

BOLSOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL

Safety Committee on 1st May 2026

Q3 Health & Safety Update: (1st September 2025 – 31st December 2025)

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 3 is 8 (excluding Dragonfly). This compares to 8 accidents occurring during Quarter 3 of 2024 – 2025. This Quarter's BDC employee accidents occurred in the following service areas:

- Streetscene – 6
- Planning – 1
- Legal – 1

The incidents were involved:

- Manual Handling – 2
- Spillage – 1
- Slips, trips and falls – 2

- Struck by moving object – 2
- Electrical - 1

There were 0 RIDDOR reportable incidents.

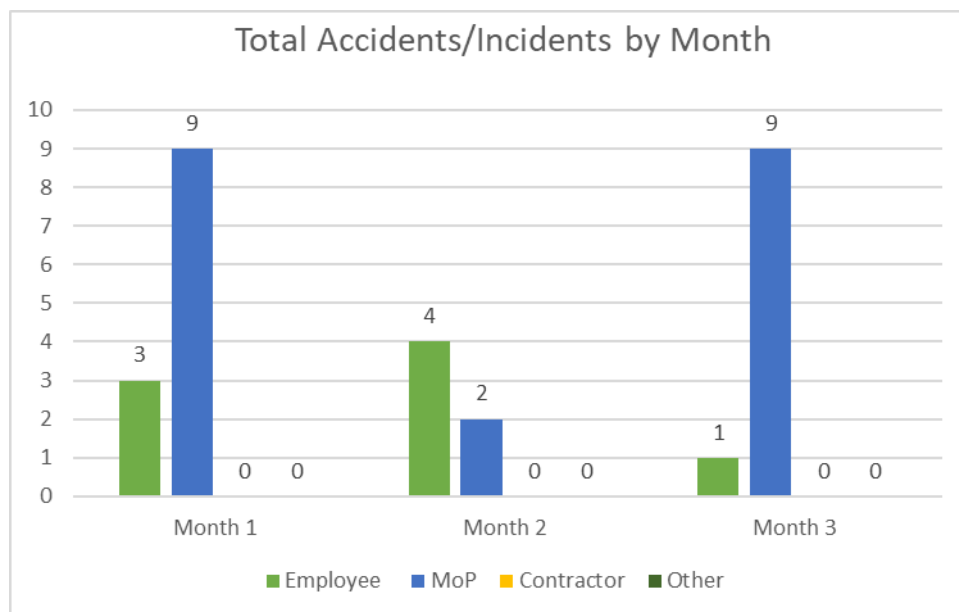
Date of Incident	Service Area + Location	Type of Incident	Incident Severity	RIDD OR Reportable	Incident Details	Lost Time Days (Actual)
28/10/2025	Streetscene	Manual Handling	Minor Injury – No lost days	No	IP Strained back whilst emptying refuse bin in layby	0
28/10/2025	Streetscene	Slips, trips and falls on same level	Minor Injury – No lost days	No	IP got out of the van in the old garage area and fell into a small drainage hole that was covered in leaves.	0
30/10/2025	Planning	Electrical	Minor Injury – No lost days	No	IP unplugged heater and the plug and prongs were red hot to touch. Burnt finger	0
11/11/2025	Streetscene	Struck by moving object	Lost time – up to 7 days	No	IP was loading tree branches into the chipper, and a fragment was projected into IP's right eye	7
17/11/2025	Streetscene	Struck by moving object	Lost time – up to 7 days	No	IP was working with the tree team. The arborist was cutting and lowering tree branches, and the wind increased just at the time a branch was cut which resulted in the branch falling quickly bouncing and hitting IP's shoulder	7
27/11/2025	Streetscene	Slips, trips and falls on same level	Lost time – up to 7 days	No	IP got out of the vehicle and stood on a stone twisting their ankle.	5

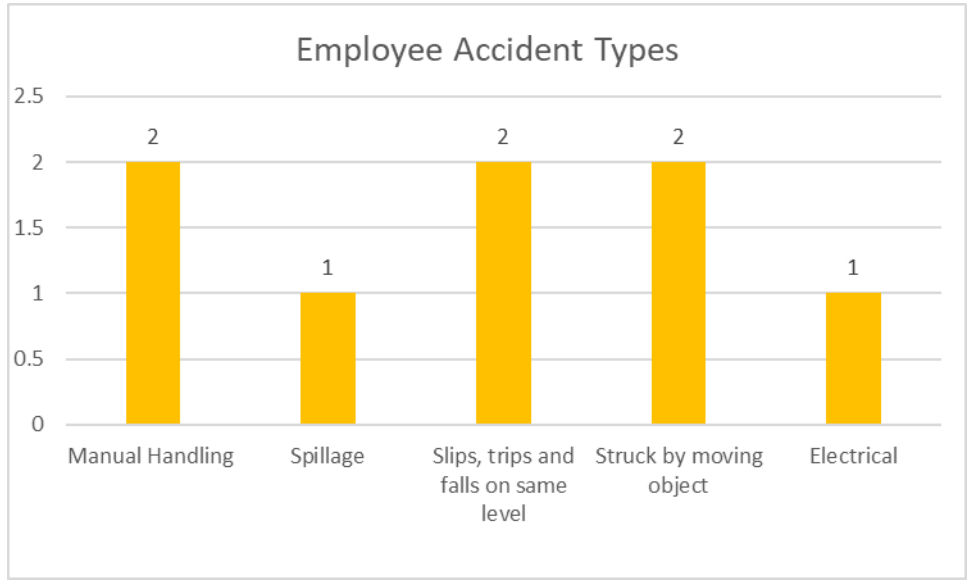
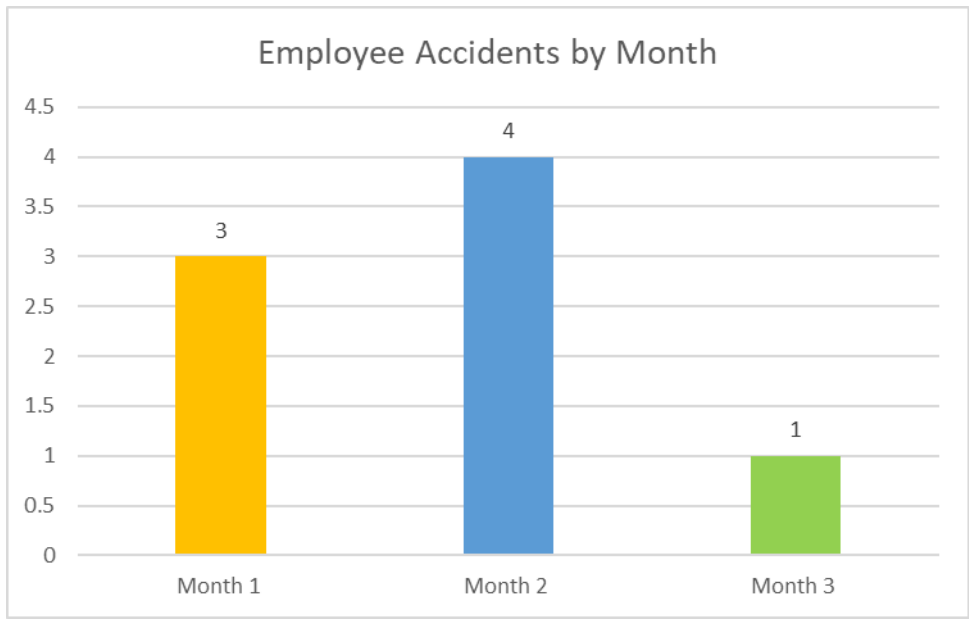
27/11/2025	Streetscene	Manual Handling	Minor Injury – no lost days	No	Bins went in the back of the RCV as the bins were chained up. IP was able to recover them which meant IP tugging at them to retrieve them	0
11/12/2025	Legal	Spillage	Minor Injury – no lost days	No	IP was holding a cup of hot water and spilt on the other hand.	0
Total Lost Days = 19						

There were 0 near misses.

- The total number of accidents reported by Members of the Public was 20 and 0 of these were serious enough to be RIDDOR reportable. It should be remembered that the average quarterly footfall in Go!Active is 85,958 people.

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 Q3:

Date of Incident	Service Area + Location	Type of Incident	Incident Severity	RIDDOR Reportable	Incident Details	Lost Time Days (Actual)
07/10/2025	Dragonfly Repairs	Striking against a fixed object	Minor Injury – No lost days	No	Walking into garage under temporary retractable barrier, caught it with back and it sprung back and hit operative in left eye	0

11/12/2025	Dragonfly Management	Cuts and Abrasions	Minor Injury – No lost days	No	A Stanley knife was placed on top of a step ladder after use. The steps were then moved and the knife fell off, resulting in the point of the blade hitting IP right thumb causing a cut.	0
						Total Lost Days: 0

There were 0 RIDDOR reportable incidents.

Additionally, the following 2 Dragonfly Development contractor incidents occurred:

- Cable strike by machine when digging a trench
- Cable strike of a 6mm street light cable on BDC land

2.2 Training

During the Quarter, 55 BDC employees were trained:

- Asbestos UKATA Duty to Manage = 6
- Fire Warden = 43
- Emergency First Aid = 2
- First Aid Refresher = 4

During the Quarter, 21 Dragonfly employees were trained:

- Asbestos UKATA Duty to Manage = 3
- Asbestos UKATA Duty to Manage for Appointed Persons = 8
- Cat & Genny = 7
- Fire Warden = 2
- First Aid Refresher = 1

2.3 **INSPECTIONS:**

3 formal BDC inspections and 1 informal pre-opening visit were undertaken. 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:

- Castle Leisure Park
- The Tangent
- The Arc
- The Construction Block (not yet fully occupied – pre opening visit)

There were 12 formal Dragonfly Development Ltd inspections, in addition to monthly visits undertaken by an external Health & Safety consultant:

- Woburn Close - 3
- Crematorium - 3
- Shirebrook Market - 3
- Alder Close - 3

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.
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