

**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 July, 2015, at 7.00 p.m.**

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

- 1.00 Saturday, 6th June, 2015, attended Mad Hatter Tea Party at Maggies.
- 2.00 Saturday, 13th June, 2015, in the the Mayor's absence, the Deputy Town Mayor, Councillor Alan Harvey, escorted by Councillor Rowan Bird, attended Bingham Town Fair.
- 3.00 Monday, 22nd June, 2015, attended an informal meeting with the Crown Estate.
- 4.00 Tuesday, 23rd June, 2015, visited Ashlea School at Cotgrave (Mayor's 2015/2016 charity).
- 5.00 Wednesday, 24th June, 2015, attended Crown Estate Presentation in London.
- 6.00 Sunday, 28th June, 2015, attended Charter Trustees of Grantham and Nottinghamshire County Council's Civic Services which were held in the morning and afternoon respectively.
- 7.00 Saturday, 11th July, 2015, attended B-Fest organised by Butt Field Sports Clubs and held on Butt Field.

Minutes of a meeting of **Bingham Town Council** held in The Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham, on **Tuesday, 14th July, 2015**, at **7.00 p.m.**

**PRESENT:**

Councillor Mrs. T. Kerry – Chairman  
 " R. Bird  
 " G. Davidson  
 " J. Ferguson  
 " A. Harvey  
 " K. Hayes-Heath  
 " Mrs. L. Hutchison  
 " Mrs. A. Langford  
 " Mrs. S. Orr  
 " F. Purdue-Horan  
 " A. Shelton  
 " J. Stockwood  
 " Mrs. C. Williams  
 Borough Councillor Mrs. S. Hull  
 County Councillor M. Suthers  
 Tesco Representative – Mr. S. Petar  
 Rushcliffe Borough Council Office – Mr. D. Swaine  
 9 Members of the public  
 1 Press

Prior to the commencement of the formal meeting, prayers, led by the Reverend Tony Jones, were said.

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

**1.00 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPTANCE:**

Apologies for Absence and Acceptance were received and accepted from Councillor Mrs. K. Vallance.

**2.00 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

Councillors A. Shelton and Mrs. C. Williams declared an interest in Folio 7872, Item 12.00, Bingham Twinning Association.

**3.00 MINUTES:**

The Minutes of the Statutory Annual Meeting held on the 19th May, 2015, (Folios 7847/7862), having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Town Mayor as a true record.

**4.00 MATTERS ARISING:**

There were no Matters Arising out of the Minutes held on the 19th May, 2015, for information to report.

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#### **5.00 TESCO - UPDATE:**

The Mayor welcomed the Tesco representative, Mr. Simon Petar, to the meeting. Mr. Petar confirmed that Tesco was committed to Bingham, but unfortunately, however, the proposed store was not included in the 2015/16 plans. He went on to confirm that the building time frame was approximately twelve months from commencement and, therefore, even if it was commenced at the beginning of the 2016/17 period, the earliest it would open would be April, 2017. He confirmed that Tesco would consider any requests from the Town Council. Councillors pointed out that the funding available from Network Rail regarding the bridge upgrade was subject to a deadline which may pass before the Tesco build had commenced; therefore, there would be a shortfall in relation to the bridge aspect.

The Mayor thanked Mr. Petar for attending and invited him to return to a future meeting with precise details and a timeline of works.

#### **6.00 PRESENTATION BY R.B.C. OFFICER RE. "RUSHCLIFFE BOROUGH LOCAL ECONOMIC GROWTH BOARD FOR BINGHAM & RADCLIFFE-ON-TRENT"**

The Mayor welcomed Rushcliffe Borough Council representative, Mr. Daniel Swaine, to the meeting who gave details of the Radcliffe-on-Trent & Bingham Local Growth Board and how its aim was economic development and sustainability. Local Growth Boards are linked to a Strategic Growth Board which ultimately links to a Combined Authority. Feedback from the launch event prioritised infrastructure, community infrastructure and employment/retail issues. Mr. Swaine confirmed the membership and intended co-opted members, and also the funding available to support growth. The next meeting is in October, 2015.

#### **7.00 COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

All Committee reports were presented and it was

**RESOLVED** to approve the following recommendations:-

- (a) Planning Committee, 2nd June, 2015, Folio 7863

Councillor K. Hayes-Heath presented the Minutes and it was

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

Councillor Purdue-Horan reported that Rushcliffe Borough Council was investigating a previous planning application Ref. 15/01026/FUL which Town Councillors had also raised concerns over.

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**7.00 COMMITTEE REPORTS continued.....**

(b) Community Committee, 2nd June, 2015, Folio 7867

Councillor R. Bird presented the Minutes and it was

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

It was also

**RESOLVED** to increase the Town Fair budget by £100.00.

(c) Recreational & Cemetery Committee, 9th June, 2015, Folio 7873

Councillor J. Stockwood presented the Minutes and it was

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

(d) Planning Committee, 16th June, 2015, Folio 7878

Councillor K. Hayes-Heath presented the Minutes and it was

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

It was also noted that the Planning Minutes of the meeting held on the 14th July, 2015, would be presented to the next meeting of Full Council to be held on the 1st September, 2015.

(e) Environment Committee, 16th June, 2015, Folio 7882

Councillor G. Davidson presented the Minutes and it was

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

It was also

**RESOLVED** to form a Car Park Working Group.

Councillors expressed concerns over changes to the Xpress bus services coming into place during August, 2015. The Clerk to contact Nottinghamshire County Council expressing objections.

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## **6.00 COMMITTEE REPORTS continued.....**

(f) Policy & Resources Committee, 23rd June, 2015, Folio 7888

Councillor A. Harvey presented the Minutes and it was

### **RESOLVED:-**

- 01 To approve Budget Reports 'A' (up to the 31st May, 2015), 'B', 'C' and 'D' .
- 02 To approve grant aid of £400.00 to Bingham Cricket Club towards sightscreens.
- 03 To approve grant aid of £200.00 to Robert Miles Infants' School for a Weather Station Project
- 04 To approve grant aid of £250.00 to Positive Futures for Community Pride Project at the Linear Walk bridge.
- 05 To approve quotation for fitting of new windows and fire door at The Old Court House.

It was

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

It was

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the Reports and Recommendations of all the Committees and Working Groups referred to be approved.

## **7.00 REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS:**

01 County Councillor M. Suthers

County Councillor Suthers said he was disappointed with the response from Tesco that there was not a time-frame for its development as the upgrade to the railway bridge relied on this.

He was also disappointed with the proposed bus service change for Bingham. However, he was looking forward to the Local Growth Board and felt it was a positive step forward in relation to strategic development.

02 Borough Councillor Mrs. S. Hull

Borough Councillor Mrs Hull had nothing to report other than her disappointment at the bus service changes which she felt were a step backwards rather than an improvement.

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**03 Borough Councillor F. Purdue-Horan**

Borough Councillor Purdue-Horan thanked Councillor Bird for escorting him at the Town Fair and congratulated Butt Field Sports Clubs on organising the Bingham BFest which was a huge success.

**04 Borough Councillor George Davidson**

Councillor Davidson reported that the time frame for the merge of the Sports Centre and office move to the Arena was one year.

**8.00 OTHER REPORTS:**

**01 Community Led Plan**

Councillor Mrs. Langford gave a brief report on the Community Led Plan. The Questionnaire is being tested with a view to it being signed off in July. The questionnaire is to be delivered and collected in September. There will be collection points in the town, and Community Led Plan members will be attending three Thursday markets to provide further assistance. Each household will receive a hard copy; it will also be available on Survey Monkey and there will also be a children's version for completion. Town Councillors will receive a copy for information only.

**02 Car Park Working Group**

Councillor Mrs. Langford, on behalf of Councillor Mrs. Vallance, gave a brief report on the Parking Working Group as follows:-

- A suitable site is being pursued for a long-stay parking solution with the contaminated land site being identified as the most viable option.
- Consultations with various agencies are ongoing.
- Has been identified that further consultation required regarding lengths of timed parking.
- Businesses within Bingham have been written to and meetings with owners/managers are planned to take place shortly.
- Up-to-date data from businesses regarding staff parking habits, etc. have been collected by Councillors, with an analysis to follow.

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**8.00 OTHER REPORTS continued.....**

02 Car Park Working Group continued.....

- Enquiries have been made into 'Drive Share Schemes' and estimates are being sought of costs for covered cycle stations. Consideration for both schemes is on-going, together with consultation with Trent Barton towards securing reduced rates for journeys within Bingham.
- Several new issues have been identified such as parking problems on Station Street and Cherry Street which are causing access issues for both pedestrians and vehicles.

03 Community Pride Project on Linear Walk Railway Arches

Councillor Purdue-Horan gave a brief update on the above project and said that young people are to paint a mural which should be completed by August.

**10.00 CORRESPONDENCE:**

01 Crown Estate

(a) Warner's Paddock

The Mayor reported that the Crown Estate had provided an update confirming that, hopefully, in the near future a decision will be made in relation to Warner's Paddock.

(b) Land East and West of Chapel Lane

Important preparatory stages will be completed next year and further advice given on progress.

02 Bingham Branch of Royal British Legion

A letter had been received regarding the possibility of grant aid being awarded towards adding additional names to the war memorial. Matter referred to Policy & Resources Committee.

**11.00 OBSERVATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:**

The following issues were raised by members of the public:-

- 01 Councillor Purdue-Horan was thanked for raising his concerns over changes to bus services.

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**11.00 OBSERVATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC continued.....**

- 02 Concerns were raised regarding denied access to Royal Mail car park and impact of additional parking on Station Street.
- 03 Warner's Paddock should remain as it is for the future.
- 04 Local Growth Boards were seen as a positive step as sustainable urban development was essential for Bingham to prosper.

**12.00 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS:**

**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."

- 01 PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS NOTES**
- 02 STAFFING MATTERS**

As there was no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 9.43 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN.

Date: .....