

Minutes of a Meeting of the **Community Committee** of Bingham Town Council held in The Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham, on **Tuesday, 11th November, 2014, at 7.25 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Councillor	A. Harvey - Chairman
"	M. Barham
"	G. Davidson
"	Mrs. S. Hull

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Councillor T. Fox
 " F. Purdue-Horan
 Mr. P. Mason, Lidl Acquisitions Manager
 1 Press
 2 Members of the Public

1.00 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPTANCE:

Apologies for Absence and Acceptance were received and accepted from the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Mrs. T. Kerry, and Mrs. J. Marshall.

2.00 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

3.00 MINUTES:

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 7th October, 2014, having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

01 Matters Arising

There were no Matters Arising out of the Minutes of the meeting held on the 7th October, 2014.

4.00 PRESENTATION BY MR. PAUL MASON, LIDL ACQUISITIONS MANAGER:

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Mason to the meeting and thanked him for attending. Mr. Mason acknowledged there had been problems in relation to the public consultation held on the 29th October, 2014, and that there would be a further public consultation. Mr. Mason agreed to leave the presentation boards from the last consultation with the Town Council. He suggested that amendments could be made in relation to the ratio of disabled car-parking spaces and the period of time parking was allowed.

Lidl was hoping to submit a planning application within the next few weeks; this is subject to a thirteen weeks' timescale and there would be a six months' building period. Lidl was hopeful that the store would be opened prior to December, 2015.

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4.00 PRESENTATION BY MR. PAUL MASON, LIDL ACQUISITIONS MANAGER continued.....

A tree survey had been undertaken and all the trees on the site fell in Category C - these were, generally, self-seeded, however, Lidl would respond to advice from Rushcliffe Borough Council. Mr. Mason responded to a series of questions from Committee and other members.

5.00 MATTERS RELATING TO PROMOTION ISSUES:

01 Christmas Fair, 5th December, 2014 – Update

The Clerk confirmed that forty stalls had been booked – twenty charity/community groups, seventeen commercial with three awaiting receipt of payment. A waiting list was also in place, and Councillors agreed that community groups should take priority on the waiting list. Unfortunately, the Musical Theatre Group had pulled out. However, a Wind Ensemble had been approached with a view to performing.

02 Impact of Rushcliffe Borough Council's Improvements to Market Place on Future Christmas Fairs re. Lights, Etc.

It was reported that improvements would not now take place until the New Year. Therefore, there would be no problems regarding the 2014 Christmas lights. However, other arrangements will be necessary for next year. It was agreed to refer this matter to a future meeting once remedial works had been undertaken.

6.00 CONSIDERATION OF BUDGETS FOR 2015/2016, INCLUDING:

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| 01 | <u>Community</u> |) | |
| | |) | See attached reports. (Appendix 'A') |
| 02 | <u>Promotion</u> |) | |

In respect of the Community budget, it was agreed that, as there was a copy of the Town Map in the Town Guide which was delivered to every household, the A3 maps sales would be discontinued. The Town Clerk was asked to place a PDF copy of the town map on the Council's website, and the Library would be asked to retain an A3 copy of the map for the public to copy if they so wished.

In respect of the Promotions budget, it was agreed to increase the Town Guide and Town News costs by a total of £500.00 to take account of increased delivery and printing costs.

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7.00 FRIENDS OF NOTICEBOARDS - UPDATE:

The Clerk confirmed that there had been a meeting with volunteers who were happy to tidy the noticeboards had been given a few guidelines. Any inappropriate notices or remedial work would be reported to the Town Council Office. The Clerk had thanked the volunteers

8.00 MATTERS RELATING TO POLICING ISSUES:

01 Police – Update

Unfortunately a report had not been received. However, the Chairman confirmed that the next Police Liaison Committee meeting was due to be held on the 4th December, 2014.

9.00 MATTERS RELATING TO COMMUNITY ISSUES:

01 Positive Futures – Update

Whilst a lot of work had been undertaken, the results for Bingham had initially been disappointing compared with results in other areas. However, the team was working hard to address this issue and it was also fund-raising for portable equipment for the group. The Group was working well with the Police who had noticed some beneficial effects.

10.00 WEBSITE REPORT:

The October statistics on website activity were noted. Rushcliffe Borough Council had changed its planning portal system and this was presenting a few problems regarding linking individual applications to the Bingham Town Council website. The website provider had requested an additional £100.00 to address this issue. Councillors agreed there was only a need to link to the planning portal on the Borough Council's website rather than to individual applications.

11.00 TOWN & PARISH FORUM, 15TH OCTOBER, 2014, - UPDATE:

(<http://www.rushcliffe.gov.uk/aboutus/newsandpublications/latestnews/name,30513,en.php>)

The Chairman gave a brief summary of the presentations at the Town & Parish Forum, and recommended Councillors should view them on Rushcliffe Borough Council's website.

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12.00 **GIFT FOR TWIN TOWN, WALLENFELS:**

Further to a request from the last Full Council (Minutes 4th November, 2014, Mayor’s Announcements, refer), it was agreed that the Clerk would investigate the commissioning of a lace piece depicting the Buttercross with a view to framing it and presenting to twin town, Wallenfels, during the visit to them in August, 2015.

13.00 **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- 01 Better Broadband for Nottinghamshire Update Session from 2.30 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. on 27th November, 2014, at the National Water Sports Centre

This event was noted. The Chairman confirmed that a response had been received from Nottinghamshire County Council stating that the aim was to cover 94.8% of Nottinghamshire by a combination of both the commercial rollout and the Better Broadband for Nottinghamshire Programme. There are insufficient funds to achieve 100%. Bingham is covered by two networks (Virgin Media and BT) which enable all of Bingham to access broadband but not necessarily super-fast broadband speeds. Some areas are excluded under the current phase. However, as the programme progresses and technology advances, it is hoped that additional coverage in Bingham will be achieved in Phase 2 Superfast Broadband Extension Programme.

- 02 Nottinghamshire County Council Budget Consultation

The Chairman confirmed that the consultation was underway and noted that libraries and social care were under threat.

As there was no further business to transact, the meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN.

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2015/2016 BUDGETS RECOMMENDED BY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE 11TH NOVEMBER, 2014

Community

	Budget	Actual	Estimated	Budget
	2014/2015	@	31-Mar-15	2015/2016
		30-Sep-14		
<u>Expenditure</u>				
CCTV Maintenance	700	0	400	700
Notice Boards	200	0	50	200
Town Map	15	0	10	0
Trans to Comm. Reserve	350	0	350	350
	1265	0	810	1265
<u>Less Income</u>				
Map sales	-15	0	-10	0
CCTV Grant				
	1250	0	800	1250

PROMOTIONS

	Budget	Actual	Estimated	Budget
	2014/2015	@	31-Mar-15	2015/2016
		30-Sep-14		
<u>Expenditure</u>				
Town Fair	7000	3580	5580	7000
Christmas Fair	2750	151	2750	2750
Christmas lights	6500	0	6500	6500
Other promotions	1000	-72	500	1000
Web Site	1500	1200	1200	1500
Town News/leaflets	2000	568	2500	2500
Town Guide/Promotional Literature	0	0	0	2100
Market Celebrations	1500	1188	1188	0
WW1 Commemoration	250	0	0	0
	22500	6615	20218	23350
<u>Less Income</u>				
Other Promotions (Mkt Celebration)		-1800	-1800	
Town Fair	-4000	-2730	-2730	-4000
Christmas Fair	-1200	-910	-1200	-1200
	17300	1175	14488	18150