

Minutes of the **Statutory Annual Meeting of Bingham Town Council** held in The Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham, on **Tuesday, 4th May, 2010, at 7.00 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Councillor Mrs. M. Stockwood - Town Mayor in the Chair
" P. D. Abbey
" R. Barnett
" Mrs. A. Bryan
" G. Davidson
" J. Eagles
" A. J. Hall
" Mrs. S. J. Hull
" F. E. Kerry
" Mrs. J. M. Marshall
" Councillor F. Purdue-Horan
" A. Shelton
" J. A. Stockwood

Opening prayers, lead by the Reverend D. Harper, were said prior to the start of the meeting.

1. ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR 2010/2011:

Councillor Mrs. M. Stockwood was duly elected Mayor for the ensuing year and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

2. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR:

Councillor A. Shelton was duly elected as Deputy Town Mayor for the ensuing year and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillor C. Lancaster.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Declarations of Interest were declared as per the individual Minutes of the Committee meetings.

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5. QUALITY STATUS AWARD PRESENTATION:

Councillor John Cranswick, Treasurer of N.A.L.C. and a member of the Q.P.S. accreditation panel, presented the Mayor with the Quality Status Award Certificate and congratulated the Clerk on Bingham being one of the few Councils to receive re-accreditation at this moment in time.

6. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES:

It was agreed that Committee membership should remain as per 2009/10. The Town Mayor and Deputy Mayor are members of all Committees as per the Standings Orders. (See attached marked 'A').

It was

RESOLVED that the Committee membership for the ensuing year remains the same, with the appointment of Chairman and Vice-Chairman taking place at the next Committee meetings.

7. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES:

It was agreed that membership should be as follows:-

01 Butt Field Sports Clubs Management Committee

The constitution of this Committee had been amended last year. However, Butt Field Sports Clubs' representatives assured Councillors that a Bingham Town Councillor would be more than welcome to attend their meetings.

02 Friends of Linear Park

It was agreed to defer this matter to the next meeting of the Recreational & Cemetery Committee.

03 Bingham Twinning Association

Town Mayor, Councillor Mrs. M. Stockwood.

04 Trustees of Wycombe House

Councillor J. Stockwood was elected as the Town Council's representative.

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7. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES continued...

The Clerk confirmed that the Reverend Christine Perry had been in contact, asking whether or not a Town Councillor would be prepared to be a Governor on the board of Robert Miles Infants' School. It was agreed to defer this matter to the next meeting of the Community Committee.

8. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 9th March, 2010, Folio 6239, having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Town Mayor as a true record.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

All Committee reports were presented and it was

RESOLVED to approve the following recommendations:-

- (a) Planning Committee - 23rd March, 2010, Folio 6245

It was

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of this Committee be accepted.

- (b) Community Committee – 23rd March, 2010, Folio 6249

Item 3.01 (a) – Town News (Folio 6250)

It was

RESOLVED to approve six bi-monthly editions of the Town News which leaves scope for any consultation/questionnaires to be distributed in the intervening months.

Item 4.00 – Community Resilience (Emergency Planning) Working Group (Folio 6251)

Full Council agreed that this should be deferred to the next meeting of the Community Committee.

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9. **COMMITTEE REPORTS** continued.....

Item 5.01 – Nottinghamshire County Council Local Improvement Scheme (Folio 6251)

It was

RESOLVED to apply for a seat to be placed on Butt Field under this scheme.

It was

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of this Committee be accepted with the following amendment:-

- (i) Folio 6250 – Item 3.01 (c)

Heading to read "*Bingham Business Club*".

- (c) Recreational & Cemetery Committee – 30th March, 2010, Folio 6254

It was

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of this Committee be accepted.

- (d) Planning Committee – 13th April, 2010, Folio 6258

It was

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of this Committee be accepted.

- (e) Environment Committee, 13th April, 2010, Folio 6262

It was

RESOLVED to support the Smarter Choices town project run by Nottinghamshire County Council and that the Minutes of the meeting of this Committee be accepted.

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9. COMMITTEE REPORTS continued.....

(f) Policy & Resources Committee, 20th April, 2010, Folio 6266

It was

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of this Committee be approved, subject to the following amendments:-

(i) Folio 6267, Item 9.01 – Town Pavilion Site

Insert the words "*for barrier*" after "*quotations*".

(ii) Private & Confidential Minute 2010/021

02 Butt Field

Amend "*.....31st March, 2010*", to read "*31st March, 2011*".

It was also

RESOLVED to approve Budget Report 'A' up to 31st March, 2010, Accounts for Payment (Report 'B') and Accounts Paid (Report 'C'). It was also agreed that a meeting be held to discuss Bingham 2020 after the 2010 Annual Town Meeting had taken place and to refer the quotation for a barrier on the Town Pavilion site to the next meeting of the Recreational & Cemetery Committee.

(g) Other Reports

Apologies were received from County Councillor Martin Suthers and there were no other reports given.

It was

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the Reports and Recommendations of all the Committees and Working Groups referred to be approved.

10. CONFIRMATION OF INSURANCE RENEWAL:

The Clerk confirmed the revised insurance quotation and it was agreed to approve acceptance as this included a three year long-term agreement discount commencing 2009.

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11. CORRESPONDENCE:

01 Best Kept Village Competition

Approval was given to entering the 2010 Best Kept Village Competition.

02 Toothill School

A letter had been received thanking the Mayor and Councillor Purdue-Horan for attending the school to talk about local democracy and citizenship.

03 B.H.T.A. – Location of Roman Well

A letter had been received requesting permission for a possible siting at the entrance to the cemetery. This matter to be referred to the Community Committee.

04 Dog Bin

A letter had been received from a resident requesting that a dog bin be sited on Ringwood Road. This to be referred to the Environment Committee.

05 H.S.S.P. Architects

It was agreed to refer this letter in connection with Butt Field to the Recreational & Cemetery Committee.

12. OBSERVATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:

(a) Notts. P.C.T.

A member of the public felt there had been a lack of communication with the Primary Care Trust. During these observations, Councillor Purdue-Horan was offended by a comment made by a member of the public, and, after the request for an apology was refused, he left the meeting.

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13. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE NEXT BUSINESS, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS PROPOSED, SECONDED AND CARRIED:

"That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw. "

The following matters were discussed:-

P&C 020/021 - BUTT FIELD PROJECT

P&C 021 - STAFFING MATTERS

P&C 021 - VEHICLES

It was

RESOLVED to approve the above P&C 020 to P&C 021 Minutes.

14. CONFIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE:

There were no items of confidential correspondence for consideration received.

As there was no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 8.55 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN.
Date:

Mayor's Announcements prior to the commencement of the Statutory Annual Meeting of Bingham Town Council held in The Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham, on Tuesday, 4th May, 2010, at 7.00 p.m.

Since the last meeting the Town Mayor announced she had attended the following events:-

- 1.00 Wednesday, 10th March, 2010.** Attended Young Musician's Final (Rotary) held at Robert Miles Junior School.
- 2.00 Friday, 2nd April, 2010.** Attended the opening of the Rotary Art Exhibition held at Radcliffe-on-Trent.
- 3.00 Sunday, 18th April, 2010.** Supported the Mayor of Rushcliffe's Charity held at the Yeung Sing Restaurant in Bingham.
- 4.00 Tuesday, 20th April, 2010.** Attended the Parish Conference which was held at Cotgrave Place, followed by a reception for Chairmen and Clerks.
- 5.00 Tuesday, 27th April, 2010** - Annual Town Meeting.
- 6.00 Tuesday, 4th May, 2010.** Joined by Councillors Suthers and Purdue-Horan to select the finalists of the clock design to be judged by the public.

After the announcements, a presentation was made by Chris Branson, on behalf of Butt Field Sports Clubs, to the Mayor of a canvas print of the 'Opening of the Butt Field Sports Pavilion. The print had been won by a member of Butt Field Sports Club in a photography competition.

