# Bolsover Civic Society

**Minutes of the 43rd Annual General Meeting held on Friday 19th April 2024 at 7:00 pm at the Bolsover Assembly Rooms**

1. **Welcome**

The Chairman, Andrew Buckwelcomed the sixty members present.

1. **Apologies** were received from :-

Reg and Julie Tooth and John and Diane Coulson.

**3. Confirmation of the Minutes of the 42nd AGM** **held on Friday 21st April 2023**

The Minutes were confirmed and there were no matters arising.

**4. Election of Officers 2024/25:**

**Chairman:** Andrew Buck

**Vice Chairman / Treasurer**: Les Coulton

**Secretary:** Bernard Haigh

**Auditor:** Maggie Smith

**5. Election of Committee**

**The 2024/25 Committee**: Sue Hughes, Sarah Bennett, Andy Page, Brenda Pegge, Janet Woodhead, Kevin Bennett, Kieran Buck, Rita Reed

**6. Chairman’s Report**

Andrew spoke about the excellent turnout to an AGM and highlighted some of the proposed events for the coming year. He thanked all members of the Committee for their hard work over the past year. He presented flowers to Ellen Page for Ticket Sales and to Brenda Pegge for typing the Minutes for each meeting. He thanked Sue Coulton for Membership Services at the AGM and to Michelle Smith for another excellent buffet.

**7. Secretary’s Report**

Bernard started by saying how proud he was that 45 years after the Civic Society started it was still so strong in the town.

He also stated that as we will be welcoming the Town Clerk, it was relevant to highlight those many joint ventures the Society has worked together with the Town Council over the years. These included the Town End Garden, ‘Signing the Town’ Project, Back Hills Restoration and our latest Project: the new Town Trail (circulated to all members present). He finished by encouraging any member present to join the Committee, providing an opportunity to really help improve the Town.

**Unanimous Thanks**

Rita Reed spontaneously asked all members to give a vote of thanks to Bernard for his 45 years of devoted service as Secretary. There was unanimous agreement.

**8. Treasurer’s Report**

Les Coulton took members through the Annual Accounts. The Chairman thanked Les for his report.

**9. Guest Speaker**

Bernard introduced **Charlotte Taylor, Clerk to the Old Bolsover Town Council** as this year’s guest speaker. She spoke on the role of the Town Clerk and the work of the Council and forthcoming Projects.

**10. Vote of Thanks**

The Chairman gave Charlotte a Vote of thanks and presented her with flowers. Questions were then received from the floor.

**11. Date and Venue for AGM 2025**

**To be confirmed**

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**The Food and Wine Buffet**

Andrew declared this evening’s Buffet, Bar, Membership Services and Raffle open.