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Bolton's racing ahead! World's largest IronKids plus IronMan and NightRun

**20th Bolton Food and Drink Festival** Book tickets now!

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# Welcome



Welcome to the latest edition of Our Bolton Magazine.

As I write, we are getting ready to host Bolton's famous IRONMAN weekend.

The iconic event has become such a firm fixture in Bolton that we could be forgiven for forgetting just how remarkable a feat it is to take part in one of these gruelling races.

Completing the 1.2-mile swim, 56-mile bike ride and 13.1-mile run that make up the IRONMAN 70.3 takes real passion, grit and dedication.

Across the whole weekend, events like the Night Run and the world's largest IRONKIDS inspire younger generations, encourage people to get active and create a party atmosphere in the town centre as people cheer their friends and family across the finish line.

Hard work, community spirit, and a drive to succeed. All these qualities, and more, are what makes Bolton and our residents so special.

Each of these qualities is encapsulated in our exciting new place brand which is designed to promote the very best of Bolton to a regional, national and international audience.

Created with the help of local people, organisations and businesses the new brand emphasises that Bolton is "born to perform" in all walks of life and, fittingly enough, was launched at the renowned Octagon Theatre in March this year.

More information about IRONMAN, and our new Bolton brand, can be found on these pages, with much more besides.

# Plan your next adventure at **www.visitbolton.com**









There is a preview of the upcoming Bolton Food and Drink Festival, which celebrates its 20th birthday this summer.

But you don't need to wait until the August Bank Holiday to enjoy the very best of global cuisine, as you will see from our feature on the new Bolton Market Food Hall.

This new venue is a key part of our ongoing regeneration of the town centre which continues to gather momentum. This edition provides vital updates on several development projects including the flagship transformation of Crompton Place.

Elsewhere you will find valuable updates on the council's work to support families, keep our public spaces tidy and empower all of us to live happier and healthier lives.

Thank you for reading, and best of luck to everyone taking part across the IRONMAN weekend.

Councillor Nick Peel, Bolton Council Leader



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# Join the IRONMAN action

### Bolton town centre's biggest weekend of sport returns this June and you can enjoy the action.

The world's biggest IRONKIDS hits town on Saturday, June 7, and there may still be a few places left for this iconic event.

Check the IRONMAN website for availability, or ask at registration in the town hall on Thursday, June 5 (3pm-7pm) or Friday, June 6 (9am-6pm).

It's a great family day out with plenty to keep children entertained like crafts, face painting and a climbing wall in Elizabeth Park.

Plus, there's delicious food from around the world at Bolton Market food hall.

The night before, over a thousand people will take part in Night Run, running 5k or 10k around the town centre.

IRONMAN 70.3 Bolton takes over on Sunday, June 8, with 2,000 athletes taking on the course from Pennington Flash to Victoria Square.

Find out more and register for the events at the IRONMAN website.



IRONKIDS







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## What's on...

BOLTON UK Presented by

Friday, June 6, 7pm, town centre



Saturday, June 7, 9am to 5pm, town centre



Sunday, June 8, from 6.15am

# Where to see the action...

Athletes regularly tell us they love the atmosphere and support in Bolton.

The town centre is a great place to see the action from Night Run, IRONKIDS and IROMAN 70.3 Bolton, especially Elizabeth Park and the finish in Victoria Square.

For IRONMAN 70.3 Bolton, also head to Queens Park, Old Kiln Lane, The Crown pub in Horwich, and the Retreat pub and other spots on Chorley New Road.

### **Road closures**

With thousands of people taking part, including large numbers of children, temporary road closures are needed for the safety of residents, competitors and spectators.

Some roads in Bolton and Wigan will be closed at various times and unfortunately some disruption is unavoidable.

The town centre and Middlebook are open as normal.

Check the IRONMAN website for full details of road closures.

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# Bolton Central Library and Museum What's On

### Shakespeare at Smithills Hall A Place For Us Theatre Company presents Saturday 12 July

Romeo and Juliet – 5.30pm Macbeth – 7.30pm

Join us for one, or both, of these plays, performed outdoors in the gardens, by multi-award-winning 'A Place For Us Theatre'. Bring a picnic, blanket or chair, and maybe a glass of something sparkly, and enjoy these iconic plays with the Hall as a stunning backdrop. Please note that these shows will only be cancelled in the event of extreme weather, so please attend dressed appropriately with waterproofs and/or jumpers at the ready. Age recommendation 7+.

Tickets available via A Place for Us Events on ticketsource.co.uk

## Come along to our summer

Gamen

Smithills Hall Sunday 6 July, 12pm – 4pm

Our annual Garden Party is back! Join us for a family-fun day, including craft and food stalls, music, and plenty of fantastic summer activities. Entry to the Garden Party is free, but charges will be applicable for some activities and refreshments.

### Reebok & Co: The Bolton History of the Running Shoe

### Saturday 5 July 2025 - Sunday 18 January 2026

Our summer exhibition celebrates the origins of Reebok, the global sportswear brand that was founded in Bolton. The story begins with the pioneering work of Joseph William Foster, who designed racing pumps for the 1924 British Olympic Team. The spirit of enterprise continued through Foster's grandsons, Joe



and Jeff, who launched Reebok in the late 1950s. The exhibition explores Reebok's connections with local sports shoe company, Norman Walsh Footwear, and their mutual ties with local running clubs like Bolton United Harriers and Horwich RMI Harriers.

The 26 pound<sup>\*</sup> running shoe.

The exhibition will open with a Family Day on 5 July, with fun activities for all the family to enjoy.

Explore the exhibition: 11am tour. Then from 11am to 3pm, there will be creative activities, trainer customisation demonstrations. film screening, music and more.



Bolton Museum is supporting a wider Project Team to redevelop Rock Hall - located in Moses Gate Country Park - to bring it back into use for the local community as a community Heritage Hub.



As we do this, we will be launching a programme of activity for all ages at the Hall, over the coming months.

Please follow our Facebook page to stay up to date with our latest /activities and development.

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Download the Bolton Library and Museum's What's On guide online at **boltonlams.co.uk** or pick up from the Central Library to discover all the year's events!

### Bolton Library and

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# Get to know your Bolton Market traders...

### Stefano's Pizza & Pasta

Cuisine: Italian

#### What inspired you to bring authentic Italian pizza and pasta to Bolton Market?

I wanted to bring a true taste of Italy to culinary arts in Italy. I moved to Bolton Market, using my experience as a chef and my Sicilian roots. I'm passionate about authentic Italian food, and I saw an opportunity to share real stone-baked pizza and pasta with high-quality ingredients.

#### What's been your favourite customer interaction?

My favourite moments are when customers tell me that my food reminds them of their holidays in Italy or even of their family traditions. It's really rewarding to see how food can bring back such special memories.

### Can you share a bit about your background?

I'm originally from Sicily and I studied England in 1999 and worked for many years as a head chef in different restaurants. Now, with Stefano's Pizza, I bring my experience and passion for Italian food directly to the customers.

Are you planning on any new menu items for the future? I'm planning to introduce a few new dishes, like special pizzas and seasonal pasta options. In the future, I hope to grow the business by keeping the same quality and authenticity and maybe expanding to new locations.

### **The Coffee Grind**

Specialties: Freshly ground coffee, hot drinks Trader: Nigel Lyons

### What's the best part about being a **Bolton Market trader?**

Definitely the banter and making people smile and laugh. I've been here shops and drinks. I knew I could do for 11 and a half years and still going strong. It's a job I love to do.

### What makes the perfect cup of coffee?

The secret is in the time, effort, care, and attention put into each drink, as well as the valuable experience we pour in.

### What made you go into the coffee business?

I was fed up with substandard coffee better myself and have proven that to myself... That and great customer satisfaction.

### Why should people come to The Coffee Grind?

Simple. We do the best coffee, and we are based on the best market ever. There is only one Bolton Market - and only one Coffee Grind.

### Keep updated on all events by following on social media:

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FRI 22ND TO MON 25TH AUGUST

# Simply the zest!

## Celebration on the menu for this year's Bolton Food and Drink Festival

Bolton Food and Drink Festival returns this August bank holiday, and it's set to be the most spectacular yet. From Friday 22 to Monday 25 August 2025, the UK's biggest food and drink festival will take over the town centre in a flavour-packed celebration of its 20th anniversary.

In previous years, over 500,000 visitors have joined in the festival's offering – that's 300,000 more than Glastonbury – firmly cementing Bolton's place on the national foodie map. This summer, the town will once again transform into a buzzing hub of global cuisine, live entertainment, and family fun, with more than 180 vendors serving up everything from artisan bakes to sizzling street food.

Marco Pierre White will be making his festival debut on Saturday 23 August, bringing his charismatic personality to the festival kitchen for two cooking demos and a special Q&A session where the renowned chef will reveal all on his magnificent career.

On Sunday 24 August, drink expert and international wine judge Helen McGinn will be hosting two exclusive wine tasting sessions where she will guide you through a unique experience featuring a range of delicious wines.

Beloved TV chef James Martin returns to headline the festivities on Monday 25 August. He'll take to the stage at the historic Albert Halls once again to serve up several live cookery demos that are as entertaining as they are delicious.

TAST TIMES AHEAD

The streets surrounding Bolton's iconic town hall will come alive with a carnival atmosphere. Expect pop-up bars, artisan market stalls, flamboyant performers, and music acts from all genres, across the two event stages. Highlights of the weekend will also include the immersive Faulty Towers Dining Experience and a theatrical three-course murder mystery night - perfect for food lovers and fun seekers alike.

With its dynamic mix of food, flair and festivities, the festival will prove once again in it's 20th year that Bolton is Born to Perform - a town bursting with creative energy, cultural pride, and a warm welcome for all.

With free entry to the festival and ticketed upgrades for specific events, this is the ultimate summer weekend for every appetite

James Martin, Celebrity Chef

Celebrity Chefs and Special Guests

- **James Martin**
- Marco Pierre White
- Helen McGinn
- And Others
- Wine Tasting
- Faulty Towers **Comedy Dining**



For more information or to book tickets visit our website







# Demolition plan for Crompton Place

The regeneration of Bolton Town centre has taken a major step forward as plans were unveiled for the long-awaited demolition of Crompton Place.

If planning approval is granted, demolition could start later this year and take just 50 weeks to complete.

Visitors to the town centre will quickly see the benefits, thanks to the reintroduction of a direct pedestrian route between Victoria Square and Bradshawgate.

There are also plans to use the newly cleared space for public performances, events, pop-up markets and more.

The transformation of Crompton Place is Bolton's flagship redevelopment project and work is well underway to find the right developers for the site.

Once appointed, developers will hold a public consultation on plans for the future including details of how the scheme will benefit the wider town centre.

Demolition is only possible after the council purchased the shopping centre in 2018 and supported tenants to relocate to other areas of the town centre - including Primark's recent move to Market Place.

### Bolton Council Leader. Cllr Nick Peel, said:

"This demolition plan marks the start of a truly transformational project in the heart of Bolton town centre.

"Last year saw several regeneration projects successfully delivered, but the start of work on Crompton Place sends a clear signal that Bolton means business.

"We have already had significant interest in the site, and we are confident that investment will attract even more developers to other parts of the town centre."



For the latest on Bolton's regeneration, visit investinbolton.com



### NorthFold: Connecting Bolton and boosting growth

Plans have been announced for a new arowth corridor. connecting Bolton with our neighbours in Wigan while creating new homes and jobs.

Known as NorthFold, the area between the two towns has been designated as one of Greater Manchester's key "arowth locations" including a proposed new link road connecting the M6 and M61.

In a joint announcement earlier this year, the two councils and the Greater Manchester Combined Authority set out plans

that could see 9,000 new homes and 342,000 som of land set aside for new industrial space by 2035.

As well as building on the area's existing strengths in logistics and manufacturing, NorthFold is also set to be at the forefront of emerging sectors like health innovation and sustainable food manufacturing.

Overall, NorthFold could add a projected £356.3m a year to the local economy.

Find out more at northfold.co.uk.



### New start for historic square

Bolton town centre's newest public space has officially opened.



Cheadle Square, behind Le Mans Crescent, has been completely renovated with new landscaping, trees and plants, and benches.

The former car park has been revitalised as part of the Neighbourhood Moor Lane scheme.

Developed jointly by Step Places, Bolton at Home and Bolton Council, the development on the former bus station features 214 new homes. completed in December last year.

It offers 82 new affordable homes for rent, over 55s housing and rent to buy properties.

Alongside the nearby Elizabeth Park, Cheadle Square is part of a wider £7m investment in new public spaces in the town centre.

#### Noel Sharpe, CEO of Bolton at Home, said:

"We're delighted to have played our role in returning it to a more open and vibrant space for use by Bolton residents and visitors.

"It's an area that offers peace and tranquillity in the heart of the town centre and I know is already being enjoyed by our customers living nearby, as well as shoppers, workers and other visitors to the town centre."

Frank Cheadle, Mayor of Bolton in 1928/29, called for the space behind the town hall to be protected as an open space for the public.

The square was named after him in 1947.

# We are **Bolton**

Bolton has launched a new place brand which tells Bolton's unique story and cements the town as a fantastic area to live, work, invest, study and visit.

Brand Bolton, a partnership between private sector, third sector and Bolton Council, is a new way to promote Bolton that will act as the catalyst to the continued regeneration of Bolton and give it a place on the world stage.

To complement Brand Bolton, an exciting new website has launched, wearebolton.co.uk, which showcases everything our town has to offer for residents, visitors, students, businesses and investors.

Brand Bolton was officially launched in February 2025, with a hugely successful launch event at The Octagon Theatre.



Attendees heard from a range of speakers who are passionate about Bolton, to learn more about how 'Bolton is Born to Perform' and three key themes:

**Bolton means business** Bolton better connected A cultural & leisure renaissance

### Becci Martin, Founder of Bolton-based Boo Consulting and co-chair of the Brand Bolton board, said:

"We really believe that Bolton is a thriving town with only great things in its future. We have so much to offer and so much to showcase. "Bolton is born to perform. We don't need to follow the old set of rules here. We can do things the way that Bolton wants to do them for the future of our town."

A newly formed Brand Bolton board and We are Bolton Ambassador programme have also launched, with representatives from retail, sport, business, charity, leisure, the voluntary sector and the council all coming together to share one message:

Unlocking potential for the local economy - attracting visitors and inward investment.

### Are you passionate about Bolton?

### Become a We are Bolton ambassador today!

As a We are Bolton Ambassador you can help Bolton do what it does best: radiate influence, build confidence, cultivate strong leadership, develop new relationships and bring business and place together.

The Ambassador programme has already got off to a great start, with the first of many breakfast meetings taking place. Ambassadors shared ideas, discussed future opportunities and left feeling inspired to tell Bolton's story.

A Bolton Place Brand Manager has also been recruited to ensure that sufficient resource is given to support the brand and the town's ambitious plans for the future.



whether you come to Bolton to live, work, study, invest or visit. "Businesses are booming, more young people are choosing to study here, and we have a fantastic range of events throughout the year.

so special.

"If you would like to help us tell Bolton's unique story, we would love to welcome you as a We are Bolton Ambassador"

### Find out more and be part of the story at wearebolton.co.uk



## Bolton **IS BORN TO PERFORM**

#### **Catherine Price, Bolton Place** Brand Manager, said:

"I am absolutely delighted to be Bolton's Place Brand Manager and I can't wait to work with our partners to tell the story of the distinctiveness, charm and characteristics which make Bolton

"Bolton is a fantastic town and has an excellent offer for everyone

## What's on at the Albert Halls



**Twisted!** The Musical 18-21 June



**Bouncers** 26 July



**Michael Starring Ben** 11 September

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Living the Life of Riley 2 Julv



The Bon Jovi Experience 6 September



Jive Talkin' perform The Bee **Gees Live in Concert** 27 September



# Spring clean for **Bolton cemeteries**

Bolton's municipal cemeteries are looking spic and span after a spring clean by workers from Bolton Council.







Grass cutting in cemeteries is a big job. Workers have had to strim in-between tens of thousands of headstones.

before tidying the grass off graves using blowers. The work has been made possible by additional

funding announced as part of this year's budget settlement.

# Bolton's in bloom!

### Head to Heaton Fold Garden Centre this summer

Summer artisan markets: 22 June, 27 July, 24 August.

10am – 3pm at Heaton Fold Garden Centre, down at the very bottom of Overdale Drive, Heaton, BL1 5BU.

There's unique, one-of-a-kind gifts for all, including handmade jewellery and chutneys, delicious baking,

Come along and support our small businesses! Free parking and entry.

### To find out more visit www.heatonfold.co.uk





- The new funding has paid for a new ten-person green space operational team equipped with two pickup trucks, two large ride-on mowers, ten strimmers and six blowers.
- After the initial tidying up of the cemeteries, the council has begun a programme of scheduled maintenance and grass cutting from April.
- Bolton Council's Executive Member for Climate Change and Environment, Cllr Richard Silvester, said:
- "Bolton's historic cemeteries date as far

back as the 1850s and are important places for the community, where people come to remember their loved ones.

"So, we take our role as their guardians seriously and are committed to keeping them suitably neat and tidy.

"This hasn't always been easy at a time of rising demands on council budgets, which is why I'm extremely pleased with the work this new team has carried out and I look forward to seeing the benefits of our regular maintenance programme."

**Heaton Fold** 

artisan markets are back! 22 June, 27 July,

24 August 10am - 3pm



### **Opening hours:**

heaton fold

GARDEN CENTRE

Garden centre

Café

Mon to Fri 9am – 4pm Sat to Sun 10am – 4pm

Wed to Sun 10am – 3pm

# New stop smoking pathway launched

Bolton's Voluntary, Community, and Social Enterprise (VCSE) sector are invited to support smokers across the borough in signing up for free quit smoking programmes and reap financial benefits as a result.



The unique initiative from Bolton Council, which is funded from Government grants to eradicate smoking, incentivises VCSEs to make a meaningful impact on the health of Bolton residents, helping more local people quit smoking, improving their health and helping to keep more money in their pockets.

Thousands of smokers come into contact with VCSEs every week in Bolton, offering a trusted source of support for many local people.

This initiative provides a great starting point to support smokers in their attempts to quit, helping smokers overcome the burden of tobacco addiction, improving their health, becoming financially better off, boosting their mental health, and leading longer, healthier lives.

Bolton Council has commissioned local stop smoking service provider ABL Health (Your Health Bolton) to deliver this initiative in collaboration with the VCSE sector and Bolton CVS.

Smokers from VCSE organisations can be referred to ABL Health's fully funded 12-week quit programme, which includes free stop smoking support, vape starter kits, and nicotine replacement therapies.

This financial incentive can be utilised in any way the VCSE organisation sees fit, such as investing in new initiatives, supporting existing programmes, or furthering their work in the community.

**#TeamBolton The Holiday** Activities & Food (HAF) programme is a chance for young people to attend FREE fun and enriching activities plus a meal for a minimum of four hours a day, for four days a week, for children on benefits related free school meals.

Afterschool clubs, evening youth clubs and holiday clubs available all year.

Lets 'HAF' fun! **Special summer** activities bookable from June.

Find out what's on and book at... www.bolton.gov.uk/HAF

**TeamBoltonYouth** 

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All local VCSE organisations are asked to register as referrers at www.yhbolton.co.uk/vcse-referral or call **01204 205090** 





# **Free services**

### for families, children and young people

From baby clinics to personalised support tailored to your family's needs, Bolton's Family Hubs are here to give every child in Bolton the best possible start in life.

Conveniently located at several sites across Bolton.

Fun daily activities for children to help them grow and develop.

Find out about the wide range of support on offer:

- Scan the QR code
- Pick up a What's On guide from your local Family Hub
- Search for Bolton Family Hubs on Facebook
- Call us on the numbers opposite.

Find out more at www.boltonstartwell.org.uk/familyhubs



Alexandra Family Hub Blackledge St. BL3 4BL 01204 337347

Bright Meadows Family Hub Greenroyd Ave, BL2 5DD 01204 336691

Farnworth Family Hub King St, BL4 7AP 01204 334955

Great Lever Family Hub Leonard St, BL3 3AP 01204 337333

Harvey Start Well Centre Shaw St, BL3 6HU 01204 337390

**Oldhams Family Hub** Forfar St. BL1 6RN 01204 334992

**Oxford Grove** Family Hub Shepherd Cross St. BL1 3BH 01204 337090

Tonge Family Hub Starkie Rd, BL2 2ED 01204 336745

# **Mockingbird lands in Boltom**

A pioneering support programme for foster carers has launched in Bolton.



It's just like one, big extended family. There's always somebody there.

The Mockingbird model provides support to children in care through a network of connected foster homes that act much like an extended family.

Fostering households support each other with regular social activities, sleepovers and guidance.

The first constellation in Bolton is being led by Hub Home carers Alison and Phil.

Alison said: "When all the families involved met for the first time, it felt like we had known each other for years.

"We are very much in it together as a constellation. Their wins are our wins and we are celebrating this together.

"We have been carers for Bolton for over 20 years now and both agree that it's the most rewarding thing that we've ever done."

Could you help children in Bolton by becoming a foster carer?

To find out more, visit www.bolton.gov.uk/fostering or call **0300 303 0321**.

# **Ageing Well** in Boltom

Older people are an asset to the economy, often doing valuable voluntary and unpaid care work, being a fountain of knowledge, skills, expertise and inspiration for many in the local community.

However, in later life they often need extra support with health and care services and with an increasingly ageing population this must be planned for.

Our priority is to help older people live safely in their own home and enjoy life to the full in their own communities for as long as possible, and plans are in place to achieve this.

Bolton's Age Friendly Strategy 2025-2028 is now available, outlining how we will create a better place for older residents to lead more fulfilling and longer lives.

Bolton's Age Friendly Strategy is our 'roadmap' to ensure our borough is a place where everyone can age well, both now and for generations to come.

As Bolton's Age Well Partnership strategy it represents the views and needs of older people across the borough, putting them at the heart of their communities, and drafted in consultation with older people it identifies four themes:

Health and Wellbeing – providing access to preventative services including mental health, active ageing support and falls prevention

Economic Challenges – supporting inclusivity, accessing benefits, learning, and jobs

Social Implications - accessibility and overcoming isolation

**Transport** – promote greater movement and independence

The aim is to deliver real and lasting change, making Bolton a place where older people can live with dignity, independence, and joy.

www.bolton.gov.uk/healthy-living/age-well





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# Supporting locals struggling with the Cost of living

Bolton's been allocated £4,900,225 from the Government's seventh issue of the Household Support Fund (HSF), the money is to be used by March 31, 2026, to support locals cope with high prices of food, fuel and other household essentials.

This year's allocation is for a full year. This longer term funding provides greater flexibility to plan ahead and use limited resources more effectively to deliver not only the critical emergency support that is needed but also more fundamental initiatives that tackle the causes of poverty.

This also gives extra flexibility to get help to the places it is most needed and also strengthens Bolton's tackling poverty strategy which maps out ways we are tackling the cycle of debt which many Bolton residents find themselves trapped in.

We are now able to support all residents to apply for help in accessing food, electricity and heating, and important household goods although eligibility criteria still apply.

There's also free advice to help people access unclaimed benefits, household budgeting, debt advice and emergency housing costs plus more including:

- Supermarket vouchers for children eligible for free school meals during holidays
- Bolton's Fund, supporting local charities and good causes
- Local Welfare Provision
- Support to claim Pension Credit and vouchers for those no longer entitled to the winter fuel allowance
- Bolton's Care and Repair Service
- Money Skills advice
- Commissioning more support and advice services
- Holiday Activities and Food for children eligible for Free School Meals
- Housing support for tenants at risk of eviction
- Warm Spaces during winter
- Care leavers and unpaid carers support

### Find out about where you can get help on...

- Debt, money and benefits
- Food, energy and safety
- Health and wellbeing
- Housing support
- Jobs and skills
- Support for businesses

### www.bolton.gov.uk/cost-living O



# Useful contact details

### **Rubbish and recycling**

For general enquiries and how to report a missed bin collection or order a new bin, go to www.bolton.gov.uk/rubbish-recycling 01204 336632

### Council tax

To register for council tax or report a change of address or circumstances. To access your account online, view council tax charges and check your bill, go to www.bolton.gov.uk/council-tax 01204 331599

### Housing and finding a home

To register for council-related accommodation, find information and advice on sheltered accommodation, or for adapting your home and preventing homelessness, go to www.bolton.gov.uk/housing-options-advice

01204 335811 Homes for Bolton 01204 335900 Housing Advice

### Benefits

For council tax support, housing benefits, go to www.bolton.gov.uk/benefits 01204 331590

### Blue badges

To apply for, renew or report your Blue Badge lost or stolen, go to www.bolton.gov.uk/parking-permits/blue-badges

### Licensing

To apply for or renew a license for taxis and private hire, alcohol and gambling, street licenses and charity collection go to www.bolton.gov.uk/business-licensing 01204 336584

### **Business rates**

To pay your business rates, report a change in circumstances or find out about business rates reductions, go to www.bolton.gov.uk/business-rates 01204 331730

Births, deaths and marriages (Registrar's Office) To register a birth or death, please go to www.bolton.gov.uk/registering-birth-death 01204 331185

We've listed these useful telephone numbers, but all applications and most services will require you to go online to make an enquiry. If you don't have access to the internet at home, you can come to the One Stop Shop in the Town Hall, your local library or community hub.

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### Before you go...

### **Dates for your diary**

**6-8** June Bolton's NightRun, UK IronMan triathlon and IronKids races go.ironman.com/bolton

6 July Smithills Hall Garden Party Family Fun Dav boltonlams.co.uk/smithills-hall

### 22 - 25 August

20th Bolton Food and Drink Festival with live music, food, drinks and ents over August Bank Holiday weekend boltonfoodanddrinkfestival.com

### More great things to do...

Plan your trip to Bolton with all you need to know including events, and stay at **visitbolton.com** 

Inspired to get fit? Then find out loads of fantastic ways to get active and healthy at letskeepboltonmoving.co.uk

Free activities and food for the young ones during the school holidays **bolton.gov.uk/HAF** 

### **Tell us what** you think...

We want to hear your views. Please let us know your thoughts on ourbolton@bolton.gov.uk

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### **Need more space for** your garden waste?

You can now order an extra green bin for an annual fee



Visit www.bolton.gov.uk/extragreenbin

### The Helpful House at The Square is now open

### Do you have a long term health condition, or look after someone who does?

Come and see the support services and gadgets

Our partners Age UK Bolton Bolton at Home – Careline Bolton Carers Support Group Bolton Council ILS-Telecare Bolton Deaf Society Bolton Dementia Support Group Empowered Carers Project (under the aegis of Age UKs Bolton & Salford) Henshaws We can also refer you to • Asian Elders Resource Centre, • Alzheimer's Society, + Haliwell Betriending Service, • NHS & Adult Social Care community teams • Senior Solutions, And many others Bolton



Bolton

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# **Meet your councillors...**

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