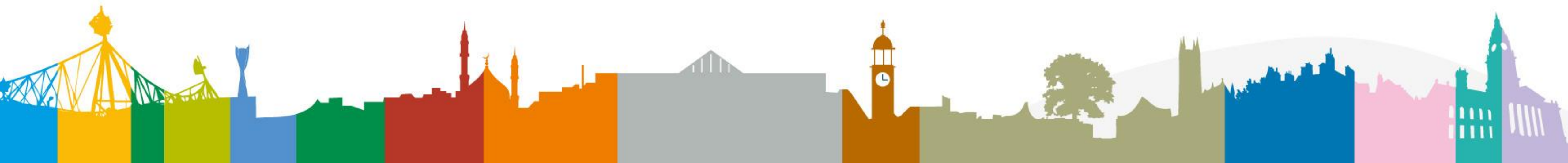


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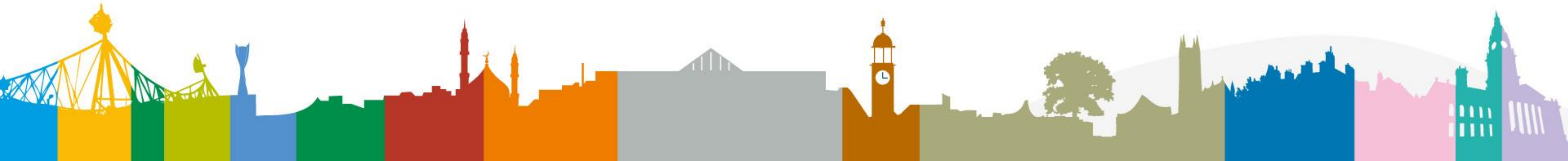
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- 7 municipal cemeteries dating back to the 1850s
- Additional large Muslim cemetery
- Municipal Crematorium in its own grounds
- 10 C of E churchyards



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The Plan for 2025

- Acknowledge previous failings
- Secure additional funding
- Act quickly to employ an agency team
- Equip the team properly
- Train the team properly
- Start as early as possible
- Commit to employ the team permanently



The Team



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Bolton Council launches borough wide cemeteries spring clean

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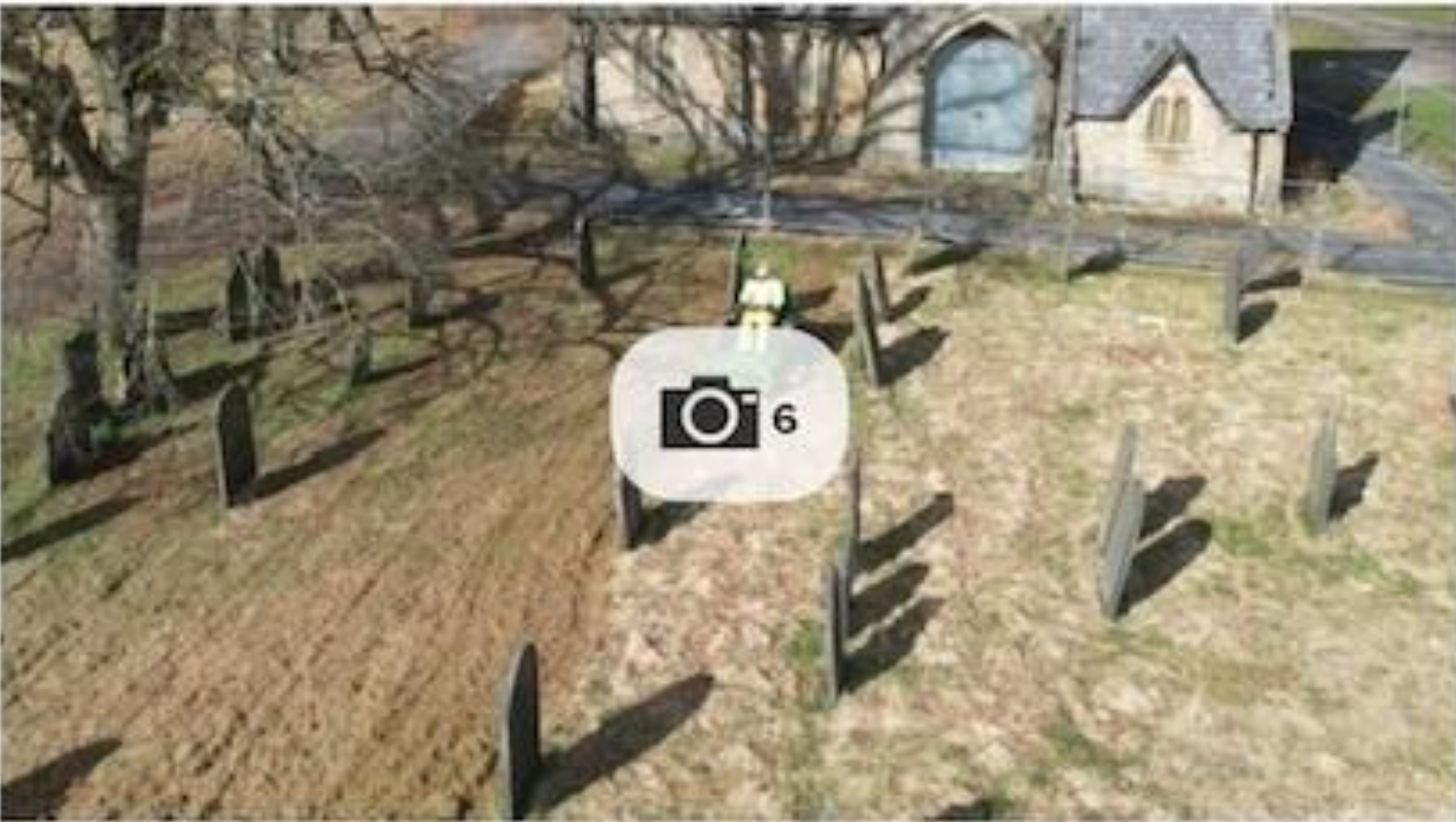
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Seven cemeteries have been tidied up extensively in the past few weeks



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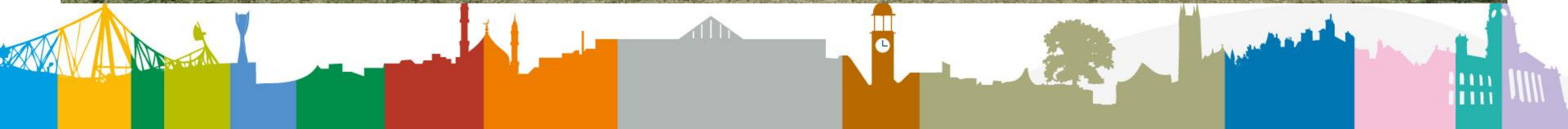
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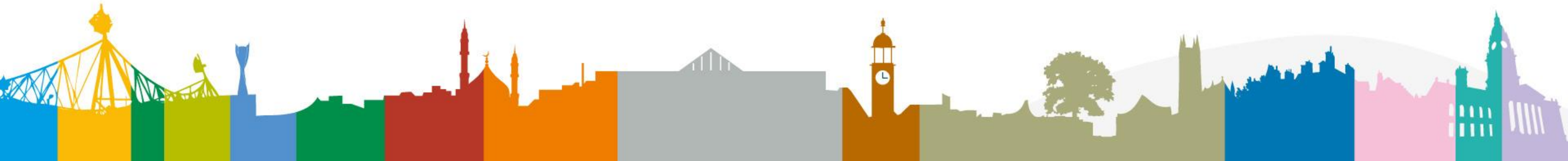






Future Plans

- Develop a maintenance regime for the rest of the cutting season
- Employ the staff on a full-time basis
- Build a list of essential works for the off-season
- Additional staff training – arbour work, other operational equipment etc.



Questions?

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