 Christmas Lights Switch On and late-night shopping on 22 November 2024.  
 Bright Winter Nights at Bolsover Castle on 29 November 2024.  
 Christmas Market and Lantern Parade on 30 November 2024.

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

There were no County Councillors present.

Councillor Donna Hales shared a report on behalf of County Councillor Joan Dixon:

- Derbyshire County Council have proposed some speed reductions following data collection; the Clowne to Pleasley road will be reduced to 50mph and a 40mph speed limit will be in place around the Oxcroft Estate. Further reviews will be undertaken next year to look at speed limits on Marlpit Lane and Mooracre Lane.
- Woodhouse Lane is due to be resurfaced next year.

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

Councillor Anne Clarke reported on the following:

- As a result, in Government legislation weekly food waste collections are to be introduced by March 2026. 42,000 food collection bins are already in storage with 7 new refuse wagons for food waste collection due for delivery in 2025.
- A range of events have taken place with local schools and groups to support Bolsover Tree Planting week taking place from 23 November 2024 to 1 December 2024.
- Winners of the Councils painting competition visited Banner Box to see their creations brought to life.
- As a Chesterfield Royal Hospital partner governor representing Bolsover District Council, I am responsible for holding non-executive directors to account for the performance, along with attending meetings and site visits to support staff and identify issues and areas of concern.
- Bolsover District Council will be attending the APSE conference in Blackpool following a nomination for most improved in street cleansing team.

Councillor Ashley Taylor reported on the following:

- Bolsover District Council are applying for a 2-year extension to deliver projects under the £15m regeneration funding.

## **8. Police representation**

There was no police representation at the meeting, October 2024 crime figures were shared at the meeting, and these were reviewed. It was noted that there was an increase in occurrences of 18% year on year.

## **9. Confirmation of Minutes**

Members received the minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on Tuesday 8 October 2024.

**095/24-25** RESOLVED that the minutes of the Town Council held on Tuesday 8 October 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**

**096/24-25** 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 item 18.

## **11. Payments for approval**

Payments were presented to the Council for approval.

**097/24-25** RESOLVED that payments made by the Council in October totalling £436,175.91 are approved.

**098/24-25** RESOLVED that the schedule of payments presented for authorisation totalling £24,153.34 are approved for payment.

	<b>Payments for November Meeting</b>		
1	Freeths	Profession Fees - Bolsover North	£511.68
2	W.S. Electrical	External Lighting - Bainbridge Hall	£1,025.95
3	PPLPRS	Assembly Hall Music Licence	£290.66
4	PPLPRS	Old Bolsover Yard Music Licence	£526.27
5	Truemans Tree Services	Tree Work - Cemetery	£990.00
6	Bolsover District Council	Licensing/Rats - Assembly Hall	£367.49
7	JWL Architectural iron	Door furniture - Town Hall	£200.92
8	N T Killingley	Herbicide - Allotments	£180.00
9	AMA Cleaning	Clearing Materials - Town Hall	£72.65
10	Amazon	Stencils	£3.99
11	A Plus Medical	Artisan First Aid	£270.00
12	DALC	DALC Day x 3 places	£180.00
13	Toolstation	Post Box - Town Hall	£28.74
14	Creative Five	FSMA - November	£1,738.80
15	Portcullis	Solar Tower - Skatepark	£337.74
16	Cloudy IT	IT Support - November	£330.78
17	Bolsover Assembly Hall	Baby Beats/50+ club - Grants	£293.95
18	ADAPT Drainage Services	Bainbridge Hall Drains	£80.00
19	GWH Paving	Town Square	£4,690.86
20	Thread Architects	Town Square	£1,080.00
21	Autosupplies	Headlamp bulb	£3.31
22	Clare Dutch & English Bulbs	Winter/Spring Bulbs	£2,641.75
23	Heron Publications	Advertising	£360.00
24	Independent War Memorials	Cleaning War Memorial	£2,856.00
25	Heron Publications	Advertising	£2,034.00
26	Bolsover District Council	Rats - Oxcroft Lane	£187.09

27	Dronfield Band	Remembrance Day	£350.00
28	Premier Security Ltd	Security - Remembrance Day	£204.12
29	Bolsover Assembly Hall	Grant - Extreme Wheels Rent AH	£1,485.22
30	ADT	Fire Alarm Maintenance - AH	£335.80
31	OSI	Stationery	£98.57
32	Banks Skip Hire Ltd	Skips - Allotments	397.00
		TOTAL	£24,153.34

## **12. Meeting Reports**

The following meeting reports were presented for consideration:

- (a) Finance Committee
- (b) Assembly Hall Trustees
- (c) Personnel Committee

**099/24-25** 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. Local Government Services Pay Agreement 2024/25
- II. Enabling remote attendance and proxy voting at local authority meetings
- III. Invitation to the Grand Opening of St. Bernadette's Centre
- IV. Chesterfield to Willington Overhead Line - EIA Scoping Regulation 11 Notification and Consultation
- V. Council Plan 2023-2027 Action Plan
  - a. Complete a Survey of Council Buildings; to include a five-year maintenance plan – Miller Freeman are carrying out surveys to provide Council with high level feasibility costs, these are pending.
  - b. Purchase of Old Bolsover Yard; provision of public toilets – works due to commence this month.
  - c. Complete the Transfer/Lease of Land at Stratton Gardens from the District Council – no further updates.
  - d. 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.
  - e. Provision of a Community Building at the Moor Lane site – feasibility plans reviewed by Council continuing to review options and requirements.
  - f. Work with the District Council to support the delivery of the Bolsover North Development – no further updates.
  - g. Extend CCTV coverage around the Town – Council approved costs for monitoring at September meeting, pending agreements from Bolsover District Council.

**100/24-25** RESOLVED to note the Clerk's Report and Council Action Plan.

*Cllr Hales declared an interest in agenda items 14(b) and 14(d) and left the meeting for these agenda items.*

*Cllr Jeffery declared an interest in agenda item 14(d) and left the meeting for this agenda item; Cllr Tooth Chaired the meeting for agenda item 14(d).*

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

The Council considered the following grant applications:

- (a) Bolsover District Council – request for £6,270 to support the Holiday Activity and Food programme (HAF) during 2025/2026.

**101/24-25** RESOLVED to approve a request for grant funding of £6,270 from Bolsover District Council to support the Holiday Activity and Food programme (HAF) during 2025/2026.

- (b) Freedom Project - request for £3,500 to continue to run the Freedom Café at Bainbridge Hall for a further 12 months.

**102/24-25** RESOLVED to approve a request for grant funding of £3,500 from the Freedom Project to continue to run the Freedom Café at Bainbridge Hall for a further 12 months.

- (c) Bolsover Pick n Mix (50+ Social Activity Hub) – request for £2,400 to continue to run weekly session at Bolsover Assembly Hall for 12 months.

**103/24-25** RESOLVED to approve a request for grant funding of £2,400 from Bolsover Pick n Mix (50+ Social Activity Hub) to continue to run weekly session at Bolsover Assembly Hall for 12 months.

- (d) Boza Youth Inc – request for £2,500 to support annual delivery of youth sessions.

**104/24-25** RESOLVED to approve a request for grant funding of £2,500 from Boz Youth Inc to support annual delivery of youth sessions.

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

The following Planning Applications were considered at the meeting.

- (1) 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 -111 Shuttlewood Road, North of Mill Lane and West of Nether View, Bolsover by Mr. Gray
- (2) 24/00118/FUL Single storey extension to the rear of 30 Longlands, Bolsover, Chesterfield by Ms. Deborah Ashley
- (3) 24/00205/FUL Ground and first floor extension to the rear of 1 Brindle Road, Stanfree by Mrs. Melloney Slater.
- (4) 24/00500/VAR Variation of Condition 2 (22/00402/FUL) substitution of house type, internal alterations and adjusted parking arrangements adjacent plots 96-102 on land South West of Brockley Wood, Oxcroft Lane, Stanfree by Mr. D. Abbott.

**105/24-25** RESOLVED to note the planning applications.

**16. Adoption of Policies and Procedures for 2024/25**

Council reviewed the Recording of Meetings Policy.

**106/24-25** RESOLVED to adopt the Recording of Meetings Policy.

**17. Summary of Allotments**

Council reviewed the summary of allotments report, noting that there is a surplus of plots across all sites currently.

**107/24-25** RESOLVED to note the Allotment Summary Report.

**18. The Oxcroft Centre Report**

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

**19. Moor Lane Business Feasibility Studies Report**

Council received an updated report following the review of business feasibility studies for a community building at Moor Lane.

**108/24-25** RESOLVED to note the Moor Lane Business Feasibility Studies Report.

**20. Hornscroft Park – Installation of power connection**

Council received an updated report on the installation of power connection to Hornscroft Park to connect CCTV.

**109/24-25** RESOLVED to approve the additional expenditure of £6,931.40 for The National Grid to complete the power connection to Hornscroft Park.

**21. Appointment of Internal Auditor for 2024/25**

To consider the recommendation from the Finance Committee for the appointment of East Midlands Audit Services as the internal auditor for the year 2024/25, at a cost of £266 plus expenses.

**110/24-25** RESOLVED to appoint East Midlands Audit Services as the internal auditor for the year 2024/25, at a cost of £266 plus expenses.

*Cllr R Clarke left the meeting for agenda item 22.*

**22. Appointment of Member to Derbyshire ALC Executive Board**

To consider the appointment of Cllr R Clarke to Derbyshire Association of Local Councils Executive Board.

**111/24-25** RESOLVED to support Cllr R Clarkes co-option to Derbyshire Association of Local Councils Board of Directors.

**23. Consider Request from St. Sebastian Archers**

To consider a request from St. Sebastian Archers to install one replacement and one additional temporary building on the Moor Lane site.

**112/24-25** RESOLVED to approve the request for St Sebastian Archers to install a replacement club cabin and additional storage container on the Moor Lane site in principle, subject to a site meeting to discuss options for locating the buildings on the site.

**24. To note the date of the next Meeting**

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

*113/24-25 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.*

**18. The Oxcroft Centre Report**

Council reviewed the Oxcroft Centre report.

**114/24-25 RESOLVED** to note the Oxcroft Centre Report.

Meeting closed at 8.27pm

Signed .....

Dated .....