

Minutes of a meeting of the **Environment Committee** of the Bingham Town Council held in **The Old Court House**, Church Street, Bingham, on **Tuesday, 11th August, 2009**, at **7.30 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Councillor J. Eagles – Chairman
 " R. Barnett
 " G. Davidson
 " A. Shelton
 " J. Stockwood
 " Mrs. M. Stockwood

IN ATTENDANCE: County Councillor M. Suthers

1.00 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

2.00 APOLOGIES:

There were no Apologies for Absence received.

3.00 MINUTES, INCLUDING MATTERS ARISING:

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 9th June, 2009, having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

01 Folio 6069/6.02 - Salt Bin, Eaton Place

The Clerk confirmed that, following a meeting with an Officer from Nottinghamshire County Council, a salt bin had been ordered which should be in place at the beginning of the winter maintenance cycle providing that this will not interfere with the drainage holes in the adjacent wall.

02 Folio 6070/7.01 (c) - Update on Parking Regulations

After certain amendments affecting Radcliffe-on-Trent, the Rushcliffe Borough Council (Bingham, Keyworth and Radcliffe-on-Trent) Off-Street Parking Places Order 2009 had been made on the 17th July, 2009, and came into force on the 10th August, 2009.

03 Folio 6071/7.03 (a) - Adopt-A-Station

Unfortunately, due to staff changes, it had proved difficult to arrange a meeting. However, the new official would be in touch on the 12th August, 2009.

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04 Folio 6072/7.04 – Small Environmental Improvement Schemes 2009/10

The Clerk confirmed an application had been made for a double staggered row of hawthorn/holly on Nottingham Road to fill a gap in the hedge.

05 Folio 6072/7.03 – Grass-Cutting – Meadowsweet Hill/Nottingham Road

The Clerk confirmed that a letter had been sent to David Wilson Homes on the 7th August, 2009, expressing concern over the state of the grassed areas in general.

4.00 CORRESPONDENCE:

01 Nottinghamshire County Council

Various updates had been received from the County Council, including:-

- (a) The carriageway leading up to Bingham level crossing had been resurfaced. However, there is uncertainty as to which agency carried out the works.
- (b) Notification that there was no funding available this year for work to the step on the Cogley Lane footpath. However, after further inspection, and providing the work would not be too expensive, it may be included next year.
- (c) Approval had been given for a pedestrian crossing on Grantham Road.
- (d) Notification that the situation in connection with the interactive signs is unchanged. Survey results are still awaited before any decision will be taken on whether or not to install a sign, despite Nottingham Road now qualifying. This is also subject to any changes due to alteration in administration at the County Council
- (e) Highway Schemes 2009/2010 - Cherry Street, Newton Avenue and Church Street to be resurfaced, security fencing at Moorlands Day Centre and dropped kerbs in the Bingham area.

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01 Nottinghamshire County Council

- (f) Notification that Nottinghamshire County Council may look into a one-way system for Market Street now that the A46 is being improved. A bus-user survey will be undertaken and the problem re. right turners from Long Acre to Fairfield Street to be addressed.

02 Bingham Cycle Routes

Suggestions re. signs/marker posts had been requested. There were concerns over the removal of hedges along Oak Avenue and Long Acre East. Councillors felt the hedges should be maintained and just trimmed. However, concern was expressed that some of the paths were too narrow. Councillors felt that some cyclists complain about the cycle tracks not being maintained properly. No mention was made of a cycle route on Tythby Road or cycle storage generally.

03 Buses – Willow Road/Cherry Street/Market Square

Councillor Eagles reported a resident had complained about a Trent Barton bus on Willow Road leaving the engine running at midnight. Councillor Eagles had followed this through, and it was a valid complaint which Trent Barton had addressed. Councillor Eagles to speak to Trent Barton again and respond to the resident direct. There was also an issue of a number of buses along, and sometimes parked, on Cherry Street and the Market Square.

04 Premiere Buses – Suggested Layover Location

An e-mail had been received from Premiere Buses requesting suggestions as to where a bus may be parked in order for it to be used by staff for breaks and as a spare. One suggestion was the Royal Mail sorting office and another the weighbridge near Saxondale roundabout.

05 New Local Bus Routes

Update to be forwarded to all Councillors.

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06 A46 Parish News Sheet

A46 Improvement Scheme, Edition 1, had been received.

07 Footpath – St. Mary’s Road to Butt Field

An e-mail had been received from a resident complaining about this footpath. The Clerk confirmed the complaints had been noted on the PP3 surveys. However, there is little or no funding for any remedial works on the footpaths.

08 Additional Footpath Request and N.C.C. Diversion Order – Footpath 17

A request had been received from a resident for an additional footpath over Butt Field. The Clerk to respond to the resident saying that no decision can be made at this time owing to other factors which are awaited of further development and access to the railway over the same area.

Confirmation received of Diversion Order – Footpath 17.

09 Highways Agency Area 7

The update on changes in the area now mirrors the existing Government Office for East Midlands Boundaries.

10 Foster’s Lane

Copy of a letter to Nottinghamshire County Council from a resident regarding holly trees to be maintained and preserved.

11 Community Concern

Minutes received of a meeting held on the 28th July, 29009, with Nottinghamshire County Council and Rushcliffe Borough Council Officers re. Local Development Framework and traffic congestion. County Councillor Suthers reported on the meeting.

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12 Market Street Traffic

A complaint received about traffic mounting the pavement near the Halifax Office. It was felt that the major problems were caused by lorries delivering to the Co-op and Sainsburys when other vehicles were parked at the side of the road. A suggestion was made to restrict delivery times. Clerk to contact police to address the problem.

5.00 **ECO TOWN**

Councillors noted the Government decision not to build an eco town at Newton.

As there was no further business to transact, the meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN.

Date:-