

## **What the Council does**

### **Allotments**

The Council operates an allotment site at Hill Drive. There is currently a waiting list due to the fact that a former allotment site had to be closed down due to it being deemed contaminated land.

### **Cemetery**

The Town Cemetery is on The Banks and has burial plots, a Garden of Rest and a Memorial Tower. Plots can be reserved in some areas. Contact the Town Clerk for details.

### **Civic Functions and Duties**

The Town Mayor has represented the Council at various civic functions in Nottinghamshire and Lincolnshire and has attended events organised by local clubs and organisations in Bingham. The Town Council makes annual Civic Awards to local people who have made considerable contributions to the community and these are presented at a Civic Reception held each February. The Council holds an annual Civic Service and all residents are welcome to attend.

### **Events and Promotion**

The Council is responsible for the organisation of the Bingham Festival and Town Fair, Carol singing, Garden competition, Festive Window competition, Christmas lighting display and the display of Hanging Baskets in summer.

### **Old Court House**

The Council purchased the Old Court House in 1998 and since then it has been renovated and made fully accessible for the disabled. The building houses the Council Offices, Council Chamber, Committee rooms and the Register Office. Other offices are let to provide an income to help cover the costs of maintenance. The Council Chamber and Committee rooms are available for hire. Contact the Town Clerk for details.

### **Play Areas**

Play equipment is provided and maintained by the Council at Carnarvon play area, Crow Close and Wychwood Road. These areas are now all fully accessible in accordance with the Disability Discrimination act

### **Sports Fields**

The Council maintains sports fields at Butt Field and Wynhill. Butt Field has been developed and now there is a Sports Pavilion along with several floodlit football/training pitches along with a cricket pitch. The Sports Pavilion is supported by a ground source heat pump and plans are in progress to erect a wind turbine on the site.

### **Town Centre**

The Council works in partnership with Rushcliffe Borough Council and Nottinghamshire County Council to enhance the appearance of the town centre and to attempt to solve the traffic and parking problems. The Council has provided a CCTV system in the Market Square and Eaton Place precinct.