

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE OF  
BOURNE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 17<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2026 at 7:00PM AT THE COUNCIL  
OFFICES, 3 ABBEY ROAD, BOURNE**

**Present: Chair Cllr R McKinney**

<b>Councillors</b>	P Fellows	B Johnson	A Kelly
	Z Lane	N Eveleigh	
	J Brough	B Baricz Hughes	

(Recorded by Deputy Clerk)

**3043F To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence.**

Proposed by Cllr N Eveleigh, seconded by Cllr Z Lane and unanimously.

**RESOLVED:** To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence  
**Cllrs C Pattison, H Crawford, S Mallett, N Oglesbee, R Baker**

**3044F To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with The Localism Act 2011.**

None

**3045F To consider requests for Dispensation.**

None

**3046F 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).**

None present.

**3047F To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2026 as a true record and  
to resolve for the Chair to sign them.**

Proposed by Cllr P Fellows, seconded by Cllr N Eveleigh. 1 abstention recorded.

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

**3048F To receive reports, if any, by District/County Councillors or representatives  
On other Organisations.**

None

**3049F To answer questions from Councillors.**

None received

**3050F Approve the request from BUC to issue a letter of recommendation for the  
application of a heritage sign for the Red Hall.**

Proposed by Cllr B Johnson, seconded by Cllr J Brough and unanimously.

**RESOLVED:** To issue the letter of recommendation prepared by the Deputy Clerk for the  
application of a heritage sign for the Red Hall.

**3051F To adopt the period trial balance, accounts for payment for months (10) January & (11) February and bank reconciliation to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2026 (copies sent to members).**

Proposed by Cllr N Eveleigh, seconded by Cllr P Fellows and unanimously.

**RESOLVED:** To adopt the period trial balance, accounts for payment for months (10) January & (11) February and bank reconciliation to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2026.

**3052F Vote to exclude the press and public from agenda items 10, 11, 12, 13 & 14 and to exclude the 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 P Fellows, seconded by Cllr B Baricz Hughes and unanimously.

**RESOLVED:** To exclude the press and public from agenda items 10, 11, 12, 13 & 14.

**3053F To discuss and agree the funding streams, location and timeline for The Aveland History Groups Grant Application.**

Cllr Eveleigh reported that the Elsea Park Trust are happy to support the project and BUC would welcome a formal application. Cllr R McKinney will speak to the Len Pick Trust who would also require a formal application. Ongoing discussions around location of the map once restored. Cllr B Johnson offered to contact the Repair Shop.

Proposed by Cllr J Brough, seconded by Cllr B Baricz Hughes and unanimously.

**RESOLVED:** Cllr J Brough manages the project through to completion.

**3054F To discuss CA Grant Application for 26/27 and agree subsequent annual amount to be held in reserve.**

Proposed by Cllr R McKinney, seconded by Cllr P Fellows and unanimously.

**RESOLVED:** To make a recommendation to full council of an annual grant of £10,000 with measures put in place to futureproof subsequent annual amounts.

**3055F To approve the expenses associated with the removal of the diseased boxwood bushes in the cemetery.**

Proposed by Cllr P Fellows, seconded by Cllr B Baricz Hughes and unanimously.

**RESOLVED:** To approve £3000 + vat to Garys Gardens for the removal of the diseased boxwood bushes in the cemetery.

**3056F To approve the LCC Urban Grass Cutting Plan 26/27 and any expenses associated.**

Proposed by Cllr B Johnson, seconded by Cllr B Baricz Hughes and unanimously.

**RESOLVED:** To approve the LCC Urban Grass Cutting Plan 26/27 and any expenses associated.

**3057F To discuss any such business, which the Chair may legally bring to the Committee's attention.**

None

*Due to there being no further items to discuss the Chair brought the meeting to a close at 20:00hrs.*