

Minutes of a meeting of the **Recreational & Cemetery Committee** of **Bingham Town Council** held in **The Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham**, on **Tuesday, 27th March, 2012**, at **7.00 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Councillor J. Stockwood - Chairman
 " P. Abbey.
 " M. Barham
 " F. Kerry
 " Mrs. M. Stockwood

1.00 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPTANCE:

Apologies for Absence and Acceptance were received from Councillor Mrs. A. Bryan.

2.00 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

3.00 MINUTES:

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 31st January, 2012, 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:

01 Linear Park

The Chairman confirmed that the Linear Park had been litter-picked.

02 F6687, Items 03 (a) and (b) – Tree Planting and Area Behind Bus Shelter

Wallenfels tree-planting had taken place and the hedge on the Nottingham Road boundary to Wallenfels had been trimmed.

5.00 ACTION POINTS:

See attached Appendix 1.

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

01 Butt Field Sports Ground – Wind Turbine

The Chairman reported on the situation to date and the options available. Butt Field Sports Clubs had offered a contribution of £250.00 equivalent to the amount of savings made re. energy received when the turbine was operating. It was

RECOMMENDED paying for an inspection in order to obtain a full written report of the actual problem and costs to rectify.

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02 Play Areas

(a) General – Update on Vandalism

The Chairman reported on the graffiti problem affecting virtually all the play areas. The police had been involved and incident numbers issued. The Town Council had been working with partner agencies to remove the graffiti and was awaiting confirmation that Nottingham Probation Service will re-stain the fencing.

(b) Wallenfels Open Space – Impact Assessment

It was

RECOMMENDED to accept the Impact Assessment, subject to a copy of the RoSPA Inspection Summary for Wallenfels Play Area 2011 being included.

Since the Impact Assessment had been finalised, further complaints had been received by the Borough Council and police, and a request had been made via the Rushcliffe Borough Council Officer for the following considerations:-

- The park should be locked at night, and the residents are willing to assist with this.
- Residents would like additional tree-planting of quick-growing trees.
- Residents would like access to footpath to Wades Way at the end of Mallard Close shut off and replaced with access off Swallow Drive, and provision of off-road parking in this location.

It was agreed to refer this matter to the next meeting. However, after suspending Standing Orders to allow a resident to speak, it was agreed that the resident should supply additional information on the type of trees, planting locations, etc. in order that the matter can be discussed at the next meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee. The Clerk to request further information from the Rushcliffe Borough Council Officer.

Standing Orders were reinstated.

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(c) Wynhill – Update on Town Pavilion Inspection

The Mayor, Councillor Mrs. M. Stockwood, gave an update on the recent inspection of the Town Pavilion (see copy attached).

7.00 MATTERS RELATING TO HILL DRIVE ALLOTMENTS:

01 Allotment Fees – Referral from Full Council to Reconsider Allotment Charges

Following a discussion and confirmation that the allotments should be self-financing, it was agreed to support the original decision to increase the allotment rents.

8.00 MATTERS RELATING TO CEMETERY AND CHURCHYARD:

01 Churchyard Wall

Following concerns in relation to the Churchyard Wall which was repaired a few years ago, it was agreed that the Clerk contacts the remedial firm for an up-to-date inspection report.

02 Request for Planting of a Tree at the Cemetery to Mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee

It was

RECOMMENDED to accept the offer from Bingham Heritage Trails Association to plant a tree.

9.00 CORRESPONDENCE:

01 Notification of Events to be held at the Town Pavilion Site

- (a) 22nd and 23rd June, 2012 - B.R.U.F.C. Beer & Wine Festival
- (b) 10th June and 12th August, 2012 – West Bridgford Model Car Club

02 Friends of Linear Park

Annual General Meeting, May, 2012. Noted.

03 E-mail of thanks for planting of trees at Wallenfels. Noted.

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04 Requests Received for Topping-Off of Trees on the Linear Walk

Clerk to ensure requests added to list.

05 Resident

Report that members of the public are taking a short cut through his garden when leaving the Linear Walk rather than exiting via Nottingham Road.
Clerk to report to police and request their advice.

As there was no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 8.25 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN.

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FOLIO REF.	DETAILS	ACTION TO BE TAKEN
Matters arising	Toothill School – Proposed Footpath Diversion Consultation.	Once consultation commences, meet with walking groups prior to responding.
	Leisure Centre	To consider any reports from R.B.C. in relation to future of Leisure Centres.
	Planned maintenance of play areas	To develop planned maintenance programme.
6517 Item 7.01 6 th June 2011	Cemetery seats to be rubbed down	Commenced – Good results.
Folio 6559	Wallenfels Play Area – Impact Assessment	On-going
Folio 6560	B.F.S.C. – Purchase of kitchen equipment.	On-going - £496.00 outstanding.
Folio 6560	B.F.S.C. – New water supply	On-going
Folio 6560	Butt Field Working Group	Councillors Mrs. M. Stockwood and F. Purdue-Horan to address plaque for interior.
Folio 6561	Bio-diversity	On-going
Folio 6562	Wychwood Road Play Area	Grant application ongoing
Folio 6563	Wynhill Teen Play Area – Vandalism	Insurance Company agreed cash settlement.
Folio 6688	Free-Running facilities – Wynhill	Clerk to contact N.C.C.Youth Services. Young people also to be kept updated.
Folio 6688	R.B.C .Leisure Strategy	Letter to R.B.C outstanding. Agreed to invite Bingham Leisure Centre Forum Group to a future meeting.

NOTES ON ANNUAL INSPECTION AT RUGBY CLUB
21st March, 2012, at 9.30 a.m.

In attendance : Mayor Cllr. Mrs. M. Stockwood
Mrs. L. Holland, Town Clerk
Rugby Club Representatives: J. Perry and J. Mitton

General inspection undertaken noting the following:-

1. Refurbishments already undertaken - Exterior lower partitions replaced; new alarm system installed; rear of bar area had been replaced; ladies toilet and disabled toilet and new toilets and sink in gents toilet.
2. Future projects include painting interior; improvements to bar area (new shelving required); kitchen and changing-room/shower area.
3. Priority is kitchen area where new units are required; sink unit, cooker and industrial size oven, along with changing room/shower area. Rugby Club hoping to obtain external grant-funding towards these two projects.
4. Hole in ceiling to be repaired where someone inadvertently put foot through whilst undertaking work in loft space.
5. J.P. raised possibility of additional exterior flood lights. Councillor Mrs. M. Stockwood suggested contact be made with R.B.C. and also view planning application submitted for Butt Field Sports Club flood-lights for information.
6. Noted chairs were still in a reasonable state.

Following agreed:

1. Replacement of kitchen units etc. - Detailed drawings to be sent to Clerk prior to installation.
2. Clerk to draft a booking form.
3. Review of lease to be considered noting a rent review was outstanding as it was subject to a five-yearly review and had not been undertaken in 2010.