

Minutes of the Meeting of Old Bolsover Town Council
Held on Tuesday 6th September 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 J. Rushby

In attendance:

Andrew Tristram -Town Clerk
9 Members of the Public
Councillor S Statter (Bolsover District Council)
Councillor J. Dixon (Derbyshire County Council)

Presentations were made at the beginning of the meeting to three community groups who had been selected to receive cheques of £150 each from the proceeds of the Charity Day Raffle. Representatives from the Parish Church and the Bainbridge Hall Tots and Toddlers group attended the meeting and were presented with their cheque by the Town Mayor, Councillor Pat Cooper. Bolsover Inner Wheel Group were named as the third group to receive a share.

1. **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Councillor B. Haigh, R. Hobson M. Longden and Councillor R. Tooth

2. **Variation to Order of Business**

It was **RESOLVED** to move item 8 – Approval of authorised absence to the confidential party 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 and Councillor Rose Bowler declared a non-pecuniary interest as a member of the Licencing Committee at Bolsover District Council.

4. **Public Speaking**

(a) **Public**

Matters raised:

- Support for flagpole in the Cenotaph area.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Council support the proposal for a flagpole to be installed.

- Request for use of gazebos, tables and chairs together with use of electricity for Halloween event on Sunday 29th October to raise money for the new Cancer Centre at Chesterfield Royal Hospital.

It was **RESOLVED** that permission is granted.

- Petition in Market Place to support Bolsover Hospital

b) **Police Representatives**

There was no Police representative present at the meeting.

(c) **County Councillors**

Councillor Joan Dixon attended the meeting.

Matters raised:

- Recent surface dressing of roads.
- Impact of proposed changes to Bus Service.
- Footpath cleared by members of the public.
- Condition of Snipe Bog (owned by Welbeck Estate)
- Update on Community Priorities Programme funding.

The Chair was thanked for coming to the meeting of Whaley Village Residents' Association.

(d) **District Councillors**

Councillor Sue Statter attended the meeting.

Matters raised:

- Government Consultation on new funding distribution from Non Domestic Rates.
- Current Boundary Commission Review.

(e) **Town Councillors**

Councillor Adams thanked the Clerk, Chair and Vice Chair for the Food and Drink Festival.

5. **Confirmation of Minutes**

Resolved That the minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on Tuesday 12th July 2016 and the minutes of the Finance Meeting held on Friday 2nd September 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. **Approval of Authorised Absence**

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

9. **Payments for Approval**

A list of payments for June and July 2016 were presented. It was **RESOLVED** that the expenditure for June of £33,011.13 and £23,595.34 for July 2016 are approved.

10. **Market**

It was **RESOLVED**

- (a) to set up a Task and Finish Group to meet with the Market Traders and report back to Council with proposals to generate more interest in the market.
- (b) that the Task and Finish Group comprises of Councillor Adams, Councillor Gibbons and Councillor Rushby.

11. **Whaley/Henton Memorial Hall**

It was **RESOLVED** to defer this item to the next Council Meeting.

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

(a) **Financial Regulations**

Members reviewed the Financial Regulations and considered amendments to bring them in line with the Model Regulations from the National Association of Local Councils.

It was **RESOLVED** that the amendments to the Financial Regulations are approved.

(b) **Electronic Bank Payments**

It was **RESOLVED** that the Council make electronic bank payments to suppliers wherever possible and that:

- (i) the form to authorise payments is approved
- (ii) the form authorising each payment is signed by two Councillors and the Town Clerk/RFO.
- (iii) payments are only made to suppliers who have provided their bank details in writing.

(c) **Bank Accounts**

It was **RESOLVED** that Bank Accounts are opened for the following Charities administered by the Council and Councillor Pat Cooper, Councillor R. Bowler, Councillor S. Gibbons and Councillor R. Tooth are appointed as signatories.

- (i) King George V Playing Field
- (ii) Bolsover Social Welfare Centre and Recreation Grounds
- (iii) Stanfree and Shuttlewood Recreation Grounds.

(d) **Repairs to Heating System at Assembly Hall**

The Clerk reported that due to the urgency of the work it had been **AGREED** with the Chair prior to the meeting that the quote should be accepted to allow the work to be completed without further delay.

It was **RESOLVED** that this decision is noted.

(e) **Christmas Lighting**

It was **RESOLVED** that the current scheme is extended within the budget agreed by Council and that the solar powered Christmas Trees for the wall brackets are included in the project for the forthcoming year.

13. **Town Clerk's Report**

(a) **Request from Employee to Join Cyclescheme**

It was **RESOLVED** that the Council offer employees the opportunity to participate in the Cyclescheme.

(b) **Memorial Benches**

It was **RESOLVED** that the fees and charges for supplying and installing memorial benches at Oxcroft Lane Cemetery are approved.

(c) **Defibrillators**

Members were informed that the two defibrillators have been installed outside the Assembly Hall and Bainbridge Hall and are fully operational. Training is being arranged for elected members and members of the community.

It was **RESOLVED** that this information is noted.

(d) **Official Opening – Backhills Project**

Members were informed of an event to officially open the Backhills following the completion of improvements to the area and the restoration of the Conduit Houses on Saturday 1st October from 12 noon to 2pm.

It was **RESOLVED** that this information is noted.

(e) **Other Updates**

The Clerk provided updates for members.

It was **RESOLVED** that this information is noted.

(f) **External Audit**

The Clerk reported that the External Audit by Grant Thornton LLP has been completed. The Auditors have confirmed that the information in the annual return is in accordance with the proper practices and no matters have come to their attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislations and regulatory requirements have not been met. The completed annual return is available on the website for members of the public to download and view. It has also been displayed on the Council Notice Board.

RESOLVED that the information is noted.

(g) **Workforce Report**

Members received a report from the workforce covering July and August 2016.

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) 16/00305/ADV externally illuminated fascia signs and window posters at 9 Main Street, Carr Vale by Darren Rigby

Resolved No comments

(2) 16/00318/FUL Erection of a Magnesian limestone wall to front (not exceeding 1m high) and erection of a summer house to the front at School House, Whaley Road, Whaley, by Mr and Mrs. Kevin Clarke

Resolved No comments.

(3) 16/00329/FUL Erection of 2 two storey semi-detached dwellings with parking under a central archway on north west side of Jaquest Promotions, 21 Station Road, Bolsover by Mrs. P. Jaquest.

Resolved Leave to District to determine application taking into account the comments from the Conservation Officer.

(3) 16/00346/FUL Formation of ramp for disabled access to front of 21 Market Place, Bolsover by Chris Christopher

Resolved Leave to District to determine application taking into account the comments from the Conservation Officer.

(4) 16/00366/FUL Single storey side extension at 45 Moor Lane, Bolsover by Smith

Resolved The Council support the application.

(5) 16/00381/FUL Formation of additional shop front door and internal alternations to for separate shop unit at 9 Station Road, Bolsover by Mr and Mrs. Pearson

Resolved No objections.

(6) 16/00384/FUL Extension to existing storage warehouse at 2 Riverside Way, Bolsover by Autosupplies (Chesterfield) Ltd by David Clarke

Resolved No objections.

(7) Planning Appeal by Mr. Steve Botham – Application No 16/00076/OUT at Land East of 28 Church Road, Stanfree. Planning Inspectorate Reference APP/R1010/W/16/3155405

The Council noted the above appeal.

15. **Items for Information**

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

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

None.

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

The next Town Council meeting was confirmed for Tuesday 11th October at 6.45pm

18. **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 8.51 pm

Signed

Dated