

Minutes of a meeting of the Community and Environment Committee, of Bingham Town Council, held in the Council Chamber at The Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham, on Tuesday 30 October 2018 at 7.15 pm

PRESENT:

Councillors: Jane Costello, F Purdue-Horan, J Best, Jim Costello, M Stockwood and K Vallance (substitute for R Bird).

Members of the public: Councillors A Shelton and P Moskwa

Officer: S Pyke (Town Clerk) and J Riddle (Deputy Clerk)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPTANCE

Councillor Bird sent his apologies as he had a prior engagement; which were accepted. Councillor Vallance attended as Councillor Bird's substitute.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No Declarations of interest were received.

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 04 September 2018, Folio 9056 to 9064 were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

4. UPDATE ON THE WORLD WAR I CENTENARY COMMEMORATIONS

The Committee received an update regarding the road closures, timings and advertising of the commemoration events.

5. UPDATE ON THE CHRISTMAS FAIR

An update from the Deputy Clerk regarding stalls and entertainment was noted.

6. CONSIDERATION OF PROGRESSION OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN FOLLOWING PUBLIC CONSULATION EVENTS

The Committee were updated that RCAN is confident that sufficient public interest had been shown to establish a steering group. It was agreed to email the interested parties to move forward in creating a group.

7. CONSIDERATION OF RCAN'S ENGAGEMENT IN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

It was agreed to obtain 2 further quotes and these would be considered by the Policy and Resources Committee.

8. CONSIDERATION OF TAKING FORWARD THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE BRILLIANT BINGHAM MASTERPLAN

The Committee considered some of the ideas mentioned within the masterplan. It was agreed to

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RECOMMEND: that a trial area of wild flowers be planted on the bank of the Linear Walk, Cemetery and verges in Bingham, working in conjunction with Nottinghamshire County Council and Rushcliffe Borough Council, where appropriate.

In years past, a week-long Bingham Festival had been held. The Committee discussed the event and it was agreed to

RECOMMEND: that the Bingham Festival be revived.

RECOMMEND: that the Chair and Vice Chair sign a letter of support to progress access for all at the train station.

9. REVIEW THE CURRENT CCTV PROVISION

The current CCTV system is dated and is prone to cameras failing. It was agreed to

RECOMMEND: that quotes and recommendations be obtained and brought back to Committee for consideration.

10. CONSIDERATION OF COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS TO STEP FORWARD

It was considered that it would be useful for the Council to hold a list of volunteers that would be willing to help within the community. There had been a recent clear up at the station with only one attendant from the community. It was agreed to

RECOMMEND: that a register of volunteers be created.

11. CONSIDERATION OF A COMMUNITY URBAN GARDENING PROJECT

It was decided that the project should be progressed a step at a time based on its merits and support from within the community. The Committee wished to pursue the purchase of planters and to engage with the community to create themed floral displays. It was agreed to defer the purchasing decision until after the budget was confirmed for the coming financial year.

12. REVIEW THE EXISTING EMERGENCY PLAN

It was agreed that the plan needed to be updated and local groups would need to be contacted. The plan would be brought back to the Committee once updated with current information.

13. REVIEW THE CIVIC AWARDS PROCESS

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As there was no policy in place for the Civic Awards, the Clerk sought the Committee's views on various discussion points to aid the development of a policy. The points agreed were noted and a draft would be considered by the Policy and Resources Committee.

14. CORRESPONDENCE

a) Nottinghamshire County Council – How to improve the use of the 822 bus service

It was noted that the service was not well used and the future did not look promising. The parishes have limited access to Bingham and it had been reported that the service is often cancelled and is not therefore reliable. The Committee were in support of the local parishes and it was agreed that a meeting be arranged with Chris Ward, the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

b) Lack of bike storage provision at the train station

It was agreed to contact Nottinghamshire County Council regarding the funding secured for cycle racks. It was also noted that the Council would be actively seeking facilities and infrastructure from the developer contributions as this becomes available.

Meeting Closed at: 9.50pm

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A trial area of wild flowers be planted at the Linear Walk, Cemetery and Verges
- Bingham Festival be revived
- The Chair and Vice Chair sign a letter of support to progress access for all at the train station.
- CCTV quotes and recommendations be obtained
- A register of volunteers be held by the Council

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CHAIRMAN

Date: