Minutes of a Meeting of the Community Committee of Bingham Town Council held in The Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham, on Tuesday, 15th May, 2012, at 7.30 p.m.

### PRESENT:

Councillor M. Barham

- Mrs. S. Hull
- " T. Kerry
- " Mrs. J. Marshall
- " F. Purdue-Horan
- " Mrs. M. Stockwood

## 1.00 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN:

Councillor M. Barham was duly elected as Chairman for the ensuing year.

## 2.00 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN:

Councillor Mrs. J. Marshall was duly elected as Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.

## 3.00 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

There were no Apologies for Absence received.

## 4.00 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

### 5.00 MINUTES:

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The Minutes of the meeting held on the 20th March, 2012, having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

### 01 Matters Arising (For information)

There were no Matters Arising for information to report.

## 6.00 WORKING GROUPS - RATIFICATION OF MEMBERSHIP:

## 01 Promotions Working Group

Councillors Barham, Mrs. S. Hull, Mrs. J. Marshall and Mrs. T. Kerry with a view to setting up small specific workings groups on a 'task and finish' basis as appropriate to; the first group, comprising of Councillors Barham and Mrs. S. Hull, plus two other interested Councillors, to look at website issues. The Clerk to e-mail all Councillors requesting two volunteers.

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## 02 <u>Community Building Working Group</u>

After a brief discussion it was agreed that, as the project progressed, it may be necessary for this group to report to the Policy & Resources Committee as there would be resource implications. For the moment, however, it would remain reporting to the Community Committee; members to be Councillors Barham Mrs. T. Kerry, Purdue-Horan and Mrs. M. Stockwood.

## 7.00 PROMOTION ISSUES:

## 01 <u>Diamond Jubilee</u>

The Clerk gave a brief update, and arrangements were in place. Donations had been received from the Crown Estate and Borough Councillors G. Davidson and F. Purdue-Horan from their Borough Council allowances. The actual lighting of the beacon on Butt Field was to take place at 10.15 p.m. on the 4th June, 2012.

## 02 Town Fair

The Clerk gave a brief update, and arrangements were going well. Councillor Mrs. Hull to provide details of an activity which may be able to be booked.

### 03 Website

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Councillor Mrs. Hull confirmed the contact put forward earlier was now unable to undertake the work in relation to quoting for a new website.

## 8.00 <u>COMMUNITY ISSUES</u>:

## 01 Community Building Correspondence

In response to a letter received from Toothill School in relation to a joint community facility, Councillors Barham, Mrs. T. Kerry and Purdue-Horan to meet with representatives from the school.

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## 02 Community Safety:

## (a) Priority Setting Group

See notes attached of meeting held on the 12th April, 2012.

## (b) Speedwatch Group

A letter received requesting the setting up of a speedwatch group for Bingham was noted. The Clerk responded with a letter confirming that a previous group had folded due to a lack of volunteers. Councillors requested that the County Council be asked to provide an interactive speed sign on Grantham Road. Clerk to progress.

# 03 Surplus Nottinghamshire County Council Land:

Councillor Purdue-Horan reported that whilst at a Nottinghamshire County Council meeting discussing localism and the lengthsman scheme, a request was made by the County Council that parishes identify the pockets of Nottinghamshire County Council land within their boundaries. Clerk to liaise with County Council.

# 04 Format of Future Annual Town Meetings:

It was agreed that the Promotions Working Group consider the format of the Annual Town Meeting. All Councillors to be invited to attend when the matter is being discussed.

# 9.00 CORRESPONDENCE:

There were no items of correspondence received for consideration.

As there was no further business to transact, the meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.

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Date	•••••

# Nottinghamshire Police

# Rushcliffe South (Northern Cluster) Priority Setting Meeting

Chairman: Bill Sylvester Email: bill.sylvester@sky.com

# NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2012 AT THE GRANGE, RADCLIFFE-ON-TRENT

**Attendance.** K Auckland, J Bettinson, R Morley, A Gee, R Clarke, M Walker, N Hanson, S Barker, B Sylvester. Inspector Phil Hallam and Steve Mathias attended from the police. Apologies for absence were received from Norma Broomham, and David and Jean Griffin.

### Item 1. Recent police activity.

- Significant progress being made on metal theft by concentrating on dealers. Recent example of one reporting two teenagers on suspicion of having stolen the metal. Number of thefts is dropping markedly.
- Progress on speeding is less easy to record. However, the permission for PCSOs to operate the speed gun means that more time can be spent on this priority in hot spots.
- Reported ASB is reducing largely due to the use of police teams to focus on particular trouble-spots. Significant number of complaints are about noise which is not normally a police matter, but should be reported to Environmental Health at the Council.

#### Item 2. Street Lighting.

- The issue was raised because of concerns about crime levels at night following the decision to switch streetlights off. Conflicting messages had been received as to whether crime levels were rising or falling.
- Insp Hallam explained that there was insufficient data to give a definitive answer either way.
   One of the problems is that the police computers record a crime according to when it is reported. However, work is being done to try and come up with a clearer picture.
- There was discussion around two specific issues, namely, cyclists on unlit roads, and the
  problems of pedestrians leaving well lit places and therefore not being able to see in darker
  streets.
- Radcliffe is currently compiling views before approaching the Borough Council.

#### Item3. Priority survey results.

- 29 submissions for the three months Jan Mar 2012.
- Vehicle offences including illegal parking, speeding, etc were the top comment.
- Overall, there was no clear pattern to the returns.

## Item 4. Police view of current priorities.

- Metal theft had been a useful heading as it also affected a number of other problems such as trespass, opportunity theft etc. However, it is a Force-wide priority and progress is being made, so need not be a local priority.
- Speeding is still a major concern, and the change in the status of PCSOs will allow a bit more attention to this problem.
- The ASB issue in Bingham has now moved to Butt Field.

### Item 5. Priorities for next three months.

After discussion the following were agreed:

- Speeding at hotspots Meadowsweet Hill and Ashdown Grove in Bingham
- Speeding on Cliff Hill Lane in Aslockton.
- · ASB focussing on Butt Field, Bingham

In addition, representatives agreed to warn communities about a possible rise in thefts from buildings other than residential, including farm outbuildings, sheds etc.

The next meeting will be held on 12<sup>th</sup> July in Bingham.