

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BOURNE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 14th JULY 2026 at 7:00PM AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, 3 ABBEY ROAD, BOURNE

Present: Chair Cllr P Fellows

Councillors	B Johnson	R McKinney	N Oglesbee
	J Brough	Z Lane	N Carter
	R Hills	J Phillips	

(Recorded by Deputy Clerk)

26/014 To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence.

Proposed by Cllr N Oglesbee, seconded by Cllr R McKinney and unanimously.

RESOLVED: To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence
Cllrs C Pattison, H Crawford

26/015 Elect new Town Councillors by co-option

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

RESOLVED: After a round of successful interviews, members agreed to co-opt N Carter, J Phillips and R Hills on to the town council. Vote was taken on block.

26/016 To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with The Localism Act 2011.

None

26/017 To consider requests for Dispensation.

None

26/018 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 2 members of the public present neither wishes to speak.

26/019 To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 19th May 2026 as a true record and to resolve for the Chair to sign them.

Proposed by Cllr N Oglesbee, seconded by Cllr B Johnson. 6 abstentions recorded.

RESOLVED: To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 19th May 2026 as a true record and to resolve for the Chair to sign them.

26/020 To receive reports, if any, by District/County Councillors or representatives On other Organisations.

Cllr K Redfern updated members on the following:

Footpath on Abbey Road near the school is still to be done, it is on the radar.

Potholes near the fire station – there is some dispute over who owns the section of the road. Still investigating.

There is a Cllr Community Grant - grant available to be shared in Cllr Redfern's ward. Deadline February 2027.

Cllr S Woolley updated members on the following:
Notices have been sent out re Cadent major gas works happening in Bourne during the school holidays.
Exeter Street will be close for 2 hours on Friday evening. Work completed by 10pm.
LCC have confirmed the tip will be moving over to a booking system. This will be a online and telephone booking system. SKDC will be monitoring if the booking system leads to an increase in fly tipping.

Cllr P Fellows reported that he had the pleasure of opening the Bourne Festival on Friday evening and thanked the Deputy Clerk for organising the Civic Service.

Cllr R McKinney updated members on the progress of the Neighbourhood Plan. There are outstanding issues with SKDC relating to the allocation of housing sites and the interaction between BPNP and the emerging Local Plan. Cllr Fellows suggested this be added to the next agenda. Cllr Lane asked that herself and Cllr Knowles be added into any further correspondence with SKDC.

26/021 To answer questions from Councillors.

None received

26/022 To appoint members to the Amenities, Finance and Planning Committees.

Cllr Fellows asked members to communicate this information the Deputy via email rather than make a on the spot decision at the meeting. It was agreed that terms of reference for each committee needs updating.

26/023 To discuss and agree formally requesting a TRO for Dyke.

Cllr Oglesbee informed members that he has had many residents of Dyke expressing concerns at the number of vehicles that are using Dyke as a rat run to bypass the town centre. Cllr S Woolley added that she would be happy to support this request with the addition that farm machinery, deliveries, bin lorries etc can still use the road. Cllrs agreed to assist with a traffic survey to support the claims. Cllr Woolley informed members that the Road Safety Partnership have offered to carry out an Archer Survey.

Proposed by Cllr n Oglesbee, seconded by Cllr Z Lane and unanimously
RESOLVED: To take the initial step of formalising the request of a TRO to the road through the village of Dyke with an email to Cllr Woolley to request her support. Once response is received contact LCC.

26/024 To approve correspondence regarding the deliveries on North Street.

Proposed by Cllr J Brough, seconded by Cllr Z Lane and unanimously.
RESOLVED: Letter approved to be sent to local business regarding deliveries on North Street.

To receive and adopt the arboricultural report for Holloway Avenue.

Proposed by Cllr J Brough, seconded by Cllr B Johnson. 1 abstention.
RESOLVED: To adopt the arboricultural report for Holloway Avenue and action accordingly.

26/025 To approve the Finance Committees recommendation for making repairs to the chapel roof.

Proposed by Cllr B Johnson, seconded by Cllr P Fellows and unanimously.

RESOLVED: To instruct Messenger to carry out the repairs to the chapel roof.

26/026 Vote to exclude the press and public from agenda item 15 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.

26/027 To receive and adopt plans for the BTC office and any costs associated.

Proposed by Cllr J Brough, seconded by Cllr B Johnson. 1 abstention.

RESOLVED: To receive and adopt plans for the BTC office and any costs associated.

26/028 To discuss any such information which the chair may legally bring to the Council's attention.

Due to there being no further items to discuss the Chair brought the meeting to a close at 20:11 hrs.