# Minutes of a Meeting of Bingham Town Council held on Tuesday 21 March 2023 at 7.00pm in the Council Chamber at the Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham

#### PRESENT:

Councillors: G Williams, R Bird, T Birch, F Purdue-Horan, T Wallace, V Leach, N Mees, A Shelton, M Stockwood, J Best and W Stapleton

Officer/s: J Riddle (Clerk)

Public: 5 (Including County Cllr N Clarke)

## 1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillors P Moskwa, J Lewis and J Stockwood. The Council accepted an extension of apologises until the elections for Cllr Moskwa due to work commitments.

# 2. <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

No declarations of interest were received.

#### 3. PUBLIC SESSION

A member of the public asked for the Council's assistance in bringing two trees to the attention of the appropriate land owner. The issue with the trees neighbouring the residents property would be investigated and the resident contacted with the outcome. The resident also wished to pass on their thanks for the bus stop installed on Carnarvon Place.

#### 4. MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor confirmed that he had unveiled the plaque in the Jubilee Community Hall at Bingham Arena and had received a tour of the facilities. Bingham Town Council held the Civic Awards in the new Jubilee Community Hall and the Mayor confirmed that he was delighted to have presented the awards and to see approx. 60 attendees enjoying the new facility.

The Deputy Mayor asked that it be noted that it was disappointing that Bingham Town Councillors had not been invited to the official opening and unveiling of the Jubilee Community Hall plaque.

## 5. MINUTES

- (a) **RESOLVED:** that the minutes of the meeting held on 17 January 2023 (Folios 10009 to 10012), having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and were signed by the Mayor as an accurate record.
- (b) **RESOLVED:** that the minutes of the extra-ordinary meeting held on 14 March 2023 (Folio 10026), having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and were signed by the Mayor as an accurate record

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## 6. COMMITTEE MINUTES

- (a) Community, Recreation and Amenities, 07 February 2023 **RESOLVED:** that the committee recommendations be approved.
- (b) Finance, Policy & Resources, 07 March 2023 **RESOLVED:** that the committee recommendations be approved.
- (c) Wynhill Redevelopment Committee, 14 March 2023

  RESOLVED: that the committee recommendations be approved.
- (d) Car Park Committee, 18 January 2023

  RESOLVED: that the committee recommendations be approved.
- (e) Planning Committee, 07 February 2023
  The decisions of the meeting were noted.
- (f) Planning Committee, 07 March 2023The decisions of the meeting were noted.

# 7. CODE OF CONDUCT

The Local Government Association (LGA) Model Councillor Code of Conduct and guidance was received by the Council and it was

**RESOLVED**: to adopt the LGA Model Councillor Code of Conduct.

# 8. INTERNAL CONTROLS

**RESOLVED:** to accept the updated internal controls.

## 9. COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

The Council noted views regarding re-consideration of the delegated authorities for committees, options for a reduction in meetings, but also a note that committees have many items to consider. The May meeting would consider the structure for the 2023/2024 cycle of meetings.

#### **10. ASSET REGISTER**

**RESOLVED:** that the LG Fridge and computer keyboard be removed from the asset register and the Clerk be given delegated authority to progress options for the trade in of small pieces of grounds equipment when seeking replacements within the Council's budget.

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# 11. LOCAL COUNCILS AWARD SCHEME

The Council considered the requirements for the Foundation Award and it was

**RESOLVED:** that the Council confirmed that they met all of the requirements for the Foundation Award and the application be submitted for consideration.

#### 12. SOCIAL MEDIA

The Council considered progression of a Facebook page for Town Council events and news. Further information on the running and planned content would be planned for consideration before a page was launched and a detailed media policy would also be created for consideration and adoption.

**RESOLVED:** to proceed with plans for a Town Council Facebook page.

## 13. CONSERVATION AREA REVIEW

The Council noted the review and the consultation event planned for 25 March 2023 at Bingham Library.

# 14. A52 GAMSTON TO BINGHAM STUDY

Councillors expressed views to include the slowness of traffic between Saxondale Island and Radcliffe on Trent due to the single carriageway. The junction at the top of Tithby Road was noted as a major concern with two accidents noted in recent weeks, speeding traffic around the traffic islands and the slow bus route to town.

#### **15. ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

**RESOLVED:** to arrange a venue for the Annual Town Meeting for 23 May 2023.

#### 16. INVOICES

No invoices were presented for payment.

#### 17. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

No reports were received.

#### 18. CORRESPONDENCE

a) Growth Board Minutes – The minutes of the meeting held on 22 February 2023 were noted.

# 15. <u>CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS</u>

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PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE NEXT BUSINESS, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS PROPOSED, SECONDED AND CARRIED:

"That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable

in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw"		
•	Confidential notes, Full Council meeting held on 17 January 2023  The notes were accepted as an accurate record.	
•	Confidential notes, Finance, Policy and Resources Committee meeting on 07 March 2023	
	The notes were accepted.	
•	Cemetery matters	
	<b>RESOLVED:</b> to accept the alterations.	
•	Staff Matters	
	RESOLVED: to accept the request.	
	The Meeting closed at 9.11pm.	
		CHAIRMAN
		Date