

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 03 September 2019 at 7.00pm

PRESENT:

Councillors: J Stockwood, A Shelton, P Moskwa, M Monni, V Leach, G Williams

Officers: J Riddle (Deputy Clerk)

Public: 2 Members of the Public and Councillor R Bird

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received and accepted from Councillor G Simms due to illness.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor P Moskwa declared an interest in item 4 as Chair of the Bingham Community Parks Group. Councillor A Shelton declared an interest in any items relating to the Linear Walk. Councillor G Williams declared an interest in item 6 as a Coach at the Rugby Club, the Twinning Association and in item 9c as a Borough Councillor. Councillor J Stockwood declared an interest in item 9c as a Borough Councillor and item 6, as the Rugby Club presentation material contained East Midlands Buildings Consultancy as a facilities hirer. Councillor V Leach declared an interest in item 5 as one of the Councillors currently investigating youth provision.

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 02 July 2019, Folios 9333 to 9236, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

It was voted to discuss item 6 before item 4, the minutes are recorded in agenda order.

4. TO CONSIDER MATTERS IN RELATION TO THE PLAYPARKS AND FURTHER ACTIONS

a) Orchard Park -

The letters of concern from residents were considered by the Committee. The residents would be asked to keep a diary of incidents and the local PSCO had offered to visit residents. Signage would be installed within the coming week and options of trees for screening would be investigated. Costs to move the equipment would also be investigated and the potential of CCTV if the problems persist.

Two new pieces of equipment were to be installed within the coming week at no charge to the Town Council, for the delays in the original installation. A site meeting to agree locations had been arranged. The Committee also considered that a green scooter rack from the options considered would best fit the theme of the park. Benches outside of the fenced area had been mentioned by many, a request was to be made for any outstanding money from the scooter rack donation, be used for this purpose. A quote for benches was to be obtained for the next meeting.

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b) Wychwood Road Play Area –

As the land completion was imminent, it was agreed that a re-submission to Wren for funding was the next step. The play park consultant suggested around 4 days work was required and prices should be re-confirmed with Kompan and it was agreed to

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A letter from a resident had also been received about the speed of cars near Wychwood Road park and a request for signage had been made. The Committee would consider options on knee high fences when the play area is re-furbished if there are further reports. Signage would need to be requested via Nottinghamshire County Council.

c) Cogley Lane Play Area –

The Committee was updated that the crows nest equipment was in need of repair and a quote for parts had been obtained. Costs for installation were awaited.

With regard to the play park refurbishment the play area consultant would need to start the process of consent from Historic England. It was agreed to

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d) Wallenfells –

A letter regarding the hedge works on the laid fences had been received by a resident. The hedges had been laid for visibility of a play park to passing traffic and so that the Council could maintain this area in house. A response would be sent to the resident.

5. UPDATE AND AGREE FURTHER ACTIONS WITH REGARDS TO YOUTH PROVISION

Councillor Leach updated the Committee that she would be visiting Toot Hill School and Robert Miles Junior School in the coming weeks to speak with them about youth provision. A petition for a skate park had been started by Councillor Leach, due to a large number expressing their preference for a skate park. It was considered that the best way forward would be for a community group to be formed and facebook page created, to start with an understanding of the issues and what youth provision ideas should be considered.

6. TO CONSIDER MATTERS IN RELATION TO THE RE-DEVELOPMENT OF THE WYNHILL SITE AND FURTHER ACTIONS

Standing orders were suspended at 7.15pm to allow two members of Bingham Rugby Club to give an update on the re-development plans for Wynhill.

A draft presentation had been created and the club wanted to understand if the Town Council had any queries; that it may be able to be included in any updated presentation. The Rugby

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Club talked the Committee through the plans. A full presentation would be made to the Council and public on 24 September.

Standing orders were re-instated at 8.05pm

7. UPDATE ON MATTERS RELATING TO BUTT FIELD

The Committee was updated that Councillors G Williams and J Stockwood had met with three members of Bingham Town Sports Club with the Acting Clerk.

The football club would be holding a meeting on 16 September regarding the pitch improvement programme. An update from the Sports Club, on the way forward with the Pitch Improvement Plan, would be given after this meeting had taken place. The meeting had led to a request that the Council speak with the Crown Estates regarding land surrounding Butt Field for a potential extension to the Football Club and Cricket Club as both had increasing needs. It was agreed to

RECOMMEND: that a meeting with the Crown Estate be arranged.

8. UNVEILING OF THE TWINNING SIGN

The sign would be unveiled once arrangements had been made with the installer. Councillors would be invited, along with the Twinning Association and Toot Hill students that were involved in creating the replica sign.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Horses on the Linear Walk
Photos would be brought back to Committee to better understand the issue.
- b) Request for a memorial plaque
A request for a plaque on a bench at Butt Field had been received. Subject to Bingham Town Sports Club having no objection, the Committee accepted the request.
- c) Rushcliffe Borough Council – prevention of unauthorised access to land
The Committee requested that an injunction for the whole borough be considered
- d) Seating at Wallenfells
The Committee noted the request, seating was available within the play area.

Meeting Closed at: 10.05pm

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CHAIRMAN

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- A meeting with the Crown Estates be arranged with Councillors