

Minutes of a meeting of the **Policy & Resources Committee** of the Bingham Town Council held in The Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham, on **Tuesday, 22nd October, 2013**, at **7.00 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Councillor G. Davidson – Chairman
 " A. Ashmore (substitute for Chairman of Planning)
 " J. Eagles
 " A. Harvey
 " Mrs. T. Kerry
 " J. Stockwood

Also in attendance:

" " " Councillor T. Fox
 " " " " F. Purdue-Horan
 " " " 2 members of the public

1.00 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPTANCE:

Apologies for Absence and Acceptance were received from Councillor Mrs. S. Hull.

2.00 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Councillor Eagles declared an interest in Folio , Item 12, Grant Aid – B.R.E.A.D.

3.00 MINUTES:

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 20th August, 2013, having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

01 Matters Arising

Refer to Action Points, Appendix 'A', attached.

4.00 BUDGET REPORT 'A' UP TO 30.09.13:

The Clerk expressed concerns that Recreational & Cemetery maintenance of parks and open spaces may run over budget due to the Linear Walk still requiring flail mowing.

Additional costs have been incurred regarding new retainers on Cogley Lane, flail mowing of the sound-bund and remedial works at Carnarvon Play area in respect of the tall chain-link fence. The rates budget requires increasing for 2014/2015, and this will be slightly over budget this year.

Approximately £220.00 is to be transferred from the Town Fair to the Mayor's Charity in relation to refreshments and raffle at the Fair.

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4.00 BUDGET REPORT 'A' UP TO 30.09.13 continued.....

It was agreed to

RECOMMEND approval of budget monitoring up to the 30th September, 2013.

5.00 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT - REPORT 'B':

Accounts were presented for payment and it was agreed to

RECOMMEND approval.

6.00 ACCOUNTS PAID - REPORT 'C':

Accounts paid since the last meeting were presented and it was agreed to

RECOMMEND approval.

7.00 BANKLINE PAYMENTS - REPORT 'D':

A summary of bankline payments was presented and it was agreed to

RECOMMEND approval.

8.00 DETERMINE MEMBERSHIP OF COMMUNITY BUILDING WORKING GROUP:

It was agreed to refer this item to the next meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee.

9.00 CONSTITUTION & COMMITTEE STRUCTURE WORKING GROUP MEETING, INCLUDING RISK ASSESSMENT - UPDATE:

The Chairman updated members on the meeting held on the 14th October, 2013, (Appendix 'E') and it was

RECOMMENDED that there be no change to the current Committee structure although, however, to continue monitoring the Committee workloads.

Councillor Harvey reported on the Risk Management Strategy.

It was agreed to

RECOMMEND approval of both the Risk Management Strategy and the revised constitution.

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10.00 **GRANT AID:**

01 Bingham Community Arts Committee

It was agreed to

RECOMMEND approval of a donation of £500.00.

11.00 **GROUNDS MAINTENANCE OF LAND LINKING ROWAN CLOSE WITH LONG ACRE EAST - UPDATE:**

The Clerk confirmed that Rushcliffe Borough Council had agreed to undertake maintenance of the area with a view to obtaining ownership.

12.00 **B.R.E.A.D. GRANT APPLICATION - UPDATE:**

The Clerk confirmed a request had been made to Rushcliffe Borough Council to release £200,000.00 from the Community Chest for the Methodist Church Community Building project. However, Rushcliffe Borough Council had requested B.R.E.A.D. to complete a grant application form and apply to them direct. Rushcliffe would then consult with the Town Council before releasing any funding. This information was contrary to that previously given to the Town Clerk and Methodist Church, and it was agreed that a letter should be sent to Rushcliffe Borough Council, expressing disappointment with its approach.

13.00 **BINGHAM 2020:**

This item was discussed at the beginning of the meeting and Standing Orders were suspended to allow a member of the public to speak.

The Chairman invited a resident to report on a public meeting which was held on the 15th October, 2013, (Appendix 'F'). Councillors discussed the matter and the Mayor confirmed that a working group would be held following the next meeting of the Full Council when the matter would be discussed. Councillor Ashmore confirmed that he would be putting a motion to the next Full Council meeting for consideration.

Standing Orders were reinstated.

14.00 **CORRESPONDENCE:-**

01 Appointment of Internal Auditor

It was agreed to

RECOMMEND the appointment of Mr. D. Slight to undertake the internal audit.

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14.00 **CORRESPONDENCE** continued.....

02 "Our Place" - Letter from Dept. for Communities & Local Government

It was agreed to refer this item to the next meeting of the Bingham 2020 Working Group.

02 Rushcliffe Borough Council

A letter regarding the revised 'Councillor Code of Conduct had been received, and it was

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council adopts the change to the Code of Conduct.

15.00 **PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960:**

PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS PROPOSED, SECONDED AND CARRIED:

"In view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, the Press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting."

The following items were discussed:-

- 01 **STAFFING MATTERS**
- 02 **THE OLD COURT HOUSE**
- 03 **CIVIC AWARDS**

As there was no further business to transact, the meeting finished at 8.25 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN

Date:

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ACTION POINTS:

AGENDA ITEM	DETAILS	ACTION TO BE TAKEN
Folio 6578 9.03	Review of Booking Policy	Agenda item for future meeting.
	Annual Inspection of sports facilities.	2013 Butt Field and Town Pavilion inspections completed.
	Tenants' rent review	Agenda item for future meeting.
	Town Pavilion	Review of lease and rent review.
6774	Risk Management Review	On-going.
6775	Constitution and Committee Structure Review.	On-going.
	Membership of C.B.W.G.	Outstanding. Refer to next meeting of Policy & Resources Committee.

BINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL SUMMARY SEPTEMBER 2013

REPORT A cont.

	BAL B.FWD				Receipts			Payments			Net Variance
	Budget	Actual	Variance to budget	Budget	Actual	Variance to budget	Budget	Actual	Variance to budget		
Community	15	1950	1935	1265	1950	-685				1250	
Promotion	5,000.00	5,112.35	112.35	23,000.00	9,289.40	13,710.60				13,822.95	
Recreation	4,187.00	1,691.36	-2,495.64	25,175.00	10,579.45	14,595.55				12,099.91	
Allotment	1,000.00	1,122.50	122.50	1,375.00	624.56	750.44				872.94	
Cemetery	5000	2,290.00	-2,710.00	4,280.00	1,125.49	3,154.51				444.51	
Environment	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,090.00	4,242.20	2,847.80				2,847.80	
Depot	1350	0.00	-1,350.00	70,500.00	24,156.77	46,343.23				44,993.23	
Finance	23,068.00	24,661.47	1,593.47	122,100.00	47,444.90	74,655.10				76,248.57	
OCH	10,400.00	7,525.75	-2,874.25	25,850.00	12,018.27	13,831.73				10,957.48	
TOTALS	50,020.00	44,353.43	-5,666.57	280,635.00	111,431.04	169,203.96				163,537.39	

Precept	230,615.00	230,615.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				0.00
Mayors Charity	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00				0.00

	Receipts			Payments			Net Variance
	Budget	Actual	Variance to budget	Budget	Actual	Variance to budget	
Risk Management	3,500.00	0.00	-2500	0.00	0	0	3,500.00
OCH Capital	3,300.00	0.00	-2000	0.00	0	0	3,300.00
Depot	16,892.82	0.00	-6000	0.00	0	0	16,892.82
Allotment	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0	0	0.00
Environment	500.00	0.00	-500	0.00	0.00	0	500.00
General Reserve	114718.99	0.00	0	642.00	-642	-642	114,076.99
Promotion	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0	0	0.00
Recreation	11,288.48	0.00	-6000	0.00	-645.00	645	11,933.48
Cemetery	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
Community Capital	1,500.00	0.00	-500	0.00	0	0	1,500.00
Property Land	36,333.71	0.00	-23000	0.00	-2,085.00	2085	38,418.71
Capital Total	188,034.00	0.00	-40,500.00	0.00	-2,088.00	2,088.00	190,122.00

GRAND TOTAL	188,034.00	90,520.00	44,353.43	280,635.00	109,343.04	171,291.96	353,659.39
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REPORT A

INCLUDES ACCRUALS FROM 2012/2013

Sep-13

Net Variance column

Positive figs. = underspends
Negative figs. = overspends

Community	Receipts		Payments		Net Variance
	Budget	Actual	Variance to budget	Budget	
CCTV Maintenance	0.00	1,950.00	1,950.00	700.00	700.00
Notice Boards	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	50.00
Town Map	15.00	-15.00	-15.00	15.00	0.00
Trs. To Com. Reserve	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
Community	15.00	1,950.00	1,935.00	1,265.00	1,250.00

Promotions	Receipts		Payments		Net Variance
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	
Town Fair	4,000.00	3,937.35	-62.65	5,853.40	1,083.95
Christmas Fair	1,000.00	1,175.00	175	21	2,654.00
Christmas Lights	0.00	0	0	36	6,500.00
Other Promotions	0.00	0	0	2035	1,964.00
Web Site	0.00	0	0	1294	-535.00
Town News/leaflets	0.00	0	0	706.00	706.00
Town Guide/Promotions	0.00	0.00	0.00	1450.00	1,450.00
Promotions	5,000.00	5,112.35	112.35	9,289.40	13,822.95

Recreation	Receipts		Payments		Net Variance
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	
Play Area/Open Spaces	0.00	0	4,500.00	1280.79	3,219.21
Tree/Shrubbery Maint.	0.00	0	2,500.00	450	2,050.00
Rent	1,000.00	-1000	175.00	6.16	-831.16
Sports Pitch Maintenance	3,067.00	1,533.50	12,000.00	8842.5	1,624.00
Wayleaves	120.00	157.86	0.00	0.00	37.86
P3	0.00	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Trs. To Recreation Reserve	0.00	0	6,000.00	6000.00	6,000.00
Recreation	4,187.00	1,691.36	-2,495.64	10,579.45	12,099.91

BINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL
 BUDGET MONITORING
 30TH SEPTEMBER 2013

Allotments	Receipts		Payments		Net Variance
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	
17 Allotment Rents	1,000.00	1,122.50	122.5	375.00	0.00
18 Water Charges	0.00		0	249.56	250.44
19 Maintenance	0.00		0	500.00	500.00
Allotments	1,000.00	1,122.50	122.50	624.56	750.44
					872.94

Cemetery	Receipts		Payments		Net Variance
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	
20 Rates	0.00		0	337.95	192.05
21 Water/drainage	0.00		0	108.79	141.21
22 Grave Digging	0.00		0	340.00	1,160.00
23 Electricity	0.00		0	105.15	394.85
24 Maintenance	0.00	60.00	60	500.00	500.00
25 Memorials & Fees	5,000.00	2,230.00	-2770	233.6	766.40
Cemetery	5000.00	2290.00	-2710.00	1125.49	3154.51
					444.51

Environment	Receipts		Payments		Net Variance
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	
26 General Maintenance	0.00		0	640.00	640.00
27 Town Floral Displays	0.00		0	4047.2	1,452.80
28 Litter & Dog Bins	0.00		0	195.00	255.00
Trans to Environ. Reserve	0.00		0	500.00	500.00
Environment	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,242.20	2,847.80
					2,847.80

BINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL
 BUDGET MONITORING
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Depot	Receipts			Payments			Variance to budget	Net Variance
	Budget	Actual	Variance to budget	Budget	Actual	Budget		
29 Equipment service etc	0.00	0.00	0	4,000.00	2,564.18	1435.82	1,435.82	
30 Depot Maintenance	0.00	0	0	250.00	360.15	-110.15	-110.15	
31 Mobile phones	0.00	0	0	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	
32 Alarm	0.00	0	0	300.00	51.00	249.00	249.00	
33 Hand tools & equipment	0.00	0	0	100.00	192.20	-92.20	-92.20	
34 Clothing	0.00	0	0	400.00	32.87	367.13	367.13	
35 Wages	0.00	0	0	54,450.00	18404.64	36045.36	36,045.36	
36 Vehicle Tax/Insurance	0.00	0	0	1,500.00	1141.38	358.62	358.62	
37 Fuel	0.00	0	0	3,300.00	1410.35	1889.65	1,889.65	
38 Trans to Depot Res.	0.00	0	0	6,000.00	0	6000.00	6,000.00	
39 Grass Cutting	1,350.00	0.00	-1350	0.00	0.00	0.00	-1,350.00	
Depot	1,350.00	0.00	-1,350.00	70,500.00	24,156.77	46343.23	44,993.23	

Finance	Receipts			Payments			Variance to budget	Net Variance
	Budget	Actual	Variance to budget	Budget	Actual	Budget		
40 Salaries inc Ers cost	0.00	0	0	73,000.00	37,215.81	35784.19	35,784.19	
41 Audit	0.00	0	0	2,000.00	160	1840.00	1,840.00	
42 Office Expenses	0.00	3.00	3	5,500.00	3,497.91	2002.09	2,005.09	
43 Subscriptions/training	0.00	0	0	5,000.00	2,282.08	2717.92	2,717.92	
44 Travel/mileage	0.00	0	0	400.00	0.00	400.00	400.00	
45 Civic Expenses	0.00	0	0	2,500.00	1,280.71	1219.29	1,219.29	
46 Insurance	0.00	0	0	3,500.00	1,908.39	1591.61	1,591.61	
47 Advertising	0.00	0	0	700.00	0.00	700.00	700.00	
48 Grant Aid	0.00	0	0	4,000.00	1,100.00	2900.00	2,900.00	
49 Trans to Prop & Land Res	0.00	0	0	23,000.00	0.00	23000.00	23,000.00	
50 Trans to Risk Mgmt Res	0.00	0	0	2,500.00	0.00	2500.00	2,500.00	
51 Elections	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
85 RBC Transitional Relief	22,568.00	22,568.00	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
52 Investment Inc	500.00	2,090.47	1590.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,590.47	
Finance	23,068.00	24,661.47	1,593.47	122,100.00	47,444.90	74,655.10	76,248.57	

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Precept	76	Receipts		0	Payments		0.00	0.00	0.00	Net Variance
		Budget	Actual		Budget	Actual				
Old Court House										
Caretakers wages	53	0.00		0	5,600.00	2,308.11	3291.89		3,291.89	
Insurance	54	0.00		0	1,600.00	954.19	645.81		645.81	
Water rates	55	0.00		0	750.00	430.45	319.55		319.55	
Non domestic rates	56	0.00		0	5,500.00	3,328.00	2172.00		2,172.00	
Gas/Elec	57	0.00		0	5,000.00	2,504.94	2495.06		2,495.06	
Repairs & Maint	58	0.00		0	5,000.00	2,492.58	2507.42		2,507.42	
Equipment	59	0.00		0	400.00	0.00	400.00		400.00	
Trans to OCH Res	60	0.00		0	2,000.00	0.00	2000.00		2,000.00	
Civil ceremony	61	150.00	295.00	145	0.00	0.00	0.00		145.00	
Tenants rents	62	8,500.00	6,341.00	-2159	0.00	0.00	0.00		-2,159.00	
Room hire	63	1,750.00	889.75	-860.25	0.00	0.00	0.00		-860.25	
Old Court House		10,400.00	7,525.75	-2,874.25	25,850.00	12,018.27	13,831.73		10,957.48	
Check to Precept submitted		50,020.00	44,353.43	-5,666.57	280,635.00	111,431.04	169203.96		163,537.39	
					230,615.00					

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REPORT 'B'

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Accounts presented 22 October 2013

Chq				
Bankline	Wages w28	Wages w28	£	288.35
Bankline	Wages w29	Wages w29	£	288.55
Bankline	Furnitubes International Ltd	Memorial seat	£	608.40
Bankline	Handicentre (Bingham)Ltd	Repaire/maint materials	£	98.61
Bankline	National Pen	Pens	£	95.28
Bankline	Viking Payments	Stationery	£	126.15
	9675 Petty cash	Petty cash purchases	£	66.00
	9676 AST Systems	Access system repair	£	84.00
			£	<u>1,655.34</u>

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Accounts Paid 22 October 2013

Cheque No	Description	Supplier	Total
Bankline	WAGES W21	WAGES W21/M6	3,444.81
Bankline	WAGES W21	WAGES W21/M6	366.11
Bankline	WAGES W21	WAGES W21/M6	1,945.19
DD	Tractor Lease	BNP Paribas	582.00
DD	Bank charges	Nat West	23.69
DD	Trade Waste collection	Wastecycle Ltd	77.11
DD	OCH Gas/Elec Bill	Utility Warehouse	148.68
DD	Cem Elec bill	Utility Warehouse	54.81
DD	Black sacks	RBC	100.80
DD	Dog bin emptying	RBC	195.00
9670	Wychwood P/area repairs	P Selby	480.00
Bankline	Copier charge	Reprotec Connect For	43.79
Bankline	Local Council Insurance	Zurich Municipal	1,908.39
Bankline	Local Council Insurance	Zurich Municipal	954.19
Bankline	LH AVC's	Prudential	100.00
Bankline	Superann M5	NCC Pension Fund	1,119.54
Bankline	Superann M5	NCC Pension Fund	93.60
Bankline	Butt Field Fertiliser treatment	Prograss	1,000.00
Bankline	WAGES W22	WAGES W22	339.65
Bankline	Mayor's Chain repair	Thomas Fattorini	1,479.25
Bankline	Mayor's Chain repair	Thomas Fattorini	660.76
Bankline	Ransomes Mower repairs	B & B Tractors Ltd	495.00
Bankline	Keyholding	Gener8 Finance Ltd	42.00
Bankline	WAGES W23	WAGES W23	292.84
Bankline	WAGES W24	WAGES W24	288.35
Bankline	Grave digging fees	A Buckingham	150.00
Bankline	Safety seat	Wicksteed Leisure Ltd	57.00
Bankline	Copier charge	Reprotec Connect For	10.35
Bankline	Health & Safety Training (NR)	Park Hill Training	234.50
Bankline	Stationery	Viking Direct	148.94
Bankline	Fuel Account	Allstar Business Solutions	126.13
Bankline	WAGES W25	WAGES W25	3,575.99
Bankline	WAGES W25	WAGES W25	376.76
Bankline	WAGES W25	WAGES W25	1,904.97
9671	Petty Cash purchases	Petty Cash	94.44
DD	Non domestic rates	RBC	554.00
DD	BANKLINE CHARGES	Nat West	26.83
DD	Monthly broadband charge	Talk Talk	15.31
DD	Non domestic rates	RBC	57.00
DD	Telephone charges	BT	202.72
DD	Alarm charges	BT	61.20
DD	Alarm charges	BT	61.20
DD	Bank charges	Nat West	18.18
DD	Trade Waste collection	Wastecycle Ltd	56.11
DD	Tractor Lease	BNP-Paribas	278.40
DD	OCH Gas/Elec Bill	Utility Warehouse	216.22
Bankline	PAYE M5	HMRC	829.96
Bankline	PAYE M5	HMRC	829.83

REPORT 'C'
continued.....

Bankline	Strimmer parts	J R Mowers	111.84
BANKLINE	WAGES W26	WAGES W26	339.65
BANKLINE	WAGES W27	WAGES W27	288.35
9672	Table covering	L Holland	80.00
9673	Bingham Town News	The Print Quarter	137.00
Bankline	Keyholding	Gener8 Finance Ltd	67.20
Bankline	External audit fee	Grant Thornton UK	960.00
Bankline	Copier charge	Reprotec Connect For	60.50
Bankline	Stationery	Viking Direct	127.56
Bankline	Van Battery	ATS Euromaster Ltd	89.61
Banklijne	Grant aid	Butt Field Sports Club	496.00
Bankline	Grave digging fees	A Buckingham	380.00
Bankline	PAYE M6	HMRC	829.01
Bankline	PAYE M6	HMRC	805.06
Bankline	LH AVC's	Prudential	100.00
Bankline	Supernn M6	NCC Pension Fund	1,087.24
Bankline	Superann M6	NCC Pension Fund	90.90
Bankline	Swing seat parts	HAGS/SMP	184.80
Bankline	Fuel Account	Allstar Business Solutions	142.68
Bankline	Lift maintenance contract	TES Ltd	154.91
9674	Play area/Linear repairs	P Selby	3,030.00
			£ 35,683.91

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BANKLINE TRANSACTIONS - SUMMARY OF BANKLINE PAYMENTS:

P & R	SUPPLIER'S NAME	£ p	DATE OF PYMT	NATWEST PYMT. REF.
22.10.13	WAGES WK 19	288.35	12.08.13	167954436 LH
22.10.13	WAGES WK 20	288.55	19.08.13	168838567 LH
22.10.13	WAGES WK21	5,756.11	21.08.13	VARIOUS LH
22.10.13	PROGRASS	750.00	21.08.13	169228758 LH
22.10.13	JR MOWERS	11.30	21.08.13	169229128 LH
22.10.13	SLCC	348.00	21.08.13	169229434 LH
22.10.13	B & B TRACTORS	514.14	21.08.13	169230189 LH
22.10.13	ALLSTAR BUSINESS	171.88	21.08.13	169230442 LH
22.10.13	HANDICENTRE	214.99	21.08.13	169230738 LH
22.10.13	HANDICENTRE	50.86	21.08.13	169230738 LH
22.10.13	ALEXANDRA	39.44	21.08.13	169230979 LH
22.10.13	STAPLES	24.23	21.08.13	169231490 LH
22.10.13	GENER8 FINANCE	67.20	21.08.13	169231896 LH
22.10.13	WAGES WK 22	339.65	03.09.13	171016025 LH
22.10.13	PROGRASS	1,000.00	05.09.13	171399050 LH
22.10.13	NCC	1,213.14	05.09.13	171399853 LH
22.10.13	PRUDENTIAL	100.00	05.09.13	171400155 LH
22.10.13	HMRC	1,659.79	05.09.13	171400337 LH
22.10.13	ZURICH	2,862.58	05.09.13	171401357 LH
22.10.13	REPROTECH	43.79	05.09.13	171400530 LH
22.10.13	WAGES WK 23	292.84	09.09.13	171814095 LH
22.10.13	GENER8 FINANCE	42.00	11.09.13	172198014 LH
22.10.13	B & B TRACTORS	495.00	11.09.13	172198272 LH
22.10.13	THOMAS FATTORINI LTD	33.65	11.09.13	172199171 LH
22.10.13	THOMAS FATTORINI LTD	2,106.36	11.09.13	172199171 LH
22.10.13	WAGES WK 24	288.35	18.09.13	172940107 CP
22.10.13	WAGES WK 25	5,857.72	23.09.13	VARIOUS LH
22.10.13	ALLSTAR	126.13	26.09.13	174278585 LH
22.10.13	J R MOWERS	111.84	26.09.13	174279527 LH
22.10.13	VIKING	148.94	26.09.13	174280517 LH
22.10.13	PARK HILL TRAIN	234.50	26.09.13	174281768 LH
22.10.13	REPROTEC	10.35	26.09.13	174282115 LH
22.10.13	WICKSTEED	57.00	26.09.13	174283016 LH
22.10.13	AM BUCKINGHAM	150.00	26.09.13	174284254 LH
22.10.13	WAGES WK 26	339.65	30.09.13	174829925 LH
22.10.13	WAGES WK 27	288.36	07.10.13	175932660 LH
22.10.13	HAGS SMP	184.80	10.10.13	176528490 LH
22.10.13	NCC PENSION FUND	1,178.14	10.10.13	176528830 LH
22.10.13	PRUDENTIAL	100.00	10.10.13	176529100 LH
22.10.13	HMRC	1,634.07	10.10.13	176529402 LH
22.10.13	A BUCKINGHAM	380.00	10.10.13	176529788 LH
22.10.13	BUTT FIELD SPORTS CLUB	496.00	10.10.13	176530435 LH
22.10.13	ATS	89.61	10.10.13	176531537 LH

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at **7.00 p.m.** continued.....

BANKLINE TRANSACTIONS - SUMMARY OF BANKLINE PAYMENTS continued...

22.10.13	VIKING PAYMENTS	127.56	10.10.13	176531960	LH
22.10.13	REPROTEC	60.50	10.10.13	176532340	LH
22.10.13	GRANT THORNTON	960.00	10.10.13	176533190	LH
22.10.13	GENER8	67.20	10.10.13	176533423	LH
22.10.13	WAGES WK 28	288.35	14.10.13	176893453	LH
		31,892.92			

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DATE AND TIME OF MEETING:	14 th October 2013 2pm
NATURE OF MEETING:	CONSTITUTION & CTTEE. REVIEW WORKING GROUP
IN ATTENDANCE:	Councillors J. Stockwood; M. Stockwood; A. R. Harvey; G. Davidson;
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:	None

		TO BE ACTIONED BY
1.	Apologies – Cllrs. T. Kerry, J. Eagles, S. Hull & F. Purdue-Horan	
2.	Previous meeting notes were reviewed as a true record.	
3.	Agreed the current committee structure was acceptable and to continue monitoring Committee workloads.	
4.	Cllrs. Davidson & Harvey had progressed the Risk Management Policy and this would be put to Policy & Resources Committee.	
5.	Agreed following amendments: Guidance notes to be renamed Appendix. To sections covering “Introductions” to be consolidated & one deleted. Add “receipt of petitions for referral to relevant committee without any debate at this stage” to Order of Business Section (immediately after Mayor’s Announcements. Include “Openess” document at end of Code of Conduct. Pge 42 4.1 amend to read “make observations” Pge 48 6.1 include “bankline” Pges 57 – 59 delete sections 3 – 5 Change Policies to list only of policies in place.	
6.	Date of next meeting : tbc	

STATEMENT TO POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE,, 22nd OCT 2013 by Dr PETER ALLEN

On Tuesday 15th October a public meeting was held at Bingham Infants School to discuss a Neighbourhood Plan for Bingham. The meeting was almost unanimous in its support for the idea that Bingham should have a Neighbourhood Plan. The reason most cited from the floor was that it would give Bingham something that it had always wanted and never had; that is the people of Bingham would have the power through the law to influence planning in Bingham. Once the Neighbourhood Plan had gone through a public referendum and been accepted by the community it would become part of planning law and would have to be consulted by developers and planners in Rushcliffe. Anything else can be and often is ignored.

There are two elements to the plan. One is the Community-led Plan. This is an aspirational and visionary statement about how people would like Bingham to look in the future and could cover as wide a range of issues as the community wanted. Currently the target date in the planning cycle is 2028. This plan has no authority in planning law. It is led from the community not the Town Council.

The Neighbourhood Plan itself would contain all those issues that relate to land use and require planning permission. These would be identified in the Community-led Plan. Thus these two plans should be developed together. The Neighbourhood Plan is led by the Town Council.

It is clear that the minister, Eric Pickles, intends that the Neighbourhood Plan should be the primary route by which communities can influence planning decisions in the future.

To this end he has added an economic incentive in the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). Rushcliffe does not yet have arrangements for CILs, but is expected to have them in place in about two years. In this arrangement a community with a Neighbourhood Plan will have the right to control 25% of the income raised for any development in their area. If they do not have a Neighbourhood Plan they will have the right to control only 15% of the income raised.

The question now is where does Bingham 2020 fit into this scheme?

Bingham 2020 derived from the Market Towns Initiative, which itself came out of the Rural Areas Act of 2000. The MTI was sponsored by the Countryside Agency and DEFRA. The CA is now defunct. The purpose of the MTI was to give market towns an opportunity to develop a vision for their future, identify objectives within that vision, choose initiatives that would allow them to attain those objectives and arrange partnerships to do it, specifically to raise the money necessary. Bingham was late in taking up this opportunity and it is not clear how far along this route Bingham went. I was consulted in the original questionnaire, but I never saw the final plan and I am unaware of any initiative that flowed from it.

In some areas it was successful and by 2007-08 there were some results from it. However, it is now an old idea and has been superseded by the Localism Act of 2011.

If Bingham 2020 has a role today it is as a substitute for the Community-led Plan, but for it to be accepted as such it would have to pass the same tests as the Community-led Plan. These relate to the structure of the steering group, the breadth of consultation within the community, the input of the community in leading it and it would have to contribute to the development of a Neighbourhood Plan.

Nearly a decade has passed since the original Bingham 2020 questionnaire was distributed. It would be far better to use our energy now to develop a meaningful Neighbourhood Plan that would have relevance to our future and have legal authority than to waste it trying to resuscitate the old, redundant Bingham 2020 plan which has no legal authority.