

BOLSOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL

Safety Committee on 5th March 2026

Q2 Health & Safety Update: 01.07.25 to 30.09.25

Classification	This report is Public
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PURPOSE/SUMMARY OF REPORT

To provide an overview of the Authority's overall Health & Safety performance as indicated by:

- Accident statistics, trends and lost time.
- Training numbers including any reports of non-attendance and associated costs.
- Providing an overview of progress against the workplace inspection programme.

REPORT DETAILS

1. Background

- 1.1 To confirm how Bolsover District Council is performing from a Health and Safety perspective. Good Health and Safety performance is indicative of good management control and vice versa.

2. Details of Proposal or Information

2.1 Accident Statistics by Quarter:

BDC

The total number of BDC employee accidents in Quarter 1 is 6 (excluding Dragonfly). This compares to 12 accidents occurring during Quarter 1 of 2024 – 2025. This Quarter's BDC employee accidents occurred in the following service areas:

- Streetscene – 5
- Community Enforcement – 1

The following types of incident were involved:

- Struck by a moving object – 2
- Manual handling – 2
- Cuts & Abrasions – 1
- Road Traffic Collision – 1

There were 0 RIDDOR reportable incidents and 0 lost days.

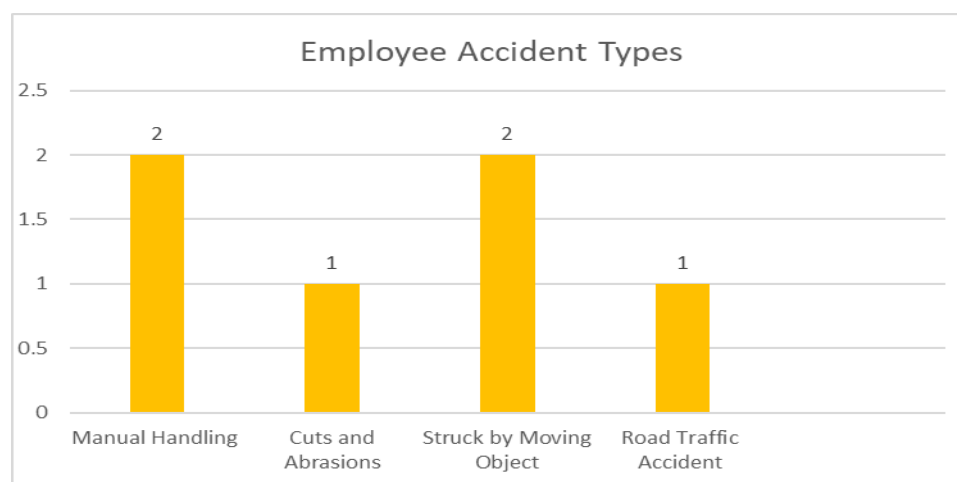
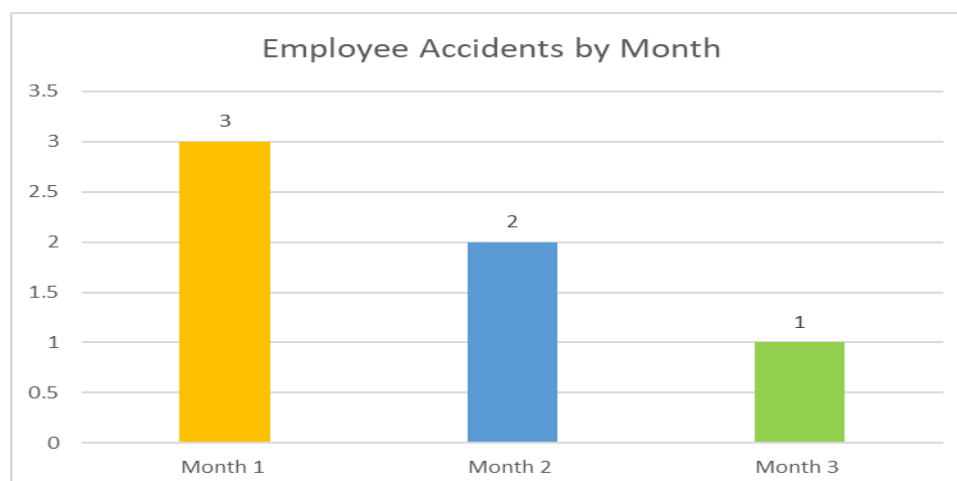
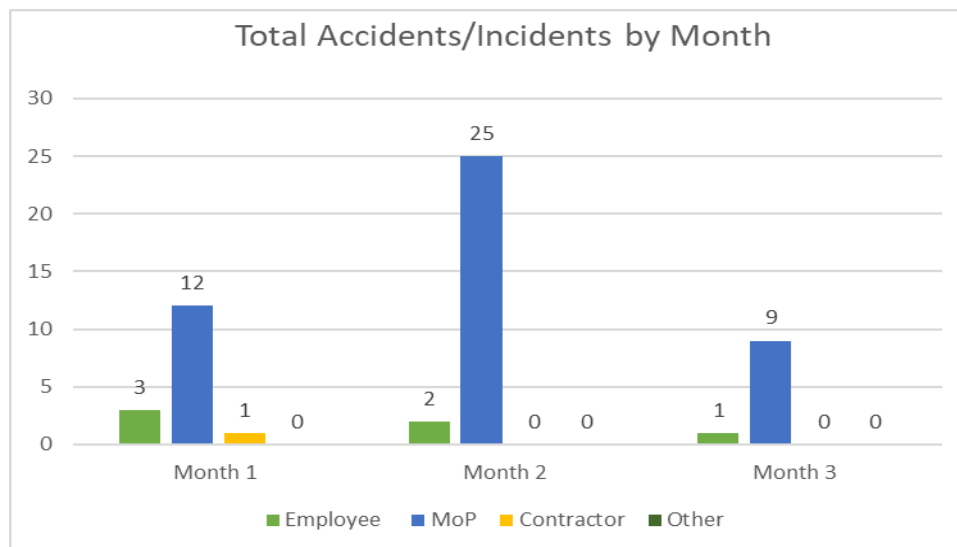
Date of Incident	Service Area + Location	Type of Incident	Incident Severity	RIDD OR Reportable	Incident Details	Lost Time Days (Actual)
02/07/2025	Community Safety & Enforcement	Struck by moving object	Minor Injury – No Lost Days	No	IP was using extendable pole to retrieve fly tip out of a tree when IP twisted their shoulder.	0
31/07/2025	Streetscene Riverside Depot	Manual Handling	Minor Injury – No Lost Days	No	IP was using the jet washer when lower back gave way	0
15/08/2025	StreetScene Riverside Depot	Struck by moving object	Minor Injury – No Lost Days	No	Drill was accidentally knocked off resulting in it sliding down and making contact with IP forearm	0
08/08/2025	Street scene	Cuts and Abrasions	Minor Injury – No Lost Days	No	IP was Cutting rural verges, ran over braided metal cable. Got out to free it from the flail head and while pulling it loose got several strands stuck in their hand.	0
16/09/2025	Streetscene	Road Traffic Collision	Road Traffic Collision – No Injury	No	A car attempted to undertake IP thinking IP had fully stopped. The car then moved to the side of the sweeper and a collision occurred.	0
29/09/2025	Streetscene	Manual Handling	Minor Injury – No Lost Days	No	IP went to empty a large litter bin which had been filled with bags of cat litter and injured back	0
Total Lost Days = 0						

There were 3 near misses reported by BDC Streetscene employees – none resulted in injury but all involved members of the public:

- 2 were recorded as dangerous driving by members of the public around Streetscene vehicles
- 1 employee recorded that a member of the public was wearing black insignia and pointed a knife at him before driving off
- The total number of accidents reported by Members of the Public was 46 and none of these were serious enough to be RIDDOR reportable. Although all 46 incidents occurred across Leisure Services and Extreme wheels, it should be remembered that the average quarterly footfall in Go!Active is 85,958 people.

There was 1 accident involving an external Xtreme Wheels contractor – during a ‘tricks demonstration’ the bike hit his leg, leading to cuts and abrasions.

Graphs showing the number of monthly accidents / incidents for employees, employee and member of the public accident numbers by month and incident types for employees are shown below:



DRAGONFLY MANAGEMENT & DRAGONFLY DEVELOPMENT LTD

There were 2 employee accidents reported by Dragonfly Development Ltd during Quarter 2:

Date of Incident	Service Area + Location	Type of Incident	Incident Severity	RIDDOR Reportable	Incident Details	Lost Time Days (Actual)
19/06/2025	Dragonfly Management (Repairs)	Striking against a fixed object	Lost Time – Up to 7 days	No	IP cutting plasterboard with a Stanley knife and cut into his left thumb	0
16/09/2025	Dragonfly Management (Repairs)	Manual Handling	Minor Injury – No Lost Days	No	IP was lifting boiler and felt popping sensation on right shoulder	0
						Total Lost Days: 0

There were 0 RIDDOR reportable incidents and 0 days lost.

Additionally, the following 2 Dragonfly Development contractor incidents occurred:

- Single scaffold clip was accidentally knocked off a scaffold board whilst being erected, falling into a window
- Contractor pulled his back when lifting an electrical cable to attach straps - so the excavator could pull the LV cable

2.2 Training

During the Quarter, 58 BDC employees were trained:

- Asbestos Category A (Awareness) - 4
- Asbestos Category B – 4
- Asbestos Category B Refresher – 6
- Fire Warden – 42
- Emergency First Aid - 2

During the Quarter, 10 Dragonfly employees were trained:

- Asbestos Category A (Awareness) - 1
- Fire Warden – 2
- Cat & Genny - 7

2.3 INSPECTIONS:

5 formal BDC inspections occurred. These were undertaken by a member of the Health & Safety Team, Facilities Management Team, a building representative and a Trade Union Representative (when available) – and occurred at:

- Pleasley Vale Mill 3
- Pleasley Vale Mill 2 & Dye House
- South Normanton Contact Centre
- Shirebrook Leisure Centre
- Castle Leisure Pavillion

There were no formal Dragonfly Development Ltd inspections, however an external Health & Safety consultant undertakes monthly visits to all sites and various visits were undertaken at Pleasley Vale, New Woburn and Victoria House.

3. Reasons for Recommendation

- 3.1 The Health & Safety Manager asks the Committee to consider the report as a reflection on the corporate commitment to and continued awareness of the importance of good Health & Safety performance.

4. Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

- 4.1 In view of the proposed recommendations, Committee members not providing a steer on this matter would be an alternative option but is not considered a reasonable approach.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. That Safety Committee members note the Health and Safety updates and provide any appropriate advice to officers on this work stream.
2. That Safety Committee members be assured that good Health and Safety management remains a key performance priority for Bolsover Derbyshire District Council.

Approved by Councillor Rob Hiney-Saunders, Portfolio Holder for Environment

IMPLICATIONS:

<u>Finance and Risk</u>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Details: Poor performance can lead to compensation claims, increasing the cost of insurance.		
On behalf of the Section 151 Officer		
<u>Legal (including Data Protection):</u>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Details: Good performance is an indicator of compliance with Health and Safety legislation.		
On behalf of the Solicitor to the Council		
<u>Staffing:</u>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Details: Accidents resulting in injury can impact on staffing levels and costs attributed to manager time, sickness absence and replacement labour.		
On behalf of the Head of Paid Service		

Equality and Diversity, and Consultation			Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Details: N/A				
Environment				
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>			No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Details: N/A				

DECISION INFORMATION:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please indicate which threshold applies:		
Is the decision a Key Decision? A Key Decision is an Executive decision which has a significant impact on two or more wards in the District or which results in income or expenditure to the Council above the following thresholds:		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Revenue (a) Results in the Council making Revenue Savings of £75,000 or more or (b) Results in the Council incurring Revenue Expenditure of £75,000 or more.		(a) <input type="checkbox"/> (b) <input type="checkbox"/>
Capital (a) Results in the Council making Capital Income of £150,000 or more or (b) Results in the Council incurring Capital Expenditure of £150,000 or more.		(a) <input type="checkbox"/> (b) <input type="checkbox"/>
District Wards Significantly Affected: <i>(to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the District)</i> Please state below which wards are affected or tick All if all wards are affected:		All <input type="checkbox"/>
Is the decision subject to Call-In? <i>(Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)</i> If No, is the call-in period to be waived in respect of the decision(s) proposed within this report? <i>(decisions may only be classified as exempt from call-in with the agreement of the Monitoring Officer)</i>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
Consultation carried out: <i>(this is any consultation carried out prior to the report being presented for approval)</i>		Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Deputy Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Executive <input type="checkbox"/> SLT <input type="checkbox"/> Relevant Service Manager <input type="checkbox"/> Members <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Councillor Hiney-Saunders, Portfolio Holder for Environment

Links to Council Ambition: Customers, Economy, Environment, Housing
Health and Safety arrangements contribute to all Council Ambitions.

DOCUMENT INFORMATION:

Appendix No	Title

Background Papers
<i>(These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Executive, you must provide copies of the background papers).</i>
N/A

DECEMBER 2024