

Minutes of a meeting of the Finance, Policy & Resources Committee of Bingham Town Council
held on Tuesday 07 January 2025 at 7.15pm
held in the Council Chamber of The Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham

PRESENT:

Councillors: R Bird, M Stockwood, G Williams, A Shelton, F Purdue-Horan and N Mees.

Officer: J Riddle (Town Clerk)

Members of the Public: 0

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologises for absence were received and accepted from Councillors E Georgiou, T Wallace and N Jejna. Councillors G Williams and A Shelton were noted as a substitute members and Councillor F Purdue-Horan Chaired the meeting as the Vice Chair.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor N Mees declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 10 as a family member volunteers for Bingham Community Events. Councillor F Purdue-Horan declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 15 as a County Councillor considering support for the group and abstained from the vote.

3. MINUTES

The minutes of 05 November 2024, Folio 10239 to 10242 were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

4. OUTSTANDING DECISIONS AND AGREE FURTHER ACTIONS

The committee noted the updated decisions and actions report.

5. ACCOUNTS PAID REPORT TO 30 NOVEMBER 2024

RESOLVED: to approve the accounts paid report of £69,837.38.

6. BANK RECONCILIATIONS

RESOLVED: to approve the reconciliation reports to 31 October 2024 and 30 November 2024.

7. BUDGET TO ACTUALS TO 30 NOVEMBER 2024

RESOLVED: to approve the budget to actuals report to 30 November 2024.

8. THREE YEAR RESERVES PLAN

The committee noted the updated.

9. COMMITTEE STRATEGIC PRIORITIES AND PROJECTS 2025 - 2028

RECOMMEND: the updated draft strategic priorities and projects list be approved

The Council would meet to further consider the budget requirements and priority order of projects prior to final approval.

10. BINGHAM COMMUNITY EVENTS PARTNERSHIP

The committee agreed that the variety of provision of events was positively received by the Town and the committee supported the work of Bingham Community Events in continuation of delivering the annual events. The accounts were noted with a request for more detailed information on the accounts received and future accounts.

RECOMMEND: £7500 be budgeted to support Bingham Community Events delivering the 2025 schedule of events.

11. BUDGET REQUIREMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2026

The budget requirements for the Council's assets, services and projects were considered and it was agreed to

RECOMMEND: approval of the draft budget of £437,032.

12. BUTT FIELD STORAGE FACILITY

RESOLVED: to accept the quotation of £800 plus VAT and disbursements from Welham Architects to support the planning application for the storage facility.

13. REPAIRS TO OLD COURT HOUSE STEEL FIRE ESCAPE

RESOLVED: to accept the quotation of £890 plus VAT from Panbridge Construction Ltd for the recommended work to the steel fire escape.

14. COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATIONS

(a) COMMUNITY HEARTBEAT TRUST

RESOLVED: to grant £540 plus VAT to the Community Heartbeat Trust to support a 4 year maintenance contract for the Town Centre defibrillator.

(b) BINGHAM METHODIST CENTRE

RESOLVED: to grant £500 to Bingham Methodist Centre to support delivery of a Heritage weekend.

(c) BINGHAM COMMUNITY BIG BAND

RESOLVED: to grant £750 to Bingham Community Big Band to support capital costs in relation to the membership of an IT platform and music folders.

15. ROOM HIRE - GOOD GRIEF DEAR COUNSELLING SERVICE

RESOLVED: to grant free room hire at the Old Court House to Good Grief Dear for the initial 6-week course.

16. EVENT BODY CAMERAS

The committee considered staff and volunteer safety at the events. It was agreed that Bingham Community Events and staff would meet and further consideration of safety ideas would be investigated.

17. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE POLICE LEASE TERMINATION

The committee noted the termination and that the rooms would be vacated by 31 March 2025.

18. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence received.

19. CONFIDENTIAL

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:

- Land at Cogley Lane

The meeting closed at: 8.48pmCHAIRMAN

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