

HORWICH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Horwich Public Hall, Lee Lane, Horwich on Thursday 18 September 2025 commencing at 7.15 pm.

PRESENT Councillors: V. Rigby (Chair), I. Aldcroft, S. Burke, G. Campbell, S. Chadwick, D. Grant, S. Rock, J. Scoble, P. Wright, S. Williamson, J Walton, C, Moncado Sears.
Town Clerk, M. Brady.
2 Members of the Public.

CHAIRPERSON TO OUTLINE FIRE AND SAFETY EVACUATION PROCEDURE:

TC 4957 Councillor Rigby outlined the procedure.

TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND NOTE THE REASONS:

TC 4958 Apologies were received and noted from Councillors Bamforth and McKeon.

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

TC 4959 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 that he would take part in the discussion but would abstain from voting.
Councillor Chadwick declared an interest in the RMI Social Club.

TO RECEIVE THE QUARTERLY REPORT FROM INTERNAL AUDIT TO THE PERIOD ENDING 30 JUNE 2025:

TC 4960 The Quarterly Report from the Internal Audit for the Period ending 30 June 2025 was received.

TO APPROVE THE QUARTERLY STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS TO THE PERIOD ENDING 30 JUNE 2025:

TC 4961 It was resolved to approve the Quarterly Statement of Accounts from the Internal Audit for the period ending 30 June 2025

TO NOMINATE AND APPROVE MEMBERS OF THE RMI ACQUISITION STEERING GROUP:

TC 4962 Cllr Moncado-Sears advised she wished to join the Steering Group. The Clerk advised Cllr McKeon had phoned at 5.30pm to say his car had broken down, and should he be late, asked the Clerk to relay his wish to join the Steering Group. Cllr Grant moved that Councillors Grant, Scoble and McKeon be appointed. Cllr Sears moved an

amendment to defer Cllr Grant's motion and requested a named vote be taken.

For - Moncado-Sears, Walton, Williamson (3)

Against – Aldcroft, Burke, Campbell, Grant, Rock, Scoble, Wright.(7)

Abstain – Chadwick (1)

The amendment was lost.

A vote was taken for the substantive motion that Councillors Grant, Scoble and McKeon be appointed.

For – Aldcroft, Burke, Campbell, Grant, Rock, Scoble, Wright.(7)

Against- (0)

Abstain – Chadwick, Moncado-Sears, Walton, Williamson. (4)

The motion was carried.

TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – SCHEDULE ATTACHED:

TC 4963 The Accounts for Payment were approved as presented.

Blacksheep Business Communications *	36.55
(Phone/internet 01/07/25 – 30/09/25)	
Nationwide Capital	351.00
(Quarterly rental 13/09/25 - 12/12/25 of Ricoh IMC2000)	
Leach Briely	319.20
(payroll services 01/06/25 – 31/08/25)	
HR Solutions*	173.88
Sage subscription*	112.80
<u>LGA 1972 s137</u>	
Horwich Heritage (Grant support 2025 – 26)	1500.00
Tameside MBC -GMPF **	1676.40
(Pension contributions – September)	
(EE Pension contributions – August)	344.25
HM Revenue & Customs **	1782.13
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(PAYE month 6)	

(* payment made by direct debit, ** authorised out of committee*)

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

TC 4963 20892/25 ERECTION OF SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION AT REAR

. 50 College Drive Bolton BL6 6GH

Resolved to recommend approval

20924/25 RETROSPECTIVE CONVERSION OF AN EXISTING BARN INTO
1NO. DWELLING, TOGETHER WITH AN EXTENSION TO CREATE A
FIRST FLOOR | Mill Lane Fishery Piggery and Stables Mill Lane
, Bolton BL6 6AT
Resolved to recommend refusal.

BOLTON COUNCIL PLANNING DECISIONS IN HORWICH: FOR INFORMATION
ONLY:
TC 4964 Resolved to note.

TO NOTE WRITTEN REPORTS RECEIVED FROM COUNCILLORS:
TC 4965 Resolved to note

TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE EMAILED TO ALL COUNCILLORS:
TC 4965 Resolved to note

TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
AS 23 OCTOBER 2025:
TC 4966 Resolved the date of the next Council meeting to be held at 7.15 on 23
October 2025, at the Public Hall, Horwich.

