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Dear resident,

Here at Bolsover District Council we have been working hard with our Labour colleagues in Barlborough to ensure the village receives its fair share of funding, regeneration and good quality services.

We believe that you deserve the very best so we are continuing to work hard on your behalf and delivering on the promises to promote tourism more, provide activities for local people to enjoy and promoting our businesses and community groups.

In June, our Parish came together to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We saw our communities organise large scale events, street parties and festivals and it shows just what a great community spirit we have in the Parish and we would also like to pay tribute to the army of volunteers and community organisations who organised the celebrations.

We believe more needs to be made of Barlborough's rich history and heritage that's why we are putting plans into place to work with officers at the Council and the local heritage and resource centre to develop promotional campaigns, that tell the story

of Barlborough and that will attract more people to visit the area, boosting the local economy.

This is just the beginning and we know there is still a lot to do, but by working together and with your continued support we are determined to deliver on our ambitions and make them reality.

The past few years have been very difficult for everyone and this shows no sign of ending as the cost of living crisis and rise in energy bills take a grip. On top of this we have a government who continue to lurch from one problem to another and you deserve so much better than this revolving door of chaos. In fact by the time you read this you will have had your third Prime Minister in the space of around 50 days. But through all this, Bolsover District Council continues to deliver and continues to invest in our communities.

If you have any queries, then please do not hesitate to contact me using the details below.



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Providing free advertising

A new digital display sign has been installed in Clowne town centre which also serves Barlborough to help promote local businesses, community and voluntary groups and charities. The adverts are free and form part of our plans to help boost the local economy and encourage people to join local clubs and groups.



Remembering our forgotten miners

Everyone in the Parish knows the importance of Remembrance Sunday and mining in the village and we were delighted to be part of the unveiling of a plaque to commemorate local miners who lost their lives in the line of duty. Hilary Gilmour and Norma Machin unveiled the plaque as part of the village's Remembrance Service. History like this should never be forgotten.

Improving road safety

Traffic and road safety around and near to the Treble Bob Roundabout has been an issue for years. We campaigned for years to get a toucan crossing on Oxcroft Way for children going to the secondary school and we are working with our partners to secure the necessary funding to alleviate the congestion, improve traffic flow and boost regional connectivity.



Providing free activities for children

We all know how important physical activity is for young people so over the summer we welcomed back the popular holiday activities and food (HAF) programme. Completely free for children eligible for free school meals, the sessions provided a fun-packed programme filled with a wide range of sports and games, arts and crafts, cookery, dance and music.

Reinvigorating our past

Barlborough Heritage and Resource Centre is a mine of information. It has collections, artefacts and memorabilia dating back hundreds of years. Run entirely by volunteers, we continually support the Centre by providing free promotion and publicity to help highlight what a wonderful venue this is for people to browse through the archives or trace their ancestors.



Our ambitions for **Barlborough**

When we are out and about and talking to people we get a sense of what is important to you. So below are the main priorities that we aim to deliver on your behalf.

- 1. Tourism and economy** – Developing plans to promote the history and heritage of the village in association with Barlborough Heritage and Resource Centre and create an environment that attracts businesses so more people visit the area and boost our local economy.
- 2. Infrastructure** – Developing plans to improve the road infrastructure around Barlborough to help alleviate congestion and improve the air quality.
- 3. Environment** – Creating an environment that helps tackle climate change by continuing to improve areas like Barlborough Country Park and tree planting schemes and continually improving our burgundy bin recycling service to offer residents more opportunities to recycle their waste.
- 4. Leisure and social activities** – Developing the leisure and recreational activities available to local residents through projects such as the ongoing improvement of facilities on our recreation grounds and providing more social opportunities and events for people to attend that will enhance people's quality of life.
- 5. Affordable housing** – Delivering more affordable housing through the continuation of the Bolsover Homes scheme and purchasing housing from local developers to help local young people and families get on the housing ladder.

