

Minutes of a meeting of the **Recreational & Cemetery Committee** of Bingham Town Council held in The Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham, on **Tuesday, 25th November, 2008**, at **7.00 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Councillor	F. Kerry - Chairman
"	P. Abbey
"	R. Barnett
"	Mrs. A. Bryan
"	G. Davidson
"	F. Kerry
"	Mrs. M. Stockwood

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of interest received.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillor R. Barnett.

1.00 MINUTES:

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 30th September, 2008, having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

2.00 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (*For information*):

01 Hill Drive Allotments

It was reported that the proposed fencing on the Hill Drive allotments would prove too expensive to add concrete plinths to the fencing. Therefore, Bingham Town Council would be requested to address.

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

Standing Orders were suspended to allow a Butt Field Sports Club member to give a presentation.

01 Wind Turbine on Butt Field

Unfortunately, notification had been received that the grant application (LCB2) had been reduced to £15,096.10 due to project management and other installation charges totalling £1,264.71 being included in the original application. It was agreed to apply for planning permission via Bingham Town Council. The Town Clerk also confirmed receipt of a cheque from County Councillor M. Suthers.

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02 Contract Variations

The Clerk reported contract variations No's. 10 – 12 as per schedule. These had been put to the Butt Field Working Party.

10	06.10.08	Amended drawings 5907 B-01 J (1, 2, 3, 4 and 5) Quote from Klargester Environmental omit prov. Sum
11	27.10.08	£12,000.00
12	30.10.08	Revised quotation from Doras Hardware

Regarding remedial works on the new football pitches, it was agreed to accept the quotation from Fine Turf for these works. The Clerk to confirm direct to them. This had also been agreed by the Butt Field Working Party.

03 Flood Lighting

Pete Kennedy gave a presentation on this and confirmed that it would be beneficial if the current contractor could be used. It was agreed to go forward and seek planning permission based on the information provided. Mr. Kennedy to liaise with the Town Clerk.

04 Dog Fouling

The problem of dog-fouling was addressed and it was agreed there was a need for more signs and to ensure dogs were on leads, also to encourage considerate dog walking. The Clerk to speak to the Legal Department at Rushcliffe Borough Council.

05 Current Pavilion

The Town Clerk referred to an e-mail from the Cricket Club re. possible use of the current Pavilion. It was agreed to refer to Butt Field Sports Club.

Standing Orders were reinstated.

06 "Wallenfels" Play Area on the Bird Estate

The Clerk confirmed the community chest figures as supplied by Rushcliffe Borough Council and a plan showing a distance of 46m from the balancing pond to the edge of the area. It was agreed that the working group would now consist of Councillors P. Abbey, R. Barnett and the Clerk.

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3.00 MATTERS RELATING TO PLAYINGFIELDS, PLAY AREAS AND OPEN SPACES continued.....

06 “Wallenfels” Play Area on the Bird Estate continued.....

Town Clerk to confirm if Bingham Town Council is to take over all the area or just part of it, and also who retained responsibility for grass cutting. The working group to look at the suggested area and make recommendations bearing in mind they were aiming at disabled children as well, and, therefore, access would be a major consideration.

07 Cogley Lane Play Area

The Clerk also confirmed the repairs and maintenance at Cogley Lane for paint and equipment at a cost of £259.32. She requested to establish whether or not S106 monies could be used for fencing on Crow Close/Cogley Lane & obtain up to date quotes for welded mesh fencing.

4.00 MATTERS RELATING TO CEMETERY:

The Clerk presented an article from the Daily Mail dated 15th November, 2008, confirming certain Authorities were adopting four coffins to a grave space. Noted.

5.00 BUDGET 2009/2010

The following revenue budgets were recommended:-

Allotments

	<u>Budget</u> <u>2008/09</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>2009/10</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Rent (1)	400	400
Water charges	550	550
Maintenance (2)	<u>300</u>	<u>300</u>
	<u>1250</u>	<u>1250</u>
<u>Less Income</u>		
Rent (3)	<u>-300</u>	<u>-300</u>
	<u>950</u>	<u>950</u>

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5.00 BUDGET 2009/2010 continued.....

Cemetery/Church Yard

	<u>Budget</u> <u>2008/09</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>2009/10</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Rates	250	250
Water/drainage	335	335
Grave-digging	2000	2000
Electricity	320	320
Maintenance	1,000	500
Memorials	<u>550</u>	<u>550</u>
	4455	3955
<u>Less Income</u>		
Fees & Memorials	<u>-4350</u>	<u>-4350</u>
	<u>105</u>	<u>-395</u>

Recreation

	<u>Budget</u> <u>2008/09</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>2009/10</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Play Area Maintenance	4000	5000
Fees	250	250
Rent	250	250
Dog Bins (moved to Env)	0	0
P3	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	4500	5500
<u>Less Income</u>		
Play area maintenance	0	0
P3	0	0
Rents	-590	-590
Wayleaves	<u>-120</u>	<u>-120</u>
	<u>3790</u>	<u>4790</u>

The Clerk to check other allotment charges, etc.

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6.00 **CORRESPONDENCE:**

01 Linear Walk

Letters had been received regarding trees on the Linear Walk and it was agreed to accept the quotation from Nottinghamshire County Council for work to be carried out.

02 Bowland Road

Thank you letter.

03 Exercise Equipment

E-mail re. provision of older people's exercise equipment.

04 Rushcliffe Play Partnership

Letter received from Rushcliffe Borough Council confirming that funding is available and how it had been allocated. The next meeting has been arranged for the 10th December, 2008, at 10.00 a.m.

05 'Stop the Drop'

Literature had been received about this and it was agreed to refer to Environment Committee.

06 Bingham Leisure Centre

Councillor Abbey raised the matter of Bingham Leisure Centre re. lack of maintenance and concerns that it would be closing. It was agreed to write to Sue Griffiths, expressing concerns and ask about the Centre's future and the standard of maintenance.

07 Allotments

The Chairman confirmed to a member of the public that the lack of allotments was being addressed; however, there was nothing to report at the moment.

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5.00 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 public and Press be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw.”

The following matters were discussed:-

- 01 ALLOTMENTS**
- 02 BUTT FIELD**

As there was no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN.

Date: