

Mayor's Announcements prior to the commencement of the Full Council Meeting of Bingham Town Council held in The Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham, on Tuesday, 14th January, 2014, at 7.00 p.m.

Since the last meeting, the Town Mayor announced that she or a representative had attended the following events:-

- 1.00 Friday, 8th November, 2013, attending Newark Town Mayor's Race Night.
- 2.00 Sunday, 10th November, 2013, attended Remembrance Day Service at Bingham Parish Church.
- 3.00 Monday, 11th November, 2013, Remembrance Day, attended Act of Remembrance in Bingham Market Place.
- 4.00 Friday, 22nd November, 2013, Hosted 'Meet the Mayor' event at The Old Court House.
- 5.00 Sunday, 24th November, 2013, Hosted 'Sunday Lunch with the Mayor' at The Bingham in aid of Mayor's Charity.
- 6.00 Friday, 6th December, 2013, Together with the Mayor of Rushcliffe, attended Bingham Christmas Fair.
- 7.00 Thursday, 12th December, 2013, the Deputy Mayor, Councillor G. Davidson, attended Carols under the Buttercross with primary schoolchildren from Robert Miles Junior and Carnarvon Schools.
- 8.00 Thursday, 26th December, 2013, attended meeting of the Belvoir Hunt at St. Peter's Hill, Grantham.

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PRESENT:

Councillor G. Davidson - Chairman
 " P. Abbey
 " A. Ashmore
 " M. Barham
 " J. Eagles
 " T. Fox
 " Mrs. S. Hull
 " Mrs. T. Kerry
 " Mrs. J. Marshall
 " F. Purdue-Horan
 " J. Stockwood
 " Mrs. M. Stockwood
 County Councillor M. Suthers
 10 Members of the public
 1 Press

Prior to the commencement of the formal meeting, prayers, led by the Reverend David Harper, were said.

1. **MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS: (as per list attached)**

2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPTANCE:**

Apologies for absence and acceptance were received from Councillors Mrs. A. Bryan and A. Harvey.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

4. **MINUTES:**

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 5th November, 2013, (Folios 7133/7141), having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Town Mayor as a true record, subject to the following amendment:-

01 **Folio 7140, Item, 10 – Notice of Motion**

Councillor Mrs. M. Stockwood's comment to read:-

"Councillor Mrs. M. Stockwood confirmed that Rushcliffe Borough Council does not have a Community Infrastructure Levy, and Section 106 Agreements would remain in force. "

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5. **MATTERS ARISING:**

There were no Matters Arising for information to report.

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

All Committee reports were presented and it was

RESOLVED to approve the following recommendations:-

(a) Planning Committee, 19th November, 2013, Folio 7142

Councillor Mrs. S. Hull presented her report and it was

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

(b) Community Committee – 19th November, 2013, Folio 7145

In the absence of Councillor A. Harvey, the Deputy Chairman, Councillor M. Barham, presented his report and it was

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

(c) Recreational & Cemetery Committee, 26th November, 2013, Folio 7152

Councillor J. Stockwood presented his report and it was

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

(d) Planning Committee, 3rd December, 2013, Folio 7160

Councillor Mrs. S. Hull presented her report and it was

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

(e) Environment Committee, 3rd December, 2013, Folio 7161

Councillor J. Eagles presented his report and it was

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

A **RECOMMENDATION** regarding the colour scheme of the planting of flower baskets to commemorate WW1 was approved.

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6. COMMITTEE REPORTS continued

(f) Planning Committee, 10th December, 2013, Folio 7168

Councillor Mrs. S. Hull presented her report and it was

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

(g) Policy & Resources Committee, 10th December, 2013, Folio 7170

Councillor G. Davidson presented his report and it was

RESOLVED:-

- 01 To approve Budget Reports 'A', 'B' 'C' up to 30th November, 2013, and 'D'.
- 02 To approve of no change to the current Committee structure although, however, to continue monitoring the Committee workloads.
- 03 Approval of budgets subject to confirmation of transitional relief being confirmed by Rushcliffe Borough Council and a further resolution by Bingham Town Council to confirm the precept.
- 04 Approval of grant aid for £196.76 to Friends of Linear Park and £163.20 to Bingham Business Club.
- 05 Approval of subscriptions as per Minutes of the Policy & Resources Committee.
- 06 Approval of Calendar of Meetings, subject to statutory confirmation date of 2015 Statutory Annual Meeting due to timing of elections.
- 07 To approve Constitution, page 16, item 11, 'Resolutions Moved on Notice' to remain unchanged. Page 23, item 33, 'Canvassing of, and Recommendations by Members' to be amended to read "*paid appointments*".
- 08 To approve recommendation as per Minutes re. Community-Led Plan.

It was

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

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6. COMMITTEE REPORTS continued

It was

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the Reports and Recommendations of all the Committees and Working Groups referred to, including Private & Confidential matters, be approved.

7. REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS:

01 County Councillor M. Suthers

- (a) County Councillor Suthers confirmed that highway works in relation to Market Street being a one-way street were scheduled. However, there would be further discussion with residents regarding parking on Cherry Street.
- (b) The level crossing upgrade would be beneficial to Bingham residents as it would reduce waiting times.
- (c) The positioning of an interactive sign on Tythby Road was imminent.
- (d) Regarding the Nottinghamshire County Council budget cuts, Councillor Suthers said he had received two petitions – one objecting to the closure of the Youth Club and the other about the closure of Langar Recycling Centre – which would be presented at a meeting on Thursday, the 16th January, 2014. Councillors Suthers said he was also aware of an e-petition and that there were concerns of the knock-on effect of fly-tipping in the area if the Langar Tip closed.

02 Borough Councillor Mrs. M. Stockwood

- (a) Borough Councillor Mrs. M. Stockwood confirmed that meetings had been held about the Local Plan and the reduction in finance available for the Borough Council.
- (b) Councillor Mrs. Stockwood told Councillors that Bingham's allocation of new houses had been met by the recent major planning application in relation to the Crown Estate which had now been approved, along with that of Tesco. Rushcliffe Borough Council would be offering further transitional relief to the Town Council. However, this would be a lower figure than the previous year and reduced further for 2015/16.

03 Borough Councillor F. Purdue-Horan

Councillor Purdue-Horan said that the Borough Council's move to the Health Centre had been positive and was proving to be very busy.

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7. **REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS** continued...

04 Borough Councillor J. Stockwood

Councillor Stockwood confirmed that the green bin service would be in the future a partnership venture with Newark & Sherwood District Council.

05 Borough Councillor G. Davidson

Councillor Davidson reaffirmed Councillor Purdue-Horan's comments regarding Rushcliffe Borough Council's move to the Health Centre.

8. **OTHER REPORTS:**

There were no other reports for consideration received.

9. **PITCH WORKS AT WYNHILL RUGBY CLUB SITE:**

Approval was given to a one-off budget of £1,510.00 for pitch works at the Wynhill Rugby Club site to be funded from reserves.

10. **OLD CHURCH HOUSE:**

Approval was given to a grant of £2,250.00 in relation to the Old Church House following receipt of additional information.

11. **BUDGET & PRECEPT 2014/2015:**

It was

UNANIMOUSLY AGREED to approve all Committee budgets and that the precept be finalised at a meeting to be held in February, subject to confirmation by Rushcliffe Borough Council of transitional relief.

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12. COMMUNITY-LED PLAN:

Consideration was given of the way forward in relation to the above and the following motion was

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED:

"That this Council commission's the support of RCAN to help facilitate the development of a community-led plan (CLP) which would inform the creation of a neighbourhood plan at an appropriate time, and that a small group of four members, including the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, be set up as soon as possible."

13. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S BUDGET CONSULTATION:

Consideration was given to a formal response on the above which ends on the 17th January, 2014. It was agreed that the Clerk writes to the County Council, confirming that the Town Council objects strongly to the disproportionate effect on the community of Bingham of proposed cuts by Nottinghamshire County Council, referring especially to the closure of the youth centre, the waste-recycling facility at Langar and cuts to services for the elderly and adding that management structure at Nottinghamshire County Council should be reviewed to enable savings to be made prior to axing of any services.

14. CORRESPONDENCE:

01 Nottinghamshire Association of Local Councils

Notification received that the Quality Council Scheme is still under review.

15. OBSERVATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:

The following issues were raised by members of the public:

- 01 Market Place being likened to a Parisian Square
- 02 Possibility of Community Chest monies being used for Bingham Youth Centre.
- 03 Precept – Income & Expenditure, along with Reserves.
- 04 Do developers contribute to town infrastructure?
- 05 Concerns over roads and parking.
- 06 Query re. Environment Minutes.

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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:-

01 PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES 68

As there was no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 9.40 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN.
Date: