

Minutes of a meeting of the **Environment Committee** of the Bingham Town Council held in **The Old Court House**, Church Street, Bingham, on **Tuesday, 8th April, 2014**, at 7.15 p.m.

**PRESENT:**

Councillor J. Eagles - Chairman  
 " A. Ashmore  
 " T. Fox  
 " Mrs. M. Stockwood

Also in attendance: Councillor F. Purdue-Horan  
 " J. Stockwood  
 County Councillor M. Suthers

**1.00 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPTANCE:**

Apologies for Absence and Acceptance received from Councillors G. Davidson and Mrs. T. Kerry.

**2.00 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

**3.00 MINUTES:**

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 11th February, 2014, having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

**4.00 MATTERS ARISING (FOR INFORMATION ONLY) INCLUDING ACTION POINTS:**

See attached Appendix 'A'.

01 F7222/8.06 – Eaton Place Toilets

It was reported that a RADAR key cannot be fitted to Eaton Place toilets due to specifications of the door. It was also noted that a complaint had been received regarding these toilets which has been forwarded to Rushcliffe Borough Council for attention.

**5.00 MATTERS RELATING TO HIGHWAYS:**

01 Recent Changes of Traffic Regulation Orders and Impact on Traffic Flow and Parking

- (a) One-way street appears to be working well.
- (b) Pavement resurfacing has been completed.

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**5.00** **MATTERS RELATING TO HIGHWAYS** continued.....

01 **Recent Changes of Traffic Regulation Orders and Impact on Traffic Flow and Parking** continued.....

- (c) Scheme itself appears to have a few flaws, i.e.
- Disabled-bay markings painted against a railing, and, therefore, passenger door could not be opened.
  - Parking bay markings fall over dropped kerbs in at least three locations (Church Street; Frank Inness corner; approximately at end of Station Street on to Market Place it previously stated 'Keep Clear' yet the parking bay now falls across it; outside Pods & Petals shop).
  - Parking-bay falls across the access to NatWest Bank car park entrance.
  - Narrow width of parking bays, especially on Market Street.
  - Yellow lines across Borough Council parking bays around Market Place.
  - No yellow lines on Foster's Lane/East Street/Long Acre.
  - Right-hand turn from Union Street is too tight for larger vehicles as currently there are cones, etc. in that area on Market Street.
- (d) Further consultation should have taken place with residents on Cherry Street/Long Acre. Clerk to chase for update.
- (e) Clerk to chase Rushcliffe Borough Council re. update to amending period of time parking allowed in Market Place laybys on Thursdays.

County Councillor Suthers confirmed that the errors in relation to the scheme were currently being investigated at the County Council and he invited the Town Council to submit its findings. The parking survey was imminent and would be undertaken over two days (one being a market day) and it had also been amended to include parking on The Banks.

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**6.00 PARKING STRATEGY MEETING - UPDATE:**

A meeting had been arranged for the 17th April, 2014. Councillor Fox reported his findings on reading the comments submitted on the recent parking questionnaires. One query which was raised several times was a request for a one-way system around the Market Place. This matter would be considered along with others at the future working group meeting.

**7.00 MATTERS RELATING TO TRAIN SERVICES:**

01 Bridge – Update

There was nothing further to report (larger- detailed plans are still awaited).

**8.00 MATTERS RELATING TO BUS SERVICES:**

01 Recent Changes to Bus Service Provision - Update

The new bus service was now called 'Rushcliffe Greens'.

**9.00 GRASS-CUTTING IN AND AROUND BINGHAM - UPDATE:**

Metropolitan had provided maps of the areas it was responsible for and further information was still awaited from Nottinghamshire County Council.

**10.00 MATTERS RELATING TO EATON PLACE PRECINCT:**

01 It was noted that part of the paved area had been jet-washed. However, the majority of the stretch falling under the canopy had yet to be done.

02 Clerk to speak to managing agents re. state of paintwork on posts, etc.

03 Too many 'A' frames causing obstructions under the canopy area. Clerk to chase Nottinghamshire County Council regarding leaflets on 'A' frames.

04 Clerk also to chase the County Council re. noticeboard which is approximately outside the library as the definitive map has disappeared and ownership of noticeboard to be determined.

**11.00 WORK UNDERTAKEN ON POST BOXES - UPDATE:**

Noted.

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12.00

**CORRESPONDENCE:**01 Balmoral Road Potholes - Update

Nottinghamshire County Council had confirmed that this matter would be considered for 2015/2016 works.

02 Possible Groundwork at Sound-Bund

The Clerk confirmed that the Town Council would try to roll the area in question when weather conditions allowed. The Chairman of the Recreational & Cemetery Committee, Councillor J. Stockwood, reported that consideration would be given in the future to a formal path being created along the sound-bund, subject to funding being available.

03 By-pass Issues

The Clerk to chase for a formal response to the Town Council's letter, rather than copies of letters to a resident being passed on.

04 Interactive speed sign on Tythby Road

The sign was now in place. However, overhanging trees were virtually completely obscuring the view of it.

05 Update on Rushcliffe Borough Council's Plans in Relation to the Market Place and Trees

The Chairman reported receipt of an e-mail from the Borough Council, confirming that whilst a budget had been set, the detailed plans had not yet been drawn up but the Town Council, along with Rushcliffe Borough Council Ward members, would be consulted.

06 Closure of Kirkhill Level Crossing

Overnight closure from 23.30 p.m. on 25th April, 2014, to 5.30 a.m. on 26th April, 2014, was noted.

As there was no further business to transact, the meeting closed at 8.25 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN.

Date:- .....

## Appendix 'A'

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**ACTION POINTS:**

<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>	<b>DETAILS</b>	<b>ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY</b>
F6523 14 <sup>th</sup> June, 2011.	N.C.C. Grass-cutting	Lengthsman Scheme Pilot – continue monitoring. Clerk to contact NCC/RBC/Metropolitan re. possibility of one Organisation cutting all of Bingham.
F6523 14 <sup>th</sup> June, 2011.	Bus parking and driving (outside town centre).	N.C.C. - On-going
F6575 August, 2011.	Request for 20 m.p.h. restriction on Newgate Street	N.C.C on-going. Agreed to follow up after Health Centre plans addressed. Suggest speed check undertaken.
F6611 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct 11	Carnarvon Primary School	If adequate funding, consideration will be given to additional set of zig-zag lines.
	Restricted parking on Cherry Street / Church Street.	On-going subject to consultation process.
F7066/6.01	One-way street on Market Street	Completed March 2014.
	Transport Consultation	On-going
F7066/5.01	Network Rail - Bridge	Awaiting a more detailed Revised design from Network Rail.
F7067/7.01	Overgrown grassed areas in Bingham.	Clerk awaiting further information from NCC.
F7067/6.01, 04; 7.04	R.B.C. – Market Place laybys and stones at base of trees.	RBC have budgeted £60k for improvements 2014/2015.
F7068/7.03	R.B.C./Responsible Authorities - Eaton Place and Flowerbeds	Paving slabs have been partly jet- washed March 2014 but much more under the canopy has yet to be done.