

Bingham Town Council News



July 2018

FORTHCOMING TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Tuesday 10 July 2018	Planning/Community & Environment	7pm
Tuesday 24 July 2018	Recreation & Amenities	7pm
Tuesday 7 August 2018	Planning/Policy & Resources	7pm
Tuesday 21 August 2018	Full Council	7pm
Tuesday 4 September 2018	Planning/Community & Environment	7pm

Agendas of upcoming meetings can be found on the Council's website www.bingham-tc.gov.uk and four noticeboards in the town.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2018

The Council tends to operate quietly from its base at the Old Court House but the past year has been unusual because of the amount of changes.

- The Civic year started with one Town Mayor but finished with a different Town Mayor;
- We welcomed a new Town Clerk and two administrative assistants;
- Across the year there were 19 Councillors as a result of 5 Councillor resignations;
- Elections were held and 5 new Councillors joined the Council;
- The political power changed from the Independents to the Conservatives;
- Committees changed and the frequency of Council and Committee meetings altered;
- A long standing member of our grounds staff retired.

Whilst all of the above changes took place, the work of Council continued:

- 40 Council and Committee meetings took place;
- The Mayor and Deputy Mayor are members of every Committee;
- 70 planning applications were considered;
- 9 grant awards were made to local community groups;
- 3 community events were held in the Market Place.

Council is supported by:

- 3 part-time administrative staff;
- 1 part-time Deputy Clerk and 1 part-time Clerk;
- In the office the longest serving member of staff has been with the Council 2.5 years;
- 2 full time grounds men;
- 1 part-time cleaner.

The office staff have spent a significant part of the past year on internal facing commitments. In the current year there remains an element of internal facing projects but the focus of the office will be turning toward delivering projects that will benefit the community.

In the Annual Town Meeting, the Mayor updated residents on these projects:

- It was expected that a new planning application for the Old Police Station site would be coming to the Council.
- The redevelopment of the playparks should start to move at a swifter pace over the coming months.
- Work continues to find a solution to the parking issues; with the former allotment site being identified as the potential long-term car park.

Councillor Rowan Bird spoke about his six months as Town Mayor, describing it as a very enjoyable time. One of the highlights of his term of office included learning about the Rosie May Foundation, and he thanked everybody for their support. He was particularly pleased that £350 was raised for Vale First Responders, which was chosen as the Mayor's Charity; the money was used to purchase 12 sets of defibrillator pads, which will benefit the community.

CONTACTING THE TOWN COUNCIL

If you have any queries relating to Town Council issues please contact us at Bingham Town Council, The Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham, NG13 8AL.

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SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2018

INCOME		BUDGET	ACTUAL
£ 36,791.47		£ 282,375.00	£ 323,367.84
		Payments minus Recs	£ 286,576.37
		Precept	£ 251,908.00
		Overspend	£ 34,668.37
Creditors	£ 5,103.11		
Debtors	£ 3,099.87		
	Reserves at 31 March 2018		
	Community	£ 2,820.00	
	Environment	£ 2,500.00	
	Recreation	£ 100,191.00	
	Depot	£ 25,246.00	
	Old Court House	£ 6,265.00	
	Risk Management	£ 13,500.00	
	Land & Property Development	£ 138,519.00	
	General Reserve	£ 137,248.40	
	Reserve Totals	£ 426,289.40	
	General Reserve Ringfenced		
	Playparks	£ 25,000.00	
	Former Allotments Site	£ 25,000.00	
	Neighbourhood Dev Plan	£ 5,000.00	
	General Reserve minus Ringfenced	£ 82,248.40	