

BOLTON BY BOWLAND, GISBURN FOREST AND SAWLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 20 MAY 2025

HELD AT BOLTON BY BOWLAND VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 PM

Present: Cllrs A Yates (Chair) L Marsden, S Mitchell, A Murphy, Clerk and seven Members of the public

1. To receive and approve apologies for absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs H Fortune, R Veitch, S Whittaker and P Wilson

2. To receive declarations of pecuniary or personal interest

None

3. Adjournment for public session

A member of the public queried recent correspondence received by residents of Tosside regarding the installation of CCTV in the village. The Chair replied that the correspondence had not been initiated by the Parish Council and apologised for any disquiet caused in the village by the correspondence. The Chair advised that the potential installation of CCTV would be progressed by the Parish Council in the future following all appropriate procedures.

4. To resolve to confirm the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 28 April 2025

The Minutes of the meeting held on 28 April 2025 were approved and duly signed by the Chair.

5. Matters Arising not covered elsewhere on the Agenda – For Information Only

It was noted that a final decision regarding the location of grit bins would be made when more Council members were present.

6. To consider any response to be made to planning applications

No planning applications received since previous meeting

7. Accounts

To approve the bank balance as of 13 May 2025 of £68,186 Approved by all

To consider and approve any invoice payments due:

1. Mrs C A Holmes	£238.80	March 2025 salary
2. Bolton by Bowland Village Hall	£20.00	Room hire
3. LALC	£217.95	Annual subscription
4. James Waddington	£2,491.45	Lengthsman

8. To receive an update on the proposal for CCTV cameras in the village

It was agreed that this matter had been dealt with under public participation.

9. To consider the latest information available regarding the B4RN project

In the absence of Cllrs Veitch and Wilson this item was not considered.

10. Matters brought forward by members – For Information Only

Cllr Murphy reported that 167 people in the parish had been trained in basic life support over the past 12 months.

The Chair advised that SpIDs could be loaned from RVBC for a 10 day period at a small cost. It was suggested that a SpID be taken out on loan as it could show the extent of speeding in the villages which could inform a decision as to whether the Parish Council should purchase its own SpIDs.

The Chair advised that the Parish Council should consider the drafting of a community emergency plan as these were becoming increasingly expected of civic authorities. It was noted that production of such a plan would involve a great deal of commitment. Cllr Murphy noted that there were almost certainly individuals resident in the parish with appropriate skills which could be used in emergencies and it would be a useful process to identify such people.

11. Date and venue of next meeting

Monday 23 June 2025 at 7.30 pm in Tosside Community Hall