

Minutes of the Meeting of Old Bolsover Town Council
Held on Tuesday 12th July 2016 at the Town Hall,
Cotton Street, Bolsover, Chesterfield

Present:

Councillor P .A. Cooper - Chair
Councillor D. Adams
Councillor T. Bagguley
Councillor T. Bennett
Councillor R. Bowler
Councillor C.P. Cooper
Councillor S. Gibbons
Councillor B. Haigh
Councillor M. Longden
Councillor R. Tooth

In attendance:

Andrew Tristram -Town Clerk
2 Members of the Public
Councillor M. Dixey (Bolsover District Council)
Councillor J. Dixon (Derbyshire County Council)

1. **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Councillor R. Hobson and Councillor J. Rushby

2. **Variation to Order of Business**

It was **RESOLVED** that items 12 – Considerations and recommendations from Finance Committee to the confidential part of the meeting.

3. **Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary and Non Disclosable Pecuniary/other Interests.**

Councillor Paul Cooper declared a non-pecuniary interest as a member of the Planning Committee at Bolsover District Council.

4. **Public Speaking**

(a) **Public**

Matters raised:

- Condition of public footpath from High Street to New Station Road.
- Overgrown pathway leading to Conduit House near Castle Lane.
- Thistles requiring cutting back near new seating on Back Hills.
- Condition of Stratton Memorial Garden.
- Plans to increase stall holders on Bolsover Market
- Proposals for closure of Bolsover Hospital and poor communication for consultation events.

b) **Police Representatives**

There was no Police present at the meeting.

(c) **County Councillors**

Councillor Joan Dixon attended the meeting.

Matters raised:

- Consultation event on potential closure of Bolsover Hospital.
- Surface Dressing along A632.
- Communities Priorities Programme – Funding investment through County Councillors in areas of local deprivation over two years.

(d) **District Councillors**

Councillor Mark Dixey attended the meeting.

Matters raised:

- Consultation on the future of Bolsover Hospital.
- Proposed new route for HS2 – Consultation Event at Bainbridge Hall.
- Vandalism and unauthorised access at Sherwood Lodge.
- Land around Sherwood Lodge and lack of lighting at night.
- Negotiations regarding the future of the former District Council Offices site.
- Vale Park Consultation Event.
- Positive outcome of District Council Treasury report.
- Joint Partnership Company being set up with North East Derbyshire District Council to build social housing.
- Drainage issues on Piano Row.

Councillor T. Bennett asked if there was a list of land within the Council ownership that could be circulated to members.

(e) **Town Councillors**

Councillor D. Adams asked if the Market could be put on the next Council meeting Agenda and a meeting arranged with market traders before the meeting.

Councillor Adams suggested that the Town Clerk's report include an update on projects and ongoing matters and that the workforce report only needs to report on exceptional items.

It was **RESOLVED** that the updates are brought to Council as part of the Town Clerk's Report and that the workforce report only needs to report on exception items as part of the Town Clerk's Report.

Councillor Bowler informed members that Steve Brunt attended the last Parish Council Liaison Group Meeting and asked if the Town Council would like big clean ups on a regular basis. The next clean-up is being organised to take place on 24th and 25th September.

Councillor Tooth congratulated Steve Brunt and his team on their work on the flower beds.

5. **Confirmation of Minutes**

Resolved That the minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on Tuesday 14th June 2016 and the minutes of the Finance Meeting held on Thursday 7th July 2016 are duly accepted as a true and accurate record.

6. **To determine which items, if any, from part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded**

No further items were raised.

7. **Chair's Announcements**

None

8. **Payments for Approval**

A list of payments for May 2016 were presented. It was **RESOLVED** that the expenditure for May of £42,047.10 is approved.

9. **Vale Park Play Area**

Members discussed the proposed location of the Multi Use Games Area on Castle Leisure Park by Bolsover District Council.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk contacts Bolsover District Council to express concerns about the location of the MUGA on Castle Leisure Park and inform them of the results from polls carried out by the Town Council indicating that the majority of residents would prefer for this to be located on Vale Park.

10. **Active Communities Programme 2016/17**

Members were informed of the Active Communities Programme facilitated by the Sports Development Team at Bolsover District Council. The package maps out existing infrastructure of buildings, green areas and multi-use play areas; existing activities and clubs and looks at demographic data. The project will submit proposals for new activities and suggest how funding could be utilized including open play sessions, walking football etc. The package will also provide promotional material, staff to deliver sessions, mentoring for community volunteers and provide an evaluation report. The District Council are seeking a contribution of £1,000 from the Town Council towards the £2,500 cost of the programme.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Town Council support the programme and make a contribution of £1,000 towards the cost.

11. **Byelaw for Good Rule and Government**

Members discussed a model byelaw that could be implemented in the area to deal with a number of issues including parking/driving on pavements/verges and interference with lifesaving equipment.

It was **RESOLVED**

- (i) that the Council write to Bolsover District Council requesting that they implement this model Byelaw; and

- (ii) that consideration is given to delegating powers to issue penalty notices by employees of the Town Council.

12. **Consideration of Recommendations from the Finance Committee**

This item was deferred to the confidential part of the meeting.

13. **Town Clerk's Report**

(a) **Update on Food and Drink Festival**

The Clerk provided an update on the forthcoming food and drink festival. A request was made for volunteers to help on the day.

(b) **2017 Events**

It was **RESOLVED** that the Council confirm continued financial support for the Food and Drink Festival and Christmas Festival for 2017 and agree dates of 22nd/23rd July 2017 for the Food and Drink Festival and 25th November 2017 for the Christmas Festival.

(c) **Request for Grants**

It was **RESOLVED**

- (i) to make a grant to Freedom Community project to cover the cost of hiring rooms at Bainbridge Hall for a further 12 months.
- (ii) to make a grant to Freedom Community project to cover the cost of hiring the main hall at Bainbridge Hall from 20th July to end of August to provide children's activities and for their client support team to advise parents.
- (iii) to make a grant to cover the cost of the main hall at Bainbridge Hall for the Tots and Toddlers group on a Tuesday morning for a further six months.

14. **Planning Matters**

Councillor Paul Cooper did not take part in discussion of planning applications due to his role as a member of the Planning Committee at Bolsover District Council.

- (1) 16/00259/FUL Proposed two storey rear extension and single storey conservatory at 61 Sandhills Road, Bolsover, Mrs. Emma Glidewell

Resolved No objections

- (2) 16/00277/TCON To fell 'London Plane' tree on pavement to rear of 27 Langwith Road, Re-instate pavement and re-plant with a standard size tree at New Station Road by Mr. Mark Wilson.

Resolved No objections. Suggest tree is planted further down New Station Road.

- (3) 16/00280/FUL Conversion into 2 studio apartments at 6 Main Street, Carr Vale by Mr. David Palmer

Resolved No objections

- (4) 16/00281/FUL Conversion into 2 studio apartments at 8 Main Street, Carr Vale by Mr. David Palmer

Resolved No objections

(5) 16/00281/FUL Conversion into 2 studio apartments at 14 Main Street, Carr Vale by Mr. David Palmer

Resolved No objections

15. **Items for Information**

Members received and **NOTED** the items received for information.

16. **Town Council Workforce Report**

Members received and **NOTED** the Workforce Report for June 2016.

A request was made for the workforce to look at weeds growing on the wall at the Town End/Hornscroft Road entrance to Hornscroft Park.

17. **To receive any other items for information only and items to be included on the next Agenda**

None.

18. **To note the date of the next meeting**

The next Town Council meeting was confirmed for Tuesday 6th September at 6.45pm

19. **Confidential Items**

It was **RESOLVED** that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable in the public interest that press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

Meeting Closed 9.13 pm

Signed

Dated