

Minutes of a Meeting of Bingham Town Council
held on Tuesday 19 March 2024 at 7.00pm
in the Council Chamber at the Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham

PRESENT:

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

Officer/s: J Riddle (Clerk) and C Beecroft (Deputy Clerk)

Public: 3 (Including County Cllr N Clarke)

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillors T Wallace and S Perkins.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor R Bird declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 15 (Community, Recreation and Amenities Private and Confidential Minutes). Councillor F Purdue-Horan declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 15, staff matters as a member of the Nottinghamshire Pensions Fund committee at Nottinghamshire County Council.

3. PUBLIC SESSION

No comments or questions were received.

4. MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor confirmed that he had attended the following:

- Police Priority Setting Meeting
- Market Place event to promote the work of Mind (Mayors Charity 2023/24)
- Archers Lake update meeting with Barratts

5. MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2024 (Folios 10136 to 10138), 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, 06 February 2024

RESOLVED: that the committee recommendations be approved.

(b) Finance, Policy & Resources, 05 March 2024

RESOLVED: that the committee recommendations be approved.

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(c) Car Park Committee, 12 March 2024

RESOLVED: that the committee recommendations be approved.

(d) Planning Committee, 06 February 2024

The decisions of the meeting were noted.

(e) Planning Committee, 05 March 2024

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7. CODE OF CONDUCT

The Council reviewed the LGA Model Code of Conduct and it was

RESOLVED: to re-adopt the Model Code of Conduct

8. INTERNAL CONTROLS

RESOLVED: to accept the updated Internal Controls

9. ASSET REGISTER

RESOLVED: to remove 4 BT Handsets, 4 Dell desktop computers, Dell Server, Kettle and 5 Wooden Chairs from the Asset Register

10. PLAY AREA INSPECTION SUPPORT

RESOLVED: to accept the quotation of £3375 from Streetwise for 3 months play area inspection support from the open space/play area budget for 2024/2025.

11. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS FOR WORKS LED BY THE BOROUGH AND COUNTY

The Council considered how communication between key stakeholders could be improved so that works taking place in Bingham are known to all Town Councillors.

It was agreed that Borough and County Councillors would be asked to communicate known works to the Town Council and an item for Borough and County Councillor reports would be added to future Full Council agendas. Roadwork bulletins would also be shared with all Councillors and would continue to be added to the Town Council website. Notice boards would also be utilised where appropriate information need to be shared.

12. INVOICES

RESOLVED: to approve payment of £7566.66 plus vat and £2132.02 plus vat to the Crown Estates for Bridleway works (50% recharge to Bingham Town Sports Club), £10,000 to RBC

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for match funding for the Town Centre CCTV and £10,700 plus vat for Town Centre Praking Surveys.

13. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor R Bird confirmed the priorities agreed at the Police Priority Setting meeting in January were traffic, parking and the use of E Scooters.

Councillor V Leach confirmed that she had attended the ASB Summit Chaired by MP Robert Jenrick where several Councillors had been present.

Councillor N Mees reported on the NALC executive meeting held in January and confirmed that the executive committee has agreed changes to the constitution.

Councillor G Williams confirmed that the Twinning Association has arranged a Beer Festival to be held on 6 and 7 September at the Jubilee Hall at Bingham Arena. Members of the Twinning Association were travelling to Wallenfels take part in events to celebrate the 40th anniversary of Twinning.

Councillor M Stockwood confirmed that all Councillors receive the Rural Market Town Groups Bulletin via email and that it should be noted that rural areas, like Bingham, are underfunded.

14. CORRESPONDENCE

a) Notts On Demand Bus Service – the Council noted the service starting in the area from 08 April. Further information would be shared with Cllrs.

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:

“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”

The following matters were discussed:

- Confidential notes from the Council meeting held on 16 January 2024

RESOLVED: to approve the notes

- Confidential recommendations from the Community, Recreation & Amenities meeting held on 06 February 2024

RESOLVED: to approve the recommendation of the committee

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- Staff matters

RESOLVED: to accept the report and proceed with the advice received in the agreed order, accepting the costs for any services accessed.

The Meeting closed at 8.56pm.

.....CHAIRMAN

Date.....

