

Minutes of a meeting of the **Recreational & Cemetery Committee** of
Bingham Town Council held in The Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham,
on **Tuesday, 28th July, 2009**, at **7.00 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Councillor	P. Abbey
"	Mrs. A. Bryan
"	F. Kerry
"	A. Shelton
"	Mrs. M. Stockwood

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of interest received.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor R. Barnett.

1.00 MINUTES:

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 26th May, 2009, having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record with the following amendment:-

*Folio 6061 the word '**Recommended**' to be changed to '**Agreed**'*

2.00 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (For information):

01 Folio 6058/2.02 – Directional Sign Request, Butt Field Pavilion

The Clerk confirmed that the sign for Butt Field Pavilion was being addressed.

3.00 MATTERS RELATING TO PLAYINGFIELDS, PLAY AREAS AND OPEN SPACES, INCLUDING BUTT FIELD:

01 Butt Field Project

(a) Wind Turbine

The Clerk confirmed an e-mail had been received from Rushcliffe Borough Council following receipt of the Bat Survey which suggested that a time-clock may have to be fitted to the turbine as a condition.

Standing Orders were suspended to allow a member of the public to speak.

Standing Orders were resumed.

It was agreed that the Clerk should clarify the period the time clock would be in operation.

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(b) Update on Beaufort's Contract

The Clerk had been in touch with HSSP Architects who were still waiting for outstanding information before the final figures could be confirmed.

(c) Revised Quotations for Pitch Remedial Works

A quotation (version 2) had been received from Fine Turf dated 20th July, 2009, for works in connection with Item 1 at £825.00 and Item 2 at £6,010.00. It was agreed that the Clerk should obtain a further quotation from Fine Turf, confirming their recommended option of 210 tons of top soil, with a disclaimer of a £15.00 per ton reduction for each ton not required and requesting weight tickets to support the amount of tons used. This quotation to go to the Policy & Resources Committee on the 18th August, 2009, for acceptance.

Councillor Kerry also suggested signs for the bridleway – 'Please Drive Slowly/Beware Pedestrians and Animals'.

02 Play Area on the 'Bird Estate' - "Wallenfels"

The Clerk confirmed that Jon Walker Timber Limited had been informed he had been selected as the preferred supplier and would assist with public consultation. A further meeting was planned to discuss details.

03 Dog Signs on All Play Areas

The Clerk confirmed that a meeting had been scheduled to be held at 6.30 p.m. on the 6th August, 2009, with Bingham Dog Owners' Group.

4.00 MATTERS RELATING TO CEMETERY:

- 01 A letter had been received from a resident requesting permission to install a seat. It was agreed that this was not a problem providing all costs were borne by the resident. The Clerk/Groundstaff to consult.**

5.00 TO CONSIDER MATTERS RELATING TO HILL DRIVE ALLOTMENTS, INCLUDING:-

It was reported that the Mayor and other Councillors had visited the site, and certain areas of complaints had been addressed. However, some complaints could not be addressed due to Health & Safety issues, i.e. all gates should not be locked whilst the public were on site in case of accidents. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to the complainant.

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6.00 CORRESPONDENCE:

01 Dog Enclosure

A letter had been received from two young residents in connection with the provision of a possible dog enclosure, and it was agreed that a response should be sent to them stating that, unfortunately, there was no land available for this at the present time. However, it could be considered if the Country Park went ahead.

02 Linear Park Management Plan

It was reported that the extension to the plan had been received. The Clerk to establish if there were any cost implications.

03 Mark Pearson

An e-mail had been received from Mr. Pearson for permission to hold a funfair at the Town Pavilion site during September. This was approved.

04 Rushcliffe Borough Council

A letter had been received relating to the felling of a sycamore tree at 11, Sycamore Close. It was agreed to refer this matter to the Planning Committee.

7.00 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 matter was discussed:-

01 GROUNDS MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT

As there was no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 8.10 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN.

Date: