

Minutes of a meeting of the **Environment Committee** of the Bingham Town Council held in **The Old Court House**, Church Street, Bingham, on **Tuesday, 14th August, 2012**, at 7.30 p.m.

**PRESENT:**

Councillor A. Harvey - Chairman  
 " A. Ashmore  
 " G. Davidson  
 " J. Eagles  
 " Mrs. T. Kerry  
 " F. Purdue-Horan

Also in attendance: County Councillor M. Suthers

**1.00 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPTANCE:**

There were no Apologies for Absence received.

**2.00 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

There were no Declarations of Interest received

**3.00 MINUTES:**

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 12th June, 2012, having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

**4.00 MATTERS ARISING (FOR INFORMATION ONLY):**

01 Weight Restrictions – F6767/10.00

County Councillor Suthers confirmed further signage in relation to weight restrictions had yet to be erected. However, the necessary legal progress had been completed.

02 Parking Issues – F6768/13.00

Councillors agreed the Town Council would write to residents, on behalf of the County Council, regarding potential proposals for restricted parking on Cherry Street and Church Street.

03 Disabled Parking – F6771

Nottinghamshire County Council is investigating the request for disabled bays in the vicinity of Wallenfels Park bus layby.

**5.00 ACTION POINTS:**

See attached Appendix 'A'.

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**6.00 FLOODING/DRAINAGE ISSUES:**

There was a brief discussion about recent flooding issues experienced in Bingham. County Councillor Suthers confirmed that since the 1st April, 2012, the County Council had a dedicated 'Flood Unit' to address such issues. Unfortunately, legislation did not cover ensuring that riparian owners cleared the ditches. Following a report from the Chairman, the Committee agreed that the various agencies involved in flooding and drainage issues be brought together to try to address the various problems encountered. The agencies concerned included Rushcliffe Borough Council, Nottinghamshire County Council, Metropolitan Housing, Trent Valley Drainage Board and Network Rail.

**7.00 LENGTHSMAN SCHEME:**

The Chairman presented notes from the meeting held on the 27th July, 2012, (attached). County Councillor Suthers confirmed that the County Council's trial scheme was underway and being monitored. Bingham Town Councillors agreed to await results of the pilot scheme before making any formal recommendations.

**8.00 THE MANOR HOUSE - UPDATE:**

The Chairman confirmed a meeting had been arranged to be held on the 5th September, 2012, for all interested parties.

**9.00 TRANSPORTATION CONSULTATION:**

Nottinghamshire Council is running a consultation which closes on the 14th September, 2012; the Clerk to obtain hard copies of the questionnaire. Regarding Service 24, there will be no changes to this service before January, 2013.

**10.00 STATION STREET TOILETS:**

Rushcliffe Borough Council has confirmed that the Station Street toilets are to be closed with immediate effect due to their condition.

**11.00 COGLEY LANE/BUTT ROAD - ROAD MARKINGS:**

The County Council has confirmed that due to the fact of there being no incidents over the last ten years, the considered that road markings were not necessary. Clerk to request that, due to the inherent dangers at the location the County Council be asked to reconsider the Committees request.

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**12.00**      **RESURFACING OF THE BANKS:**

Nottinghamshire County Council had confirmed that resurfacing would be undertaken from the 20th August, 2012, over a period of ten days. Letters had been sent to local residents, confirming access, refuse collection and other arrangements.

**13.00**      **GRANTHAM ROAD SPEED SIGNAGE:**

A temporary interactive speed sign had been installed on the west side but this was obscured by overhanging trees/shrubbery. The Clerk to report to Nottinghamshire County Council. It was agreed that the permanent sign should be Eastwards to the next street lighting column (possibly slc no. 90) Another sign was requested for the north side for east-bound traffic.

**14.00**      **EATON PLACE:**

It was reported that issues with shrubbery, etc. in and around Eaton Place had been addressed by the Borough Council.

**15.00**      **CORRESPONDENCE:**

01      St. Mary's/Grove Roads

A petition regarding the poor state of the roads around St. Mary's/Grove Roads was being prepared with a view to it being presented to the County Council during September, 2012.

02      Market Place

Nottinghamshire County Council had confirmed that the felled tree in the Market Place had been monitored over a two year period as it was diseased and had been deemed necessary to remove it. The stump will be removed, and, if possible, a replacement will be planted but this is dependent on the services running through the pavement area. Clerk to ask if any other trees are affected.

03      Tythby Road

Linden Homes had confirmed that they will be reinstating the grass verge which was damaged at the top of Tythby Road.

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**15.00**      **CORRESPONDENCE** continued.....

04      Cycle Lanes

A member of the public had requested cycle lanes, and this had been forwarded to Nottinghamshire County Council. Councillors felt, however, that the roads were too narrow to implement cycle lanes in the manner referred to.

As there was no further business to transact, the meeting closed at 8.40 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN.

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**ACTION POINTS:**

AGENDA ITEM	DETAILS	ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY
F6264, Item 6.04	Hill Drive/Carnarvon Place – Adapting grass verges for parking.	N.C.C.confirmed unsuccessful with LIS application.
F6523 14 <sup>th</sup> June, 2011.	N.C.C. Grass-cutting	Lengthsman Scheme Pilot was now in place with other Parishes. BTC would await outcome before committing.
F6303(6) 1 <sup>st</sup> June, 2010.	Butt Road/Cogley Lane junction – Lack of road markings.	N.C.C. has added to list for when next white-lining.
F6523 14 <sup>th</sup> June, 2011.	Bus parking and driving (outside town centre).	N.C.C. – On-going
F6523 14 <sup>th</sup> June 2011	East Street	Refer to e-mail dated 14 <sup>th</sup> July from N.C.C. To be included for Detailed Visual Inspection (DVI) to assess inclusion in 2012/2013 Programme of Works.
F6575 August, 2011.	Request for 20 m.p.h. restriction on Newgate Street	N.C.C. unable to address (letter dated 13 <sup>th</sup> September, 2011, refers). Agreed to follow up after Health Centre plans addressed. Suggest speed check undertaken.
F6611 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct 11	Carnarvon Primary School	If adequate funding, consideration will be given to additional set of zig-zag lines
	Weight restrictions	Further signage is in process of being erected.
	Restricted parking on Cherry Street/Church Street	Clerk to write to residents