Minutes of a virtual meeting of the Community and Environment Committee, of Bingham Town Council, on Tuesday 10 November 2020 at 7.15pm

4PRESENT:

Councillors: J Lewis, A Shelton, M Stockwood, J Stockwood, J Best and W Stapleton

Members of the Public: 3 including Councillor F Purdue-Horan

Officers: S Pyke (Clerk) and J Riddle (Deputy Clerk)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPTANCE

All members of the committee were present.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

3. <u>MINUTES</u>

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 01 September 2020, Folio 9606 to 9607 were taken as read, approved and will be signed by the Chairman as a correct record retrospectively signed once the lockdown has been lifted.

Item 5 was taken before item 4; the minutes reflect the agenda order.

4. REVIEW OF OUTSTANDING DECISIONS AND FURTHER ACTIONS

A list of outstanding actions was reviewed and updates were given as follows:

- a) Flood Warden Scheme the Clerk updated that the grounds staff had agreed to sign up and receive training and that a member of the public had made their interest known.
- b) Operation London Bridge no further progress was reported
- c) Great British Clean Up the Chair thanked those Councillors and members of the public that had taken part.
- d) British Legion Remembrance plans were in place with the help of Bingham Community Events.
- e) Tree Planting Scheme a delay in sending out the trees was noted
- f) Wild Flower Planting no further progress had been made on the plans for the planting on the Cemetery bank. This was requested to remain on the next agenda.
- g) CCTV the maintenance of the current CCTV was noted for 11 November. No progress had been made due to resources and Cllrs Stockwood and Stapleton had an action to progress the item.

5. PRESENTATION ON THE RURAL GIGABIT BROADBAND VOUCHER SCHEME

The Committee received a presentation from Nottinghamshire County Council's Broadband Engagement Officer. During the presentation, it was noted that 65 properties had been identified as being suitable for the scheme, as they had broadband speeds of less than 100Mbps. If the Council wished to support an application to the voucher scheme, the details of the properties identified would be passed to the Clerk and a submission would be completed for Minutes of a virtual meeting of the Community and Environment Committee, of Bingham Town Council, on Tuesday 10 November 2020 at 7.15pm

the scheme. The Committee raised queries in how they could assist the scheme and what would be required. The Committee agreed to;

<u>RECOMMEND</u>: that the submission be completed for the Gigabit Voucher Scheme and the scheme be advertised via the Council's website and publications to assist in raising awareness to residents and businesses within Bingham.

An update to be brought before the next Full Council meeting on 15 December 2020.

6. <u>Q2 BUDGET TO ACTUALS TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2020</u>

The report was noted by the Committee.

7. BUDGET TO YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2022

The Committee considered the budgets and noted that consideration for the next town guide would need to be included in the budget if they wished to continue with a biannual edition. The Clerk made the Committee aware of the need for some updated artwork and a new map. The planting budget could be reviewed and lowered if there were no further plans for additional containers. The Christmas lighting budget would also need to reflect the costs of the new lighting scheme agreed and costs for a tree to be included if required. Progressing the hiring out of the market stalls was on hold because of other competing priorities so no budget provision would be made. The Neighbourhood Plan code would not require any budget provision as it transfer code, funding in and funding out.

8. FREQUENCY AND MEETINGS DATES FOR THE EMERGENCY PLAN

It was noted that the finalised document needed re-paging, the office would complete this task and Councillor Shelton would then forward the document to the members of the Emergency Plan Group. The document would then be sent to Full Council in December for adoption. The outstanding task of meeting with emergency planning officers from Rushcliffe Borough Council and Nottinghamshire County Council would be arranged in the new year when their officers had availability to attend.

9. ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE CIVIC AWARDS

Standing orders were suspended at 8.33pm and were re-instated at 8.43pm, to allow a member of the public to speak.

It was noted that local residents had been nominated as Unsung Heroes on social media and therefore many of these would be worthy of nomination for a Civic Award. The Committee encouraged the process to be followed and that additional nominations would be welcome up to the closing date of 30 November 2020.

The Committee were hopeful of still planning a spring event in March, subject to local restrictions. If this was not possible a virtual awards event would be planned as an alternative.

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An error in the printing of the forms within the Buttercross was noted and residents could visit the website for a form or contact the office to make a nomination.

10. PLANS FOR CHRISTMAS

The small trees above the shops needed to be in place by 24 November, due to an issue raised with the method to erect the trees, a quote had been obtained to outsource the work this year. A cost for removal will also be obtained before the December Full Council meeting.

Bingham Community Events were thanked for arranging a virtual light switch on for Bingham.

RECOMMEND: that the quote for £434.40 from Streetwise to erect the trees be accepted.

11. COUNCILLORS REPORTS

There were no reports.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Sports Holiday Club Proposal Positive Futures already provided this within Bingham but the company were thanked for the interest in the Town.
- b) Cycling through Eaton Place Signage was in place and cyclists were encouraged to dismount to access the cycle rack.
- c) Anti-social behaviour from noisy vehicles the resident has been signposted to the police and had spoken with the local PCSO.
- d) Puffin Crossing the consultation on a Puffin Crossing on the Nottingham Road would be advertised via the Town Council's website.

Recommendations:

- The application form be completed for the Gigabit Voucher Scheme and the scheme be advertised via the Council's website and publications to assist in raising awareness to residents and businesses within Bingham.
- The quote for £434.40 from Streetwise to erect the trees be accepted.

Meeting Closed at: 8:57pm

CHAIRMAN

Date: