Minutes of the Meeting of Old Bolsover Town Council
Held on Tuesday 12th June 2012 at the Town Hall,
Cotton Street, Bolsover, Chesterfield

Present:  Councillor T. Rodda – Chair
          Councillor J. Woodhead – Vice Chair
          Councillor L. Anderson
          Councillor D. Bratt
          Councillor C.P. Cooper
          Councillor P.A. Cooper
          Councillor B. Haigh
          Councillor M. Reed
          Councillor R. Reed
          Councillor R. Tooth

In attendance:  Mr Andrew Tristram -Town Clerk
               43 Members of the Public
               PCSO Nicola Greenfield (part)

1. **Apologies for Absence**

   Apologies were received from Councillor Rushby and Councillor Longden.

2. **Variation to Order of Business**

   Councillor Woodhead moved and Councillor Anderson seconded that item 6 on the Agenda be taken as the next item of business. Members **AGREED** to the variation to order of business.

6. **Questions/Statements from Members of the Public**

   A member of the public asked why the Town Council had not taken the allotment off a tenant who had been convicted of illegal activity involving allotment land, which resulted in the person being banned from keeping any avian species for a period of ten years.

   A question was also asked if members of the Council had copies of the Council’s Standing Orders.

   A large number of residents were present at the meeting with concerns about the potential loss of Green Space at Sherwood Lodge, proposed Morrisons development and the proposed Contact Centre replacing the Middle Street Car Park.

   Comments raised included:-

   - Concern about development of Sherwood Green and loss of green space.
   - Health and well being impact.
   - Loss of opportunity to study and observe plants and wildlife.
   - Impact of Morrisons Store on the Town Centre.
   - Loss of Town Centre parking on Middle Street.
   - Concerns over road safety
• Suitability of road access via Hilltop and Shuttlewood Road, particularly for large articulated vehicles.
• Turning near Methodist Church.
• Location of Morrisons’ Development.
• Loss of Bolsover District Council Offices to Clowne.
• Loss of local further education facilities in North East Derbyshire.

Members of the public present were informed that the Town Council had received no direct consultation on the plans and Councillors had been consulted in the same way as the general public.

Council informed members of public present of the comments that were submitted following discussions at the May Council Meeting.

Another member of the public made Council aware of a petition to the County Council for Cycle Lanes. The Clerk provided information on the work that was being proposed by the County Council to improve the route for pedestrians, cyclists and pushchair access across Castle Fields linking the Castle Estate to the School at New Bolsover.

Access issues on Bridal Road were raised again at the meeting as the situation had not improved.

The Chair thanked the members of the public for their attendance.

Councillors were invited to a meeting of the save Sherwood Green Group on Wednesday 4th July at 7.30pm at the North Star Club.

3. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

4. **Confirmation of Minutes**

The Clerk asked that members considered the following amendment to the minutes:-

**Item 11 “Appointment of Town Council Representatives on Outside Bodies**

Assembly Hall – Councillor T. Rodda, Councillor D. Bratt
Bainbridge Hall – Councillor J. Rushby, Councillor R. Tooth
Henton Memorial Hall – Councillor M. Longden”

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 12th June 2012, with the amendments shown above, were proposed, seconded and duly accepted as a true and accurate record.

5. **Matter Arising – Updating Information**

**Langwith Road Cemetery** – Rubbish had been cleared by the District Council, who are responsible for the Cemetery. It had been noticed that rubbish was being left again in the same location. The Clerk was asked to report this to the District Council and request a permanent bin to be put on the site and emptied regularly.

**Item 10 (4) Town Improvement Committee** – It was **AGREED** that the Council establish a working group for Town Improvements. All Councillors are invited to contribute. Members can
submit items for inclusion on a Wish List to the Town Clerk. The Group will meet on Monday 25th June, following the Finance Committee Meeting.

7. **Police Matters**

PCSO Nicola Greenfield was present at the meeting but had to leave before this item was considered.

8. **Chair’s Announcements**

There were no announcements by the Chair.

9. **Election of Management/Trustee Representatives**

This item was dealt with by an amendment to the minutes in item 4 of this Agenda.

10. **Finance**

A list of payments made for April 2012 was presented. It was **RESOLVED** that the payments totalling £48,903.39 are approved.

11. **Town Clerk’s Report**

(1) **Bolsover Camera Club – Diamond Jubilee**

A request for support was considered. It was **RESOLVED** that a contribution of £50 be made to help with the cost of providing the CD containing images. It was **AGREED** that the Town Clerk would investigate if the Council’s website was suitable to receive the images without further cost to the Council and to discuss this with the Camera Club. The Council was unable to consider free or reduced cost for using the Assembly Hall as the Centre is run by a separate Charity and Management Committee.

(2) **Poppy Appeal**

A request from the Community Fundraiser of the Royal British Legion for the council to provide storage facilities for the poppies was considered. It was **RESOLVED** that the Town Council would provide space at the Town Hall for storage during the Poppy Appeal period at no charge. This was conditional on agreement between the organisers and the Town Council on access during normal office hours, avoiding times when the Council Chamber is booked for meetings.

(3) **Freedom Community Project – (Bolsover Methodist Church)**

Council considered a request from the Freedom Community Project to hold a fun day as part of their Community Week on Saturday 11th August 2012.

It was **RESOLVED** that permission is granted, subject to the organisers providing the Town Clerk with information on their insurance, risk assessments, safeguarding and stewarding for the event and that the site is left clean after the event.

(4) **Yorkshire Water – Support for Floral Displays**

The Council acknowledged and thanked Yorkshire Water for their contribution of £1,000 to purchase floral displays in the Town.
A Councillors Guide to the History and Mystery of Public Rights of Way

It was **RESOLVED** that the Town Clerk attends the event and provides feedback to the Council and that Councillor C.P. Cooper and Councillor P. Cooper also attend at their own expense.

Council Offices Redevelopment

Council were informed of correspondence between the Town Council and the District Council to ensure that suitable access is retained for the workshop at our Depot.

Olympic Milestone Project

Members were updated on the progress of the Olympic Milestone Project and plans for an unveiling ceremony on the 9th September, to coincide with the Olympic Closing Ceremony.

Castle Fields Greenway Proposal

Council considered a request by Derbyshire County Council for permission to provide a 2.5m path across the land on Castle Fields to provide access from the Castle Estate to the School at New Bolsover.

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

Membership of the Bolsover Town Team

A proposal from a group of local businesses to form a Town Team in order to apply for funding for a Portas Pilot was discussed. The Council were encouraged that traders were getting together and supported the initiative. Councillor T. Rodda was nominated to endorse the final bid on behalf of the Council, subject to being in agreement with the proposals and clarity on who would administer the funding.

Street Sports

Members were updated on the Street Sports Initiative that was sponsored by the Town Council.

Bolsover Lantern Parade

Members considered the request for financial support towards the Christmas Festival and Lantern Parade. It was **RESOLVED** that the decision is deferred until more information on the event is received.

Castle FM Project

A request had been received to hold a Roadshow Event to promote a not for profit community radio station on the Hornscroft Park in Spring/Summer 2013. It was **AGREED** that the Town Clerk obtains further information for Council to consider.

Olympic Celebrations – Flag Parade

IT was **AGREED** that the Town Clerk obtains further information on the arrangements for the Flag Parade and circulates this to Councillors.
12. **Planning Matters**

Councillor T Rodda stated that as a member of the Bolsover District Council’s Planning Committee he would take no part in the debate or vote. Cllr. J. Woodhead, Council Vice Chair in the Chair (excluding item 3, Councillor Woodhead left the room and Councillor Anderson in the Chair)

1.  12/00218/TRTRO Retention of land for keeping horses, retention of shed and stables on land adjacent to 2 Mansfield Road, Oxcroft Estate, Clowne

   **Resolved** No objections.

2.  12/00222/TPO Cut back branches of TPO BOL/32 at 10 Cavendish Road, Bolsover by Susan Ward

   **Resolved** No objections.

3.  12/00227/FUL Change of use from shop with flat to a single house at 1 Main Street, Carr Vale, by Kevin Marchant

   **Resolved** No objections – application supported.

At 9pm it was **RESOLVED** that Standing Orders are suspended in order to conclude the final items on the Agenda.

13. **DALC Circulars**

The meeting received and **NOTED** the following circulars from DALC:

**Circular 20/2012**

1. Early Day Motion on Planning Appeals and the Planning Applications (Appeals by Town and Parish Councils) Bill

**Circular 21/2012**

4. Elvaston Parish Council – Vacancy for Clerk/RFO.

**Circular 22/2012**


**Circular 23/2012**

1. DALC Further Training – A Neighbourhood Plan.
Circular 24/2012

1. Freedom of Information Request – Braille – Audio
3. NALC Consultation – Funding Arrangements for Localising Support for Council Tax.

Circular 25/2012


Circular 26/2012

DALC Training

1. General Power of Competence
2. Derbyshire County Training Partnership – CiLCA Training
3. Good Councillor Course.

Circular 27/2012

New Standard Regime – Code of Conduct for Parish/Town Councils

Circular 28/2012

1. Appointment of New Chief Officer.
3. Plan for Auditor Procurement
4. Audit Return – 2011/2012
5. Membership of DALC.

Circular 29/2012

DALC President – 2012/2013

14. **Items for Information**

The meeting received and NOTED the correspondence received.

15. **Management Reports**

   (a) **Bainbridge Hall Management Committee**

   No minutes or reports were received under this item of business.

   (b) **Bolsover Assembly Hall Meeting**
No minutes or reports were received under this item of business.

(c) **Henton Memorial Hall**

No minutes or reports were received under this item of business.

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