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# Affordable homes for Buxton people

**Leading Buxton councillor Fiona Sloman is on a mission to make sure new homes around the town are affordable for local families.**

Wherever new housing is being built – from Harpur Hill to Fairfield - she has battled to get a good deal for Buxton and High Peak families.

The latest scheme to be finished is on Granby Road, Fairfield, where all the homes will soon be occupied. The borough council has the sole nomination rights for rented housing; while other homes are a mix of shared ownership and rent-to-buy.

Fiona said: "Our homes are the foundations on which we build our lives and I want to see a variety of high-quality properties available across Buxton which meet local demand and help people into their own home.

"The Granby Road does just that by offering a range of affordable options for local people; while in Harpur Hill we negotiated a discount scheme for local buyers."



*High Peak housing chief and Buxton councillor, Fiona Sloman: on mission to help local people into housing*

## Wildlife boost

**Bees, butterflies and wildlife got a much-needed boost from Labour-led High Peak borough council in May, as mowing was suspended in Gadley Wood, and on Temple Fields, and Fairfield Road.**

*It is the first time the council has joined the #NoMowMay campaign – and it will be assessing the results with the aim of leaving more sites unmown next year.*

*Jean Todd, the Labour's lead councillor for Climate Change, Environment and Community Safety, said: "Pollinators such as bees and butterflies play a vital role in spreading pollen which encourages the growth of a wide diversity of plants, flowers and foods including fruit, nuts and vegetables.*

*"Nature recovery is central to our plans for tackling the climate emergency so I'm delighted that we joined the #NoMowMay campaign this year."*

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# Hogshaw Rec saved - update!

**Plans are afoot to turn Hogshaw into a wildlife haven, criss-crossed by a network of nature trails.**

As revealed in the March edition of the High Peak Rose, High Peak Borough Council has scrapped plans to build on Hogshaw Rec, following extensive consultations with the Government.

Labour councillors Rachael Quinn and Madeine Hall are now working with local groups including the Friends of Hogshaw, Buxton Civic Association, Transition Buxton and others to develop a green network through and around the area.

Rachael said: "The borough has put aside some money to develop green spaces across the borough – and we are hoping to use some of that to make Hogshaw a wildlife haven."

*Right: Buxton councillors Rachael Quinn and Madeline Hall who argued for the Hogshaw area to be retained as a green space.*



## Councillor initiative funding pot

Every Councillor on High Peak Borough Council gets a pot of £1000 to support community initiatives and groups working to improve things in your local area.

Past initiatives supported by the fund include everything from supporting youth groups, to buying litter pickers, signs on footpaths or help with heating costs. Contact your local councillor for more information.

## Help with heating costs



*Buxton families are being forced to use foodbanks as food, fuel and housing costs rise and as inflation hits 9.1%, and energy prices rocket, many families now face a choice between eating or heating.*

*Working with the residents of Fairfield Association (RoFA) Fairfield councillors Fiona Sloman and David Kerr have used their councillors initiative funding pot to help local families with energy vouchers.*

## How is the cost of living crisis hitting you?

**Which of your household bills has gone up the most?**

Please number 1 (highest) to 4 (lowest)

Food  Gas  Electric

Other (please state).....

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