Minutes of a Meeting of Bingham Town Council
held on Tuesday 06 October 2026 at 7:00pm
in the Council Chamber at the Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham

PRESENT:

Councillors: T Wallace, A Shelton, N Jejna, N Mees, M Baulcombe, I Shouler, M Stockwood, H Brougham, F Purdue-Horan, E Georgiou, R Bird, P Walters.

Officers: J Riddle (Clerk) C Beecroft (Clerk's Assistant)

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1. APOLOGIES

Apologises for absence were received and accepted from Councillors G Williams and W Stapleton.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor P Walters declared an interest in item 8 Toot Hill Redevelopment, as an employee of Toot Hill School.

Councillor M Stockwood declared an interest in item 8, Toot Hill Redevelopment and item 12a as a member of the Royal British Legion.

Councillor F Purdue-Horan declared an interest in item 8, Toot Hill Redevelopment.

Councillor A Shelton declared an interest in item 12a as a member of the Royal British Legion.

3. MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor confirmed he had attended:

- A meeting at Archers Lake with representatives of Encore Estate Management and Barratt Homes in relation to transfer of maintenance responsibilities at the site
- Merchant Navy Day at the Old Court House
- A meeting with representatives of the Football Foundation, RBC, Bingham Football Club and the project support officer working on behalf of Rushcliffe Borough Council
- Bingham Parking Group meeting at Rushcliffe Borough Council

The Mayor also announced plans to support the Jan Parnham Trust as the Mayors Charity.

4. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

A representative of Bingham Football Club introduced themselves and confirmed that they would be remain for item 9 on the agenda to answer any queries relating the Butt Field items.

5. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

County Councillor's N Clarke and S Pearsons apologise were noted. No updates were received.

6. MINUTES

Cllr Walters requested an alteration to correct the spelling of his name at item 10 and Councillor F Purdue- Horan requested that the motion submitted at item 10 be included prior to the amended motion.

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 1 September 2026 (Folios 10445 - 10449), having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and were signed by the Mayor as an accurate record subject to the amendments.

7. COMMITTEE MINUTES

(a) **RESOLVED:** that the minutes of the Community, Recreation & Amenities meeting held on 28 July 2026 (Folios 10434 - 10436), having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and were signed as an accurate record.

(b) **RESOLVED:** that the minutes of the Finance, Policy & Resources meeting held on 11 August 2026 (Folios 10439 – 10440), having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and were signed as an accurate record.

(c) Planning committee 15 September 2026
The decisions of the committee were noted.

8. REDEVELOPMENT OF TOOTHILL SCHOOL 26/01009/FUL

RESOLVED: The Town Council reconsidered the application and updated information at its meeting held on 06 October 2026, maintained its previous objections and made the following comments:

- The Council supports the points made by Nottinghamshire County Council's Highways Report dated 09/09/26 regarding travel and parking.

- The Council agrees with the request made by Nottinghamshire Area Ramblers on 22.09.26 and Active Travel England on 21.09.26 for the PROW to include ramps to ensure it is fully accessible. They also support the views of the Nottinghamshire County Council's Public Rights of Way (18 August 2026) that ramps would be of benefit to members of the public.

  RESOLVED: The Town Council also considered the application, as the neighbouring landowner of Bingham Cemetery, at its meeting held on 06 October 2026, maintained its previous objections and made the following comment:

- The letter from WSP dated 15 July states '*The submitted Noise Impact Assessment addresses the risk of noise from these external sports facilities impacting funerals and the adjacent cemetery.'* The Noise Impact Assessment from March 2026 (uploaded onto the RBC planning portal on 10.06.26) does not reference Bingham cemetery or funerals taking place in close proximity to MUGA 1 and MUGA 2. The document states '*The residential properties to the north of the site (on The Banks) are considered to be the closest Noise Sensitive Receptors (NSRs)'*. The cemetery should be noted as closer than the residential properties considered. Due to the nature of the cemetery as a place of reflection and mourning that requires a quiet and peaceful environment, the noise impact on the cemetery should be thoroughly assessed to ensure that this local amenity is not directly affected by noise, with Funerals taking place during the hours of school use.

9. BUTT FIELD

Standing orders were suspended at 7.39pm and were re-instated at 7.46pm, to allow the representative of Bingham Town Football Club to give background information to the agenda items.

(a) AGP Framework
The enable the Football Foundation to complete desktop studies of the Butt Field/Old Allotment site, it was confirmed that the AGP Framework information form required submission. If considered feasible to progress a 3G facility at the site with associated parking, further consideration would be required.

RESOLVED: to support submission of the AGP Framework information

(b) Hedgerow Improvements

RESOLVED: to support the delivery of BNG with hedgerow and verge improvements at the Butt Field site as part of the new access road project.

(c) Replacement Kitchen

RESOLVED: to grant support as the landlord for the application for a replacement kitchen at Butt Field.

10. WYNHILL LEASE

RESOLVED: to grant delegated authority to the Clerk to incur legal costs for the lease at Wynhill to be re-started at a 30 year term and with a change of leaseholder to reflect the Rugby Clubs current status.

11. LINEAR PARK

RESOLVED: to grant delegated authority to the Clerk to grant any estimated remaining budgeted funds to the biodiversity work at Bingham Linear Park.

12. COMMUNITY GRANT AID

(a) NBH Studios CIC application

RESOLVED: to award up to £1000 to NBH Studios CIC on the production of external invoices to support the delivery of the Bingham Remembers project.

(b) Bingham Musical Theatre Company – request to re-allocate grant funds awarded

RESOLVED: to grant permission for the re-allocation of funds awarded to support the delivery of a sing-alone musical event at Long Acre Studios.

13. COMMUNITY TREE PLANTING SCHEME

RESOLVED: that a tree be obtained through the scheme to be planted at an area at Butt field and delegated authority be granted to the Clerk to request additional trees if further areas are identified.

14. CHURCHYARD WALL

The Council noted the update.

15. PAYMENTS OVER £5000

No payments were received.

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16. COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Councillor M Stockwood confirmed she had attended a meeting of the Patient Participation Group ran by the Belvoir Health Group. It was noted that due to a supply issue, flu and covid vaccinations had not yet commenced. It was also requested that patients do not submit non urgent requests on a Monday morning as this was adding considerable time to process requests on Mondays. The new social subscriber for Bingham would be re-instating the notice board information in the surgery and would be arranging drop-ins at Bingham.

Councillors Wallace, Baulcombe and Mees reported on the Car Parking Strategy meeting held at Rushcliffe Borough Council. It was noted that RBC would no longer host the meeting as their work on off street parking was considered complete. Nottinghamshire County Councillor S Pearson had confirmed he would look to host further meetings with the focus on off street parking. A request was noted at RBC for consideration of no charging in the Town Centre car parks on a Sunday and for the 30 minute parking bays to be increased to 1 hr.

The availability of parking permits for the Arena car park was noted and the reduction of those spaces available. It was requested that the Town Council could include the link for parking permits on the Town Council website and promote to businesses via RBC Councillors.

The lining issues on Long Acre had been raised at the meeting with the District Highways Manager who had assured that lessons had been learnt. White lining was confirmed as being scheduled for completion imminently.

17. CONSULTATION

Councillors noted the Rushcliffe Local Plan consultation and Councillors agreed to respond individually.

18. CORRESPONDANCE

The consultation for the PROW notice for the diversion of a footpath as part of the Toot Hill re-development was noted and comments relating to this were confirmed via item 8 on the agenda.

19. 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"

The following matters were discussed:

- Confidential notes from the meeting held on 01 September 2026

  RESOLVED: to approve the notes as an accurate record.

- Community Oscar Nominations

  RESOLVED: to grant 5 Community Oscars

- Staffing Matters

RESOLVED: to grant delegated authority to the Clerk to progress the staff matters.

Meeting Closed at 9.29 pm

……CHAIRMAN

Date: ……