

HORWICH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Horwich Public Hall, Lee Lane, Horwich on Thursday 24 March 2025 commencing at 7.15 pm.

PRESENT Councillors: I. Aldcroft (Chair), R. Bamforth, G. Campbell,
D. Grant, K. McKeon, C. Sears,
J. Walton, P. Wright, S. Rock, V Rigby.
Town Clerk, M Brady
1 member of the public

CHAIRPERSON TO OUTLINE FIRE AND SAFETY EVACUATION PROCEDURE:
TC 4941 Councillor Aldcroft outlined the procedure.

TO REMIND MEMBERS TO MAKE A DECLARATION CONCERNING AND MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED DURING THE MEETING OF WHICH THEY MAY HAVE AN INTEREST:

TC 4942 In order to reserve the right to vote on Bolton Council's Planning Committee, where the decisions about planning would be made, Councillor Grant stated he would take part in the discussion but would abstain from voting.

TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AS PRESENTED:

TC 4943 Resolved to approve the accounts for payment amounting to £2795.20

TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AS PRESENTED:

TC 4944 Resolved to approve the accounts for payment amounting to £2795.20

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MEETING OF THE PUBLIC CONSULTATION WORKING PARTY HELD ON THE 9 APRIL 2025;

TC 4945 Resolved to approve the minutes and recommendations of the Public Consultation Working Party held on the 9 April 2025.

TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AS PRESENTED:

TC 4946 Resolved to approve the accounts for payment amounting to £2795.20

Payee	Summary	Amount
Blacksheep Business Communications*	Phone/internet 01/02/25 – 30/04/25	34.94
Greater Manchester Pension Fund	Pension contributions April	2204.24
HM Revenue & Customs**	PAYE Month 12	556.02

Payments marked * were made by direct debit, ** authorised out of committee.

TO DISCUSS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO BOLTON COUNCIL ON THE PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR THE PARISH (TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 SCHED 1, PARA 8):

TC 4947 20163/25

PARAGON BUSINESS PARK, CHORLEY NEW ROAD, BL6 6HG
ERECTION OF A USE CLASS E FOODSTORE WITH NEW VEHICULAR ACCESS/EGRESS TO DE HAVILLAND WAY, NEW INTERNAL VEHICULAR ACCESS ROAD, CAR PARKING, SERVICING AREA AND HARD AND SOFT LANDSCAPING: ALONGSIDE PART DEMOLITION OF EXISTING OFFICE BUILDING ANNEX AND CONSTRUCTION OF A REPLACEMENT BUILDING ELEVATION AND CAR PARKING PROVISION.

Resolved to recommend refusal due to concerns about traffic particularly at access and egress points.

7 for, 2 abstentions.

20014/25

OLD STATION PARK BUILDINGS, ST JOHN ST, HORWICH, BL6 7NY
VARIATION OF CONDITIONS 2 (SURFACE WATER DRAINS), 6 (MATERIALS), 7 (PARKING), 10 (SCHEME OF VEHICLE PARKING/CIRCULATION AREAS), 12 (ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING POINT), 13 (APPROVED PLANS), ON APPLICATION 11878/21 AND 17861/24.

Resolved to recommend approval.

7 for, 1 abstention.

19947/25

1 NEW CHAPEL LANE, BL6 6NP
ERECTION OF A SINGLE STOREY FRONT EXTENSION AND REMOVAL OF EXISTING DETACHED GARAGE.

Resolved to recommend approval.

8 for, 1 abstention.

19954/25

TESCO STORES LTD, MANSELL WAY, BL6 6JS
INSTALLATION OF A PERMANENT FREESTANDING CONTAINER FOR
HOT FOOD TAKEAWAY,
FINISHED IN DARK BLUE WITH AN ATTACHED CANOPY FINISHED IN
GOLD.

Resolved to recommend approval 8 for, 1 abstention.

19928/25

6 WHITEHORSE CLOSE, BL6 7DQ
ERECTION OF A SINGLE STOREY SIDE EXTENSION TOGETHER WITH
INSTALLATION OF PITCHED ROOF TO THE EXISTING-STOREY FLAT-
ROOFED REAR EXTENSION. CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW CAR PARK.

Resolved to recommend approval.

8 for, 1 abstention.

19922/25

14 THE HAMLET, BL6 4QT.
RETROSPECTIVE CONSENT FOR ERECTION OF A SINGLE STOREY
FRONT EXTENSION AND ERECTION OF A SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION
TO THE EXISTING OUTBUILDING.

Resolved to recommend rejection due to uncertainty regarding land ownership
and protection of trees.

6 for, 3 abstentions.

BOLTON COUNCIL PLANNING DECISIONS IN HORWICH: FOR
INFORMATION ONLY:

TC 4948 Resolved to note.

CORRESPONDENCE (EMAILED TO ALL COUNCILLORS) AND OTHER
PLANNING MATTERS – FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

TC 4949 Resolved to note the correspondence.

TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL AS
8 MAY 2025, IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE ANNUAL MEETING:

TC 4950 Resolved to confirm the date of the next meeting of the Town Council as
8 May 2025.

The meeting closed at 7.27pm.

Chair Date.....

