PRESENT:

Councillors: J Lewis, W Stapleton, M Stockwood, J Stockwood and G Williams

Officers: J Riddle (Clerk)

Public: 2 including Councillors F Purdue-Horan and A Shelton

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillors V Leach and P Moskwa.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor J Lewis declared a non-pecuniary interest in items 4 and 16 as the director of Bomberz CIC. It was also noted that Councillor Lewis was on the Executive Committee of Notts Association of Local Council's, but would take part in item 18b. Councillor M Stockwood declared a non-pecuniary in any item relating to the British Legion. Councillors J Stockwood and G Williams confirmed that they would be approaching item 19 with an open mind and without pre-determination as members of the community were known to them.

3. MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of the Community and Environment Committee held on 09 August 2022, Folios 9952 to 9956, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

4. COMMITTEE PRIORITIES

The committee noted the update and Cllr J Stockwood confirmed the spec for CCTV would be sent to the Clerk and the committee wished to see the CCTV project progressed. The fencing at the south side allotments would be amended to correctly describe the palisade fencing.

5. Q2 BUDGET TO ACTUALS

The budgets presented were noted.

6. PLAY AREA UPDATES AND FURTHER ACTIONS

The updates for work on Orchard Park, Wallenfels and Wychwood Road were noted and it was agreed to:

RECOMMEND: to Finance, Policy and Resources that an overspend on the Play Area Maintenance budget be accepted for continued contractor support.

7. LITTER BINS AT BUTT FIELD

The report on increased litter issues and locations for additional bins at Butt Field from the litter and dog bin cost code was considered and it was agreed to:

RECOMMEND: that four additional bins be installed at Butt Field Playing Grounds in consultation with the Sports Clubs.

The committee asked that a review of all bin conditions be completed for consideration.

8. <u>CEMETERY REQUESTS</u>

(a) Out of area fees

The Committee were advised of the length of residency and reasons for leaving the town for a small amount of time. Without setting a precedent it was agreed to: **RECOMMEND:** that in area fees be applied.

(b) Exhumation of ashes

RECOMMEND: that permission be granted for the exhumation subject to the licences being in place.

(c) Purchase of adjacent grave

As there was no allocated space currently sited next to the grave, a decision was deferred until after the cemetery review had taken place.

9. CEMETERY REVIEW

The committee considered a quotation from the Institute of Cemetery & Crematorium Management (ICCM) for a review of the cemetery to include the rules and regulations, memorials options and benches. It was agreed to:

RECOMMEND: to Finance, Policy and Resources that the quote of £1500.00 from the ICCM for a review be accepted and added to the three years reserves plan for 2022/23

10. MEMORIAL TESTING

The committee considered the report containing three quotes for memorial testing at Bingham Cemetery and St Marys and All Saints Churchyard. The Clerk confirmed that information was awaited on the need for a faculty licence. The committee agreed to

RECOMMEND: that a budget be set for 2023/24 to allow work to commence in Summer 2023 for testing and repair. The ground staff would continue to monitor risks before full testing commences.

11. Linear Park Bridge Inspection

The committee noted the progress that expert advice how now been received and work would continue to identify responsibilities, speak with neighbouring land owners and identify any costs for remedial work.

The schedule of monitoring the bridges was considered to coincide with each review of the bio-diversity action plan. The report would be shared with the Friends of Bingham Linear Park and a review was agreed to take place every 4-5 years.

12. BORE HOLE REQUEST

The committee noted the request of Severn Trent Water to proceed with bore holes across three owned sites, two of which have tenants. The committee agreed that the Council's tenants be asked for their views or queries, prior to the Finance, Policy and Resources meeting for consideration and recommendation to Full Council.

13. ACCOUNTS FOR THE CHRISTMAS MARKET 2021 & SUMMER FAIR 2022

As the Bingham Community Events accounts were not available for the meeting, it was agreed to defer the item until the next agenda.

14. ACCOUNTS & ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE CHRISTMAS MARKET 2022

The committee noted the report and that there would be an overspend on the budget. It was agreed to

RECOMMEND: to Finance, Policy and Resources that an overspend on the budget for the Christmas Market 2022 be approved.

15. MAYORS CHRISTMAS MARKET STALL

The Mayor confirmed that representatives of the Vale of Belvoir Rotary Club would be assisting him with the Mayors stall and that would be raising awareness of their work on the stall. The Rotary Club were also assisting with road closures on the night. The Mayor was still considering the games/products for the stall, where all profits received would be donated to the Mayor's Charity fund.

16. CHAPEL LANE CONSULTATION

The committee noted the architects update and that the next stage would be to arrange a meeting with the Council to review to work prior to publishing. The Clerk would confirm a meeting with the architects.

17. FINDING FITNESS FEEDBACK

The feedback from residents accessing the free sports club in the summer was noted and the committee were updated that 160 children attended the club across the two week period.

18. CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) Rushcliffe Borough Council Leisure Strategy Consultation The Clerk confirmed that this had been shared with sports clubs and had been placed on the website.
- (b) NALC independent review into Net Zero It was agreed that this item would be placed on the next agenda for further consideration.
- (c) Parish Climate Change Action Rushcliffe Borough Council presented information at the recent Town and Parish Forum. Once information had been received, it would be placed on an agenda for detailed consideration.
- (d) SWOT Analysis for residents of the Conservation Area The Clerk confirmed that information had been shared with BHTA, on the website and in the Buttercross magazine for November 2022. It was noted that residents had reported the form difficult to complete. The feedback would be sent to the Borough Council.
- (e) The Banks Survey A resident had requested that the committee be made aware of a residents survey on The Banks and Fisher Lane for speed Humps by Nottinghamshire County Council and as a resident of The Banks, a letter had not been received by the resident.
- (f) Remembrance Bricks The committee noted the availability of remembrance bricks from Barratts and it was agreed to look at options for siting/installation at the next meeting.

19. CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Civic award nominations

RECOMMEND: that Civic Awards be granted to the list of nominees.

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm	
	CHAIRMAN
	Date:

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Recommend to Finance, Policy and Resources that an overspend on the Play Area Maintenance budget be accepted for continued contractor support.
- Four additional bins be installed at Butt Field Playing Grounds in consultation with the Sports Clubs.
- Permission be granted for the exhumation of ashes subject to the licences being in place.
- Recommend to Finance, Policy and Resources that the quote of £1500.00 from the ICCM for a review be accepted and added to the three years reserves plan for 2022/23
- That a budget be set for 2023/24 for memorial testing to allow work to commence in Summer 2023 for the testing and repair. The ground staff would continue to monitor risks before full testing commences.
- Recommend to Finance, Policy and Resources that an overspend on the budget for the Christmas Market 2022 be approved.
- Civic Awards be granted to the list of nominees