

Minutes of a Meeting of Bingham Town Council  
held on Tuesday 25 July 2023 at 7:00pm  
in the Council Chamber at the Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham

**PRESENT:**

Councillors: R Bird, G Williams, F Purdue-Horan, A Shelton, T Wallace, S Perkins, N Jejna, N Mees, E Georgiou, W Stapleton and M Baulcombe.

Officers: J Riddle (Clerk)

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**1. APOLOGIES**

An apology for absence was received and accepted from Cllr M Stockwood.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declaration of interests were received.

**3. MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor confirmed that he had attended:

- The DIY SOS event at Bingham Rugby Club and noted the large amount of work taking place by all the volunteers
- A meeting with Carnarvon Primary School regarding traffic and parking issues
- Chaired the Police Priority Setting meeting
- Noted the yarn bombers acts of kindness around Archers Lake

County Councillor F Purdue-Horan gave an update that confirmation had been received that an extension to the double yellow lines and H bars painted across a driveway entrance would be completed in August 23.

**4. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

No questions or comments were received.

**5. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:** that the minutes of the meeting held on 27 June 2023 (Folios 10069 to 10072), 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) Finance, Policy & Resources 04 July 2023

**RESOLVED:** that the recommendations of the committee be accepted.

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(b) HR, 11 July 2023

**RESOLVED**: that the recommendations of the committee be accepted.

(c) Wynhill Re-Development, 19 July 2023

The Council noted that one of the four items receiving grant support had altered since the committee meeting and it was agreed that the committee should meet to re-consider the item. The Council amended the recommendation to award total of £8915.20.

**RESOLVED**: that the recommendations of the committee be accepted with the amendment to the award to Bingham Rugby Club.

(d) Planning Committee, 04 July 2023

**RESOLVED**: that the decisions of the meeting be noted.

(e) Extra Ordinary Planning Committee, 18 July 2023

**RESOLVED**: that the decisions of the meeting be noted.

## 7. **CO-OPTION**

The Council noted the advertising of the co-option vacancy in the North East Ward.

## 8. **NETWORK RAIL**

The Council considered a draft response to Network Rails letter of 26 June 23. The Council noted the email received with an update to timescales for the agreed actions. The Clerk confirmed that the letter would be sent in consultation with Rushcliffe Borough Council.

**RESOLVED**: that the response be approved.

## 9. **INSURANCE**

The annual renewal of the Council's insurance with Zurich Insurance was noted and that this was year four of the five-year term.

## 10. **SERVER**

The recommendation from the Finance, Policy and Resources Committee was reviewed and an update on the server costs with 32GB RAM was considered.

**RESOLVED**: to accept the quote with the 32GB Server with 5 years pro support.

## **11. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS' CONSTITUTION**

The Council review the proposed changes and it was agreed that the limited time frame for consideration, due to a technical error, was not acceptable as it did not allow for an updated draft to be shared after initial views. The Council wished to object to several changes and all points of concern noted would be confirmed to NALC.

**RESOLVED:** the Clerk contact NALC to raise the objections and ask for the comments to be shared with other member Council's and to contact the Council's current representative and raise the concerns over the timescales for consideration.

## **12. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS 78TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

(a) Voting Delegate

**RESOLVED:** to appoint Councillor N Mees as the Voting Delegate

(b) Election of Officers

No nominations were received.

(c) Executive Committee

**RESOLVED:** to nominate Councillor N Mees to the Executive Committee

(d) Long Service Award

No Councillors were identified as reaching the 25 plus years.

## **13. ROOM HIRE REQUEST**

**RESOLVED:** to give free room hire to Rushcliffe Community Voluntary Service for a one-off meeting with the local Warm Spaces.

## **14. CEMETERY TREE DAMAGE**

The Council noted the tree damage to the memorials in Bingham Cemetery and initial advice sought. Advice from the insurers was outstanding at the time of the meeting.

**RESOLVED:** to give delegated authority to the Clerk to work with the Chair of Community, Recreation and Amenities to progress any appropriate actions in relation to the damage.

## **15. COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

Councillor R Bird confirmed that he chaired the Police Priority Setting Meeting and that the meeting has been well attended. Two of the priorities were anti social behaviour and the use of electric scooters. It was noted that 50 warnings had been given for use of electric scooters and if witnessed for a second time, the scooters would be removed and crushed. It was confirmed that after 4 years of Chairing the meeting, a new Chair would be preferable and this would be decided at the next meeting.

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Councillor G Williams confirmed that he had attended recent Twinning Association Meetings as the Council's representative and that plans were being progressed for the 40 Year Anniversary in 2024.

**16. CORRESPONDENCE**

No correspondence was received.

**17. 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:

"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 annual meeting held on 27 June 2023  
**RESOLVED:** that the notes be approved.
- Confidential recommendations from the HR meeting held on 11 July 2023  
**RESOLVED:** that the recommendations be approved.

Meeting Closed at 8.22pm.

.....CHAIRMAN

Date: .....