

Minutes of a meeting of the **Environment Committee** of the Bingham Town Council held in **The Old Court House**, Church Street, Bingham, on **Tuesday, 5th April, 2016, at 7.15 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Councillor G. Davidson - Chairman
 " A. Harvey
 " K. Hayes-Heath
 " Mrs. E. Hutchison

Also in attendance: Councillor Mrs. A. Langford
 " F. Purdue-Horan
 " A. Shelton
 County Councillor M. Suthers
 1 Press
 1 Public

1.00 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPTANCE:

Apologies for Absence and Acceptance were received and accepted from Councillors Mrs. T. Kerry and Mrs. K. Vallance.

2.00 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

3.00 MINUTES:

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 9th February, 2016, 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):

There were no Matters Arising out of the Minutes of the meeting held on the 9th February, 2016, to report.

5.00 CLERK'S UPDATE:

See attached Appendix 'A'.

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6.00 **MATTERS RELATING TO PARKING ISSUES:**

01 Car Park Working Group – Update

Refer to attached notes from Working Groups, Appendix 'B'.

Whilst Councillor Hayes-Heath congratulated members on the amount of work that had been undertaken, he expressed frustration over the lack of progress which had been made.

The Clerk confirmed that a copy of the travel plan in relation to the Health Centre had been received.

7.00 **GROWTH BOARD - UPDATE:**

01 The proposed project by Network Rail to upgrade the railway bridge is now in abeyance.

02 Councillor Harvey updated members on the meeting held on the 4th April, 2016, Minutes of which will be available at a later date.

8.00 **MATTERS RELATING TO BUS SERVICES:**

01 Feedback on New Service

Councillor Davidson confirmed that another meeting in relation to the Villager service was to be held but that a date had yet to be confirmed. It was agreed that Notts Coaches be requested to introduce another service after 9.30 a.m.

9.00 **PERMITS TO ALLOW ACCESS TO RECYCLING CENTRES:**

A letter from Nottinghamshire County Council in relation to the above was noted. Councillors expressed concerns over the registration procedures as some members had not been able to do this due to the number of calls/transactions being experienced. Councillors felt this could lead to fly-tipping which is the responsibility of the Borough Council to clear up. Clerk to contact Nottinghamshire County Council expressing these concerns.

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10.00 **FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS - UPDATE:**

The Clerk confirmed the cost of flower baskets for Eaton Place, along with flower towers for The Old Court House, Market Place, Co-op corner and window boxes as £1,527.20.

11.00 **NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL HIGHWAYS GRASS-CUTTING CONTRACT - AMENDMENT:**

Nottinghamshire County Council had amended the payment to Bingham Town Council regarding the grass-cutting contract for 2016/2017 which was now £2,989.70.

12.00 **CORRESPONDENCE:**

01 Nottinghamshire County Council – Condition of Orchard Avenue

The County Council had responded to a complaint regarding the state of Orchard Avenue footpaths and confirmed it was aware of the poor condition but that no funds were currently available to resurface. However, the complaint was going forward for consideration for future schemes in the new financial year but would be in competition with other footways in the county.

As there was no further business to transact, the meeting closed at 8.12 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN.

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CLERK'S UPDATE:

DETAILS	ACTION TO BE TAKEN
N.C.C. Grass-cutting	Monitoring.
Restricted parking on Cherry Street/Church Street	Traffic Regulation Orders in progress
Network Rail/East Midlands Trains/Station Issues	Further meeting to be arranged.
Bingham Police Station Site	On-going – Terms of reference received from police referred to Policy & Resources Committee.

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DATE AND TIME OF MEETING:	29th February 2016 10am
NATURE OF MEETING:	Car Park Working Group
IN ATTENDANCE:	Councillors JF, GD, RB, AS, SO, KV & EH NCC Cllr. Martin Suthers, NCC Rep. P.Hillier
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:	None

		TO BE ACTIONED BY
1.	Apologies –Cllrs. A.Harvey, & K.Hayes-Heath	
2.	Minutes of meeting held 8 th February 2016 were agreed.	
3.	Outline Business Plan for building car park on “Old Allotment Site” identifying possible sources of funding. Agreed Clerk to contact RBC re procedures re dealing with contaminated land area. KV confirmed Growth Board would require a Business Case to go forward. Possible Funding Sources: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Network Rail • PWLB • Community chest • Growth Board • Crown bearing in mind they are remitted to providing parking near to station. Recommendation to appoint an Advisor up to a maximum of £10k to progress grant applications/bids. Clerk to speak to RBC. Access to site to be considered and whether or not to use all or part of the contaminated land sites.	LH to confirm
4.	Update on contacts with Partner Agencies: Police Station – revised terms accepted and Police arranging to prepare legal document.	
5.	New issues / any other business – Clerk confirmed receipt of letters from RBC re “Off-street Parking”. Agreed Clerk to invite PL, DM & PH to next CPWG meeting.	
6.	Date of next meeting : dependent on availability of Peter Linfield, Derek Musto & Paul Hillier.	
	Meeting finished at 11 am	

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DATE AND TIME OF MEETING:	15th March 2016 4pm
NATURE OF MEETING:	Car Park Working Group
IN ATTENDANCE:	Councillors KV, JF, AS, AL, RB, JS, ARH, FPH & EH NCC Rep. P.Hillier RBC Rep. D.Burch, “ “ D.Musto
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:	None

		TO BE ACTIONED BY
1.	Apologies –Cllrs. T.Kerry, K.Hayes-Heath & G.Davidson, Peter Linfield.	
2.	Introduction – Chairman Cllr. K.Vallance opened the meeting by updating RBC Officers on background details from BTC’s adoption of the Parking Strategy early 2015 to date.	
3.	<p>NCC & RBC Officers – Updated members on situation from their own Authorities position.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PH – objectives re on street parking restrictions were to force drivers to use the long stay provisions. • Residents Parking Schemes were to benefit the residents. • Along with Martin Suthers to work with BTC to form proposals for residents parking schemes; to develop them during 2016/2017, however, any funding would not be available until 2017/2018 at the earliest. Ie. no funding allocated from 2016/2017 NCC budgets to implement any schemes. <p>DM – confirmed that the Parking Order updated an historical order, including a built in facility to amend it in the future.</p> <p>DB – confirmed RBC would progress car parks via the Growth Board.</p>	

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4.	<p>Partner Agencies concerns etc. PH confirmed that the medical centre should have a travel plan included in their planning application. Clerk to check. PH confirmed that NCC cannot undertake on street parking restrictions if there is no off street parking provision. RBC would have to investigate financial viability of enforcing parking charges eg. 1hr free, 2hrs. = £1, 3hrs. £1.50 and more for all day. To investigate & monitor “cause and effect” if Union Street to be short stay only</p>	LH
5.	<p>Councillors responses: Both Health Centre and Royal Mail had both refused to use Butt Field for parking. There was to be a meeting in near future with smaller private businesses to encourage them to park at Butt Field or Police Station Site. Long term solutions are urgently required. Assistance from RBC required be it acquisition of land, access road, contaminated land etc.</p>	
6.	Date of next meeting : tbc	
	Meeting finished at 5.45 pm	

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Nottinghamshire Parish and Town Councils;

For the attention of the Clerk.

17th March 2016

Dear Sir/Madam

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL-RECYCLING CENTRE SERVICE CHANGES FOR 2016

From 1 April 2016 Nottinghamshire County Council will be introducing a number of changes to the Recycling Centre service, including implementing a registration scheme for residents wishing to use the network of 12 sites in the County.

These changes were approved by the County Council at the budget meetings in February 2014 and 2015 in response to ongoing funding challenges.

The registration scheme will require anyone accessing the sites to have completed an on-line (or via telephone support from our Customer Service Centre) application through the Councils "Self Portal" to confirm the details of their Nottinghamshire address, and assign access rights to a maximum of two vehicles registered to that address.

To enforce the scheme the Council, and its waste contractor Veolia, will initially be undertaking electronic checks on vehicles entering the Recycling Centres, and advising and supporting residents with the on-line registration process. They will also be informing non-residents to utilise sites within the administrative area in which they live.

From September 2016 we will be enforcing the scheme more rigorously, and any vehicles not registered on the system will be refused access to deposit waste.

Surveys of the Recycling Centre sites indicate that cross border usage may be as much as 15% for some facilities, meaning that the County Council currently subsidises disposal costs for neighbouring Waste Disposal Authorities.

As I'm sure you appreciate in the current financial climate Nottinghamshire County Council is unable to continue to meet such costs, and introducing the registration scheme is expected to save a minimum of £200,000 per annum.

In addition the County Council is also introducing an on-line pre booking process, and a range of disposal charges for residents wishing to deposit certain non-household inert wastes, including gypsum containing products, at the Recycling Centres when delivered in a van, pick-up or trailer. A budget proposal to extend these charges to cars was recently rejected by the County Council following public consultation.

As with previous Recycling Centre service changes, including site closures, we will work closely with the Borough and District Councils to monitor the effects of these changes and identify and address any adverse impacts on either kerbside collections or instances of fly-tipping.

I hope you are also able to support these changes by promulgating the information contained in this letter to your members and residents, however if you require any further

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information on the plans full details will be published on the County Councils web site in the next few weeks, or in the interim do not hesitate to contact me directly with any specific questions.

Yours faithfully

Mick Allen

Group Manager Waste and Energy Management
Nottinghamshire County Council