

Minutes of a meeting of the **Recreational & Cemetery Committee** of Bingham Town Council held in The Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham, on **Tuesday, 24th March, 2009**, at **7.00 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Councillor	R. Barnett – Deputy Chairman
"	P. Abbey
"	Mrs. A. Bryan
"	G. Davidson
"	Mrs. M. Stockwood

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of interest received.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor F. Kerry.

1.00 MINUTES:

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 3rd February, 2009, having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record subject to the following amendments:-

Folio 5984/3.00

Delete 'Mr. P. Kennedy', **insert** 'Mr. C. Branson'.

Folio 5985/04 (c)

Add 'Parking signs on St. Mary's Road would have to be taken up with Nottinghamshire County Council as Bingham Town Council is not the Highway Authority'.

Folio 5986/3.07

Delete 'Bingham Rugby Union', **insert** 'Bingham Football Club'.

2.00 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (For information):

01 Hill Drive Allotments (Folio 5984/2.01)

Councillors were informed that wire had been added to the fencing around Hill Drive allotments.

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02 Directional Signs to Butt Field and the New Pavilion (Folio 5985/3.04 (a))

A letter had been received from Nottinghamshire County Council regarding the directional signs at the end of Moorbridge Road. The request had been refused as it did not meet the criteria for such signs. It was agreed to challenge the decision as there were signs around Bingham directing members of the public to the Town Pavilion.

03 Dog-Fouling Signage (Folio 5985/3.04 (b))

The Clerk confirmed the dog signs had been ordered.

04 Sports Clubs' Contribution to Butt Field (Folio 5986/3.07)

The Clerk confirmed receipt of an additional £1,000.00 on the 23rd March, 2009, from the Football Club and thanked members of the Sports Clubs for prompt payment of their contributions towards the Butt Field Sports Project as all monies had now been received.

3.00 **MATTERS RELATING TO PLAYINGFIELDS, PLAY AREAS AND OPEN SPACES:**

01 Butt Field Project

(a) Wind Turbine on Butt Field

Councillors were informed that this planning application had been withdrawn due to the necessity of having to have a bat survey carried out. However, there had been ongoing developments which the Clerk has to confirm at a later date.

(b) Floodlighting

Planning permission had been granted subject to certain conditions. The wiring would be in place but not the lights as the funding was not in place and was yet to be addressed.

(c) Contract Variations and Update on Contract

The Clerk confirmed Contract Variation No's. 16 and 17 which had already been agreed by Butt Field Working Group members.

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Standing Orders were suspended in order to enable Mr. S. McRobie to raise queries and answer questions in relation to the Butt Field Sports Project.

Councillors had raised queries at a previous meeting in relation to the eco driver and monitoring equipment. Two representatives had attended a meeting on the 16th March, 2009, and confirmed that £5,000.00 of the original grant claims for the GSHP had been earmarked for this equipment and there could be a saving by taking out an agreement for one year rather than two years as quoted. The equipment enables information to be downloaded via the internet and converted back into user-friendly information which is then displayed on the screens showing the benefits of the pavilion being "eco-friendly". Mr. McRobie then went on to suggest that a separate meeting with Councillors would be beneficial in order to discuss fencing of the sports area.

Standing Orders were reinstated.

It was agreed to accept the installation of the eco driver monitoring equipment and also install an industrial/commercial dishwasher due to the time taken to complete a cycle compared to that of a domestic dishwasher. Retrospective approval would be sought as the project was nearing completion.

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

The Clerk and Councillor Barnett had met with Proludic on site last week. However, plans promised in time for tonight's meeting had, as yet, not been received. The Clerk to arrange for other quotations for the next meeting. There was a brief discussion and it was agreed not to have a split park either side of the footpath but for the park to be all on one side with a surrounding fence to prevent dogs, etc. from entering it.

4.00 MATTERS RELATING TO CEMETERY:

One matter relating to the cemetery to be taken under Confidential Business.

5.00 CORRESPONDENCE:

01 Dogs on Butt Field

A letter had been received from a resident regarding the 'No Dogs' signage on Butt Field. It was agreed that the Clerk should confirm with Rushcliffe Borough Council about any byelaws covering the area and hold discussions with the Football Club. Confirmation was given that the matter is being addressed, and once, finalised, residents will be informed.

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02 I.C.C. World Twenty 20 Cricket

A letter had been received from Rushcliffe Borough Council in connection with the above. It was agreed to follow up requesting kwik cricket set, tree and tickets, and that the Cricket Club and Toot Hill School be contacted.

03 Rushcliffe Nature Conservation Strategy Implementation Group

Notification had been received of the Annual General Meeting of the above group to be held on the 21st April, 2009. It was agreed to refer to the Environment Committee and Friends of Linear Park.

6.00 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 matters were discussed:-

- 01 **ALLOTMENTS**
- 02 **COGLEY LANE FENCING**
- 03 **CEMETERY**
- 04 **E-MAIL FROM P. KENNEDY**

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

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CHAIRMAN.

Date: