

Minutes of a Meeting of Bingham Town Council
held on Tuesday 07 November 2023 at 7:00pm
in the Council Chamber at the Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham

PRESENT:

Councillors: R Bird, G Williams, A Shelton, S Perkins, N Jejna, N Mees, V Leach, W Stapleton, M Stockwood, F Purdue-Horan and P Walters.

Officers: J Riddle (Clerk)

Public: 2 Including County Councillor N Clarke

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillors E Georgiou, T Wallace and M Baulcombe.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declaration of interest were received.

3. MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor confirmed that he had attended:

- Flintham Show
- RBC Car Parking Strategy meeting
- Retirement event at Bingham Fire Station to mark a retirement after 32 years service
- Walk with Neighbourhood Police Insp for Rushcliffe at Bingham and meeting with cllrs
- Annual Civic Service
- Assisted the RBL to sell poppies

The Mayor announced that he would be supporting the charity, Mind for the civic year 2023/24.

4. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

No questions were received.

5. MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 19 September 2023 (Folios 10101 to 10104), having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and were signed by the Mayor as an accurate record.

6. COMMITTEE MINUTES

(a) Community, Recreation & Amenities, 03 October 2023

RESOLVED: that the recommendations of the committee be accepted.

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(b) Finance, Policy & Resources, 24 October 2023

RESOLVED: that the recommendations of the committee be accepted.

(c) Planning Committee, 03 October 2023

RESOLVED: that the decisions of the meeting be noted.

(d) Planning Committee, 24 October 2023

RESOLVED: that the decisions of the meeting be noted.

7. **COUNCILLOR MOTION**

This Council is deeply concerned at the deteriorating condition of some of Bingham's main roads, in particular, Long Acre, the crossroads at the White Lion pub and Nottingham Road.

This Council supports efforts to bring this issue to the attention of Nottinghamshire County Council (and its agent VIA,) with the objective to re-surface and improve the road quality to a safe and appropriate standard for both users of vehicles and bicycles.

Proposer: Councillor F Purdue-Horan

Seconder: Councillor W Stapleton

During the item, standing orders were suspended at 7.43pm to allow County Councillor N Clarke to update the Council on his continued support to raise the priority of the re-surfacing work. A member of the public also updated the Council on the concern they had raised regarding the road surfaces and safety. Standing orders were re-instated at 7.53pm.

Councillors confirmed that the NCC website and emails often refers to the issues being resolved, when no action can be identified. The reporting system and accuracy of the information received by residents was noted as a major concern. An amendment to the motion was accepted by the proposer and seconder.

RESOLVED: This Council calls for this issue to be brought to the attention of Nottinghamshire County Council (and its agent VIA,) with the objective to re-surface and improve the road quality to a safe and appropriate standard for both users of vehicles and bicycles. A letter to raise the condition of the roads be sent to NCC also confirming the inaccuracy of responses received by residents and councillors.

8. **SAFER STREET 5 FUNDING**

The Council noted that Safer Streets 5 funding had been confirmed, this would result in a replacement 6 camera CCTV system in 2024. The group leading the project would be invited to attend a meeting to confirm further details regarding the project the Council's involvement.

9. BINGHAM CAR PARKING STRATEGY GROUP

The Council considered the offer of a further member to represent the Council on the RBC led Car Parking Strategy Group.

RESOLVED: that Councillor N Mees be nominated as the second representative on the Car Parking Strategy Group.

10. MOORBRIDGE ROAD JUNCTION CONSULTATION

No formal comments were agreed for the initial consultation.

11. CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

RESOLVED: to agree the alterations to the May 2024 meeting.

12. INVOICES

RESOLVED: to make payment of £18,275.20 to Bingham Rugby Club to support repairs and improvements to Wynhill Pavilion and £6600 to Welham Associates for their feasibility work on the Chapel Lane Community Land.

13. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Having been unable to attend the last meeting, Councillor M Stockwood confirmed that the Rural Market Town Group's main focus was on funding opportunities for rural areas.

Councillor N Mees confirmed that he had attended his first meeting at Notts ALC and has been elected to the executive committee. He confirmed that the new CEO was in post and that the constitution document that the Town Council had raised concerns regarding was to be reviewed and was not adopted.

Councillor G Williams updated the Council that the Twinning Association had arranged its 9th Bavarian Beer Festival for September 2024, to mark 40 years of the twinning friendship with Wallenfels.

14. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was received.

15. CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

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

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“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 from the Community, Recreation and Amenities meeting held on 03 October 2023.

RESOLVED: to accept the recommendations.

- Staffing

The Council noted that after successful recruitment, the new office team member had commenced employment with the Council.

Meeting Closed at 8.45pm.

.....CHAIRMAN

Date:

