

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL OF BOURNE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 28<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2026 at 7:00PM AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, 3 ABBEY ROAD, BOURNE**

**Present: Chair Cllr C Pattison**

<b>Councillors</b>	P Fellows	H Crawford	B Johnson
	A Kelly	R McKinney	S Mallett
	Z Lane	B Baricz Hughes	J Brough

(Recorded by Deputy Clerk)

**25/098 To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence.**

Proposed by Cllr Z Lane, seconded by Cllr R McKinney and unanimously.

**RESOLVED:** To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence  
**Cllrs N Oglesbee, R Baker.**

**25/099 To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with The Localism Act 2011.**

None.

**25/100 To consider requests for Dispensation.**

None

**25/101 To ask if members of the public, resident or employed within this Parish, Have any intention to speak under any Agenda items of this meeting (this will be to a maximum of 3 minutes).**

There were no public present.

**25/102 To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2026 as a true record and to resolve for the Chair to sign them.**

Proposed by Cllr S Mallett, seconded by Cllr J Brough. 3 abstentions recorded.

**RESOLVED:** To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2026 as a true record and to resolve for the Chair to sign them.

**25/103 To receive reports, if any, by District/County Councillors or representatives On other Organisations.**

Cllr K Redfern reported that the pothole near McDonalds has been repaired. Drains on Abbey Road have been cleared. Elsea Park – yellow lines near the school, Sandown Drive near community centre have been approved.

Cllr H Crawford asked Cllr Redfern to investigate getting the path repaired opposite Abbey Road Primary School along with the water leak near the substation

Cllr S Woolley has re reported the pool of water outside boots on West Street. Mill Drove – potholes at the bottom near the bridge and Meadow Drove junction have been filled. Weight restriction is being considered.

**25/104 To answer questions from Councillors.**

Cllr P Fellows asked for a update from the HR Committee. The Chair agreed for this question to be discussed in close session.

- 25/105 To receive the Notes/Minutes of the Standing Committees**  
**a) Highways & Planning 17<sup>th</sup> February 2026 – 0 recommendations made outside delegated powers**  
**b) Highways & Planning 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026 – 0 recommendations made outside delegated powers**
- Proposed by Cllr R McKinney, seconded by Cllr J Brough and unanimously.  
**RESOLVED: To receive on block.**  
 Proposed by Cllr R McKinney, seconded by Cllr J Brough and unanimously.  
**RESOLVED: To receive the Notes/Minutes of the Standing Committees**
- 25/106 Correspondence for approval.**
- Proposed by Cllr H Crawford, seconded by Cllr R McKinney and unanimously.  
**RESOLVED: In the absence of Cllr Baker this item was deferred until members have seen a final copy of the letter.**
- 25/107 Approve signatories.**
- The Deputy Clerk informed members that signatories for the Mayoral Account need updating.
- Proposed by Cllr B Johnson, seconded by Cllr H Crawford and unanimously.  
**RESOLVED: Approve Deputy Clerk E Hildebrant, Cllr R McKinney, Cllr N Oglesbee as signatories.**
- 25/108 Meeting Dates**
- The Deputy Clerk issued members with a draft of meeting dates for 26/27. Discussions were had around the structure of BTC meetings. Members agreed further debate was needed around the potential of restructuring council meetings.
- 25/109 Vote to exclude the press and public from agenda item 13 and to exclude details of the debate from the public minutes for reasons of commercially, legally or personally sensitive information under the provisions of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to information) Act 1985**
- Proposed by Cllr A Kelly, Seconded by Cllr R McKinney and unanimously.  
**RESOLVED: To exclude press and public.**
- 25/110 Discuss plans for the BTC Office.**
- Members discussed the options available.
- 25/111 To discuss any such business, which the Chair may legally bring to the Committee's attention.**
- Cllr C Pattison informed members of his decision to step down from BTC at the Annual Meeting.
- Due to there being no further items to discuss the Chair brought the meeting to a close at 21:16hrs.*