

Minutes of a meeting of the **Environment Committee** of the Bingham Town Council held in **The Old Court House**, Church Street, Bingham, on **Tuesday, 16th June, 2015, at 7.16 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Councillor G. Davidson
 " A. Harvey
 " K. Hayes-Heath
 " Mrs. E. Hutchison
 Mrs. T. Kerry
 " Mrs. K. Vallance

Also in attendance: Councillor R. Bird
 " Mrs. A. Langford
 " A. Shelton
 County Councillor M. Suthers
 3 Public
 1 Press

1.00 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN:

Councillor G. Davidson, was **Proposed** by Councillor A. Harvey and **Seconded** by Councillor K. Hayes-Heath.

FOR	-	5
ABSTENTION	-	1

Councillor G. Davidson was, therefore, duly elected as Chairman for the ensuing year.

2.00 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN:

Councillor Mrs. K. Vallance was **Proposed** by Councillor Mrs. T. Kerry and **Seconded** by Councillor Mrs. A. Harvey

FOR	-	5
ABSTENTION	-	1

Councillor Mrs. K. Vallance was, therefore, duly elected as Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.

3.00 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPTANCE:

There were no Apologies for Absence and Acceptance received.

4.00 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

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5.00 MINUTES:

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 14th April, 2015, having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

6.00 MATTERS ARISING (FOR INFORMATION ONLY) INCLUDING ACTION POINTS:

See attached Appendix 'A'.

7.00 CLERK'S UPDATES:

Clerk to chase Nottinghamshire County Council regarding speed restriction along Newgate Street and white lines at Carnarvon School.

8.00 BRIDGE UPGRADE AT BINGHAM STATION - UPDATE:

The Clerk confirmed that Rushcliffe Borough Council had approved the planning application to install DDA-compliant ramps to the station footbridge; however, Network Rail had e-mailed confirming that the project was now on hold and, to date, no further information is available. It was agreed to arrange a further meeting with Network Rail and also contact East Midland Trains regarding additional parking at the station and improved access to platforms.

9.00 MATTERS RELATING TO PARKING ISSUES:

01 Request for Meeting with Shopkeepers

It was agreed to leaflet businesses to establish if a meeting was considered necessary and arrange a separate meeting with Royal Mail.

02 Request for Consideration re. Issues Affecting Station Street and Langtry Gardens' Residents

It was agreed to refer this item to the Parking Working Group.

03 Car Park Working Group

It was agreed to set up a Car Park Working Group in line with the attached recommendation (Appendix 'B').

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10.00 MATTERS RELATING TO BUS SERVICES:

It was reported that the main change for Bingham is the abolition of the Bingham Xpress. All other services would be every ten minutes in the week but every twenty minutes at the weekend; however, they would all go through Radcliffe and West Bridgford. The proposed start date is the 30th August, 2015. Clerk to contact Trent Barton regarding the loss of the Xpress and concerns over excessive congestion and length of journey. Councillor Davidson thanked ex Councillor John Eagles for attending the meetings and remaining as the Bus Liaison Officer on behalf of Bingham Town Council.

11.00 REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL LITTER/DOG BINS:

The Clerk to request Rushcliffe Borough Council ensures all litter bins are of the covered type now that dog waste was being put into them along with ordinary litter.

12.00 ROAD MARKINGS AND CONSULTATION RE. FOSTER'S LANE/CHERRY STREET/LONG ACRE - CONTRACT UPDATE:

The Clerk had no further update, and County Councillor Martin Suthers confirmed he had also tried to confirm the current situation but to no avail.

13.00 CONTRACT RE. B.T.C. UNDERTAKING CUTTING OF ALL N.C.C'S. GRASS VERGES IN BINGHAM - UPDATE:

The Clerk confirmed that Bingham Town Council was cutting Nottinghamshire County Council's verges. However, due to staff resources, some stretches had had to be out-sourced to Streetwise. The County Council had also missed off certain areas, and, as it became apparent areas and not been cut, Nottinghamshire County Council had investigated and added to the list. The current situation is as follows:-

- Bingham Town Council cutting 27,982 sq. mtrs and would be paid £2,798.20 which equates to an additional 1,809 sq. mtrs (£180.90).

The situation was being monitored.

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14.00 **CORRESPONDENCE:**

01 Saxondale Footbridge

A Temporary Closure Notice for the above from Monday, 15th to Friday, 19th June, 2015, was noted.

02 Radnor Grove - Grit Bin Request

A request which had been received for a grit bit on the north side of Radnor Grove at the junction with Wychwood Road has been forwarded to Nottinghamshire County Council for it to assess against its criteria.

As there was no further business to transact, the meeting closed at 8.41 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN.

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DETAILS	ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY
N.C.C. Grass-cutting	B.T.C. contracted to cut all N.C.C. grass verges in Bingham with effect from 1 st April 2015.
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.
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.
Network Rail - Bridge	Planning application received and B.T.C. approved sale of land required for bridge July 2014. R.B.C. granted planning permission May 2015.
Bingham Police Station Site	Awaiting feedback from police officials following previous meeting to consider temporary parking etc.
Bingham Signal Box Sign	Network Rail Disposal Form has been signed by Clerk confirming B.T.C. will be presented with the name-board.

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RECOMMENDATION

1. That a new Car Park Working Group be formed as a task and finish group with the outline aims of:-
 - (a) Taking the recommendations in the report previously confirmed by Council on 3rd March, 2015, (Folios 7792 – 7799 refers) and breaking these down into a series of workable actions and outcomes on which the Council can start work directly or consulting as appropriate.
 - (b) Taking the results of the debates at Items 9.01 and 9.02 on the Agenda and considering the actions and outcomes of these in addition to 1 above.
 - (c) Taking into consideration such other matters relating to car-parking in Bingham as it may consider appropriate, including investigations into alternative means of travel, and
 - (d) Work with the Community Committee's Engagement Working Group to determine the necessary consultations in respect of any actions agreed and the manner by which such consultations should be conducted.
2. The detailed terms of reference for the Group to be discussed at its first meeting and ratified by the next Environment Committee.
3. The Group shall be chaired by the **Vice-Chair of the Environment Committee**. Members shall consist of the **Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Chair of Environment Committee and all Environment Committee members, plus open to all Councillors**. Officers from Nottinghamshire County Council, Rushcliffe Borough Council, Network Rail, the Highways Agency and such other bodies as may be appropriate to be invited to participate as required.
4. The Group shall meet as and when required, and shall be quorate when two or more Councillors are present.
5. The Minutes of the Group shall be reported to the Environment Committee.