

**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, 5th March, 2013, 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 Saturday, 9th February, 2013, attended Bingham Town Council's Civic Reception and gave out 2012/13 Civic Awards.
- 2.00 Monday, 25th February, 2013, attended Rushcliffe Day Service Open Day at Moorlands House.

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**PRESENT:**

Councillor F. Purdue-Horan - Deputy Town Mayor in the Chair  
 " P. Abbey  
 " A. Ashmore  
 " Mrs. A. Bryan  
 " G. Davidson  
 " J. Eagles  
 " T. Fox  
 " A. Harvey  
 " Mrs. S. Hull  
 " Mrs. J. Marshall  
 " J. Stockwood  
 " Mrs. M. Stockwood  
 County Councillor M. Suthers

Prior to the commencement of the formal meeting, prayers, lead by the Reverend Richard Tanner, were said.

**1. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

Apologies for absence and acceptance were received from Councillors Mrs. T. Kerry and M. Barham.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

There were no declarations of interest received.

**4. MINUTES:**

The Minutes of the meetings held on the 8th January, 2013, (Folios 6915/6919), and the Special Meeting held on the 5th February, 2013, (Folio 6933) having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Town Mayor as a true record.

**5. MATTERS ARISING:**

There were no Matters Arising for information to report.

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## 6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

All Committee reports were presented and it was

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

- (a) Planning Committee, 15th January, 2013, Folio 6920 and Planning Committee, 12th February, 2013, Folio 6935

Councillor Mrs. M. Stockwood presented her report and it was

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

- (b) Community Committee – 15th January, 2013, Folio 6922

Councillor F, Purdue-Horan presented his report:-

- 01 Folio 6922/5.00 Anti-Social Behaviour

Councillor Purdue-Horan reported that a decision had been taken not to prosecute a suspect. This had led to frustration which was revealed in the local and national media. Councillor Purdue-Horan expressed his thanks for the support of fellow Councillors and the public for his media interviews defending Bingham's reputation.

- 02 An additional P.C.S.O. had been appointed to work in Bingham.

- 03 Folio 6925/Prom WG/2 - Christmas Lights

It was agreed to review the format of the Christmas lights in good time for next Christmas.

It was

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

- (c) Recreational & Cemetery Committee, 29th January, 2013, Folio 6926

Councillor J. Stockwood presented his report:-

- 01 Folio 6926/6.00 - Future Provision of Leisure Facilities for Young People in Bingham

It was confirmed that the collaboration between Nottinghamshire County Council Youth Officers and the Town Council was specifically to assist the Town Council with a consultation for a new teen area in the town.

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**6. COMMITTEE REPORTS continued.....**

- (c) Recreational & Cemetery Committee, 29th January, 2013, Folio 6926  
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02 Folio 6928/9.00/02 - Butt Field Sports Clubs

Councillor J. Stockwood reported that the Recreational & Cemetery Committee had planned for the year ahead and had received a quotation from Prograss which provided an overview of the necessary works, removing the issue of addressing each maintenance item separately.

Item 1 on the Prograss quote to be progressed as soon as possible by the Clerk.

02 Folio 6928/9.00/03 - Resident

It was confirmed that the Town Council would continue to liaise with Toot Hill School over the community use of the field adjacent to Tythby Road.

It was

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

- (d) Environment Committee, 12th February, 2013, Folio 6937

Councillor J. Eagles presented his report and

it was **RESOLVED:**

01 (a) Plantscape Quotation

to approve the quotation from Plantscape as follows:-

*'Provide three year contract to supply hanging baskets, troughs and planters at a cost of £4299'.*

(b) Nottinghamshire Council Quotation

to approve the quotation from Nottinghamshire County Council as follows:

*'Stress-testing of necessary street-lighting columns for 2013/2014 at a cost of £875.00'.*

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- (d) Environment Committee, 12th February, 2013, Folio 6937  
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02 Folio 6939/11.00 - Update on N.C.C. Matters/News

Nottinghamshire County Council Officer, Paul Hillier, had presented two draft options regarding a one-way system in Bingham.

It was **RESOLVED**

that Bingham Town Council supports the idea in principle of a one-way system on Market Street, and fully supports Nottinghamshire County Council in its consultation process.

It was agreed that a Working Group would be set up consisting of members of the Environment Committee.

03 Folio 6938/6.00 - Bus Issues

It was agreed that the Committee's thanks would be passed on to Clive Greyson and his team from Nottinghamshire County Council for their comprehensive explanation of the recent changes to bus services in the area.

It was

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

- (e) Policy & Resources Committee, 19th February, 2013, Folio 6942

Councillor F. Purdue-Horan presented his report and it was

**RESOLVED:-**

01 To approve Budget Report 'A' up to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2013

02 To approve Accounts Paid - Reports 'C'.

03 To approve Bankline payments presented - Report 'D'

04 Folio 6943/8.00/01 - Referrals from Full Council and other Committees, including Recreational & Cemetery Committee

(a) Butt Field Sports Club - Refer to Recreational & Cemetery Committee, apart from urgent works.

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(e) Policy & Resources Committee, 19th February, 2013, Folio 6942  
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04 Folio 6943/8.00/01 - Referrals from Full Council and other Committees, including Recreational & Cemetery Committee continued.....

(b) Moor Lane Contaminated Allotments – The question had been asked if contamination could have changed since the in-depth investigation undertaken in 2007.

05 Folio 6943/10.00 - Grant Aid

(a) To approve Neighbourhood Watch - The Old Court House room hire £100.00.

(b) To approve Bingham Cricket Club - Donation of £350.00 to cover the cost of equipment.

06 Folio 6944/04 - Community Cohesion

Amend first sentence to read ‘

***"Councillor Purdue-Horan had been contacted by the Nottingham Interfaith Council which receives funding from Nottinghamshire County Council and Nottingham City Council".***

07 Folio 6944/11.00 - Update from the Council's Structure Working Group

It was agreed to provide Councillors with a consultation questionnaire on a possible future Committee structure.

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, including Private & Confidential matters, be approved.

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## 7. **OTHER REPORTS:**

### 01 County Councillor M. Suthers

#### (a) Racist Incident

The unusual nature of the incident attracted media interest. Schools were anxious to play a part in community cohesion. Interfaith sessions had taken place on 26th/27th February, at a cost of £700.00; it was agreed that they had been a worthwhile exercise.

#### (b) Surplus N.C.C. Land

Opportunity should be given to the local Town Council to use the land for allotments.

#### (c) Youth Provision

A Youth Budget of £25K had been earmarked for Bingham Youth Centre.

#### (d) Visiting Nottinghamshire County Council Officers

Councillor Suthers thought this was a very good idea which improved communication between the County and Town Councils.

#### (e) Cogley Lane Junction

Councillor Suthers felt that a site meeting should be arranged to resolve this issue.

#### (f) Market Street One-Way System

Although there was concern regarding the impact of a one-way system on residents of Fairfield Street and Cherry Street, it was agreed that Market Street congestion was very frustrating. Significant progress was being made - the scheme needed to be made as good as possible and extra funds may be necessary in order to achieve this.

## 8. **MOTION - PROPOSER COUNCILLOR T. FOX:**

*'I move that this Council formally accepts the principle of the need to establish a Town Plan and takes appropriate steps to ensure that a plan together with a process for review and updating is established as soon as possible. Ideally I believe that this should be in place by October 2013 so that it can assist in the development of the budget and plans for the 2014/15 Civic year'.*

The motion was **Seconded** by Councillor G. Davidson

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**8. MOTION - PROPOSER COUNCILLOR T. FOX continued....**

An amendment to the Motion, as follows, was **Proposed** by Councillor F Purdue-Horan and **Seconded** by Councillor J. Stockwood:-

*'this Council reaffirms its commitment to a Town Plan and values the previous work published within the "Bingham Market Town Initiative Action Plan." Council acknowledges the recent delays in large planning applications and requests a suitable Working Group, chaired by the Town Mayor, to update the Town Plan by progressing "Bingham 2020 – Shaping Our Future" in the year ahead and submit a draft Town Plan to Policy and Resources in due course.'*

Following debate, a further amendment, as follows, was proposed by Councillor G. Davidson:-

*'this Council reaffirms its commitment to a Town Plan and values the previous work published within the "Bingham Market Town Initiative Action Plan." Council acknowledges the recent delays in large planning applications and requests a suitable Working Group, chaired by the Town Mayor, to progress "Bingham 2020 – Shaping Our Future" and to submit a draft Town Plan to Full Council not later than March 2014.'*

Councillor T. Fox commented on the latest amendment as follows:-

- All wish for the same outcome
- The Town Council does not wish to disregard past activities
- It was important to review Bingham 2020 first
- The issue is so important to the Town Council that all members should be actively involved, not just through a small Committee or Working Group.
- He was, therefore, not in support of the amendment

Councillor G. Davidson proposed that a Working Group of the Full Council would report to the Full Council.

It was:

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to approve the above amendment including structure of Working Group.

The following suggestions were made regarding the composition of the Working Group:-

- Membership to be inclusive across all parties
- Meetings to be held in the evenings.
- Councillors to express their interest to the Clerk.
- All Councillors could attend all meetings if they wished

It was agreed to consult with the Town Mayor before any formal decisions taken.

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**9. CORRESPONDENCE:**

- 01 Rushcliffe Borough Council – Town & Parish Council Survey re. Borough Services

Item to be placed on next Community Committee agenda to ensure all Councillors are made aware and can contribute. All comments to be passed to the Clerk to collate.

- 02 Notts. & Derbys. Eco Homes Open Week 2nd - 10th March

This item was noted.

**10. OBSERVATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:**

The following issues were raised by members of the public:

- 01 Approval of inclusion of Item 8 – Motion re. Town Plan; Borough Councillor reports.
- 02 Alterations to local bus services; anti-social behaviour; pedestrian access over railway to Tesco; Methodist Centre proposals.
- 03 Suggestion for speed camera on Nottingham Road.

**11. 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:-

As there was no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 8.59 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN.  
Date: .....