

Minutes of a meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee, of Bingham Town Council, held in the Council Chamber at The Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham, on Tuesday 18th September at 7.00pm

PRESENT:

Councillors: J Stockwood (Chair), Jane Costello, M Stockwood (sub for F Purdue-Horan), P Moskwa and G Williams

Officer: S Pyke (Clerk)

Also in attendance: Councillor Shelton and Mr L Sycamore (Play Park Consultant)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillor Orr for holiday and Councillor Purdue-Horan who was attending another meeting.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Moskwa declared an interest in the Play Park refurbishment as he is a member of Bingham Community Parks Project.

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 24 July 2018, Folios 9027 to 9029 were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

4. PROGRESS UPDATE ON THE PLAYPARK REFURBISHMENT

The Play Park Consultant has been evaluating the comments and feedback in relation to the Carnarvon Place and Wychwood Road refurbishments following 2 public consultations over the summer. Feedback included comments from neighbouring properties who outlined their concerns. The Steering Group has also reviewed the comments and feedback.

It was confirmed that the Council will utilise a framework agreement.

The Play Park Consultant and the Clerk will be meeting toward the end of September to further progress the Play Parks and grant funding applications.

A written specification for both playparks is being worked on with a view to releasing in early October with a closing date of end of October/early November. Whilst play park companies within the framework agreement are working on their tender responses, the Play Park Consultant will commence preparatory work on the Cogley Lane play park.

Tender responses will be opened and validated in accordance with Standing Orders.

It was **RECOMMENDED** that: the tenders will then be collectively evaluated and scored at a meeting of representatives of the Recreation and Amenities Committee and from the Bingham Community Parks Project Steering Group on Tuesday 13 November 2018.

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5. REVIEW OF BUDGET VS EXPENDITURE TO 31 AUGUST 2018

The report was noted. The expenditure to date is in line with expectations. A small number of budget headings will exceed the budgeted amount but this is due to circumstances that have transpired after the budgets were set. There is scope to look at virements.

6. BUDGET PLANNING FOR THE FORTHCOMING FINANCIAL YEAR

A number of the larger projects in the pipeline will continue into the next financial year and will remain the priority, so budget planning needs to reflect that, with any new projects preferably being low cost or small in nature. Progress on delivering elements of the Brilliant Bingham Masterplan will need to be considered.

7. REQUEST FOR A MEMORIAL BENCH AT BINGHAM CEMETERY

It was **RECOMMENDED**: that this request be granted.

However, it was noted that there are few spaces left for memorial benches. Details of which should be included in the cemetery report being prepared.

8. POTENTIAL IDEAS FOR NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S LOCAL AWARD SCHEME GRANT FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS UP TO A VALUE OF £50,000

The Play Park project remains the primary candidate from this Committee.

9. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- a. Signage along the Linear Walk – A resident has made contact to in regard to the amount of dog poo left on the walk and wishes to see additional signage. The Committee support additional signage in principle subject to the Friends of Linear Park's views.

Meeting Closed at: 20:14

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CHAIRMAN

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- Memorial Bench request – to be granted.

ANY CONFIDENTIAL RECOMMENDATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED UNDER A SEPARATE AGENDA ITEM.