

Minutes of a meeting of the **Recreational & Cemetery Committee of Bingham Town Council** held in **The Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham**, on **Tuesday, 29th November, 2011**, at **7.00 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Councillor J. Stockwood - Chairman
 " P. Abbey.
 " M. Barham
 " F. Kerry
 " F. Purdue-Horan
 " Mrs. M. Stockwood

1.00 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPTANCE:

Apologies for Absence and Acceptance were received from Councillor Mrs. A. Bryan.

2.00 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

3.00 MINUTES:

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 4th October, 2011, 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:

There were no Matters Arising for information to report.

5.00 ACTION POINTS:

See attached Appendix 1.

6.00 MATTERS RELATING TO PLAYINGFIELDS, PLAY AREAS AND OPEN SPACES, INCLUDING BUTT FIELD AND WYNHILL:

01 Butt Field Sports Ground – Update on Butt Field Working Group Meetings held on the 14th and 25th November, 2011

Councillor J. Stockwood updated members on the working group meetings and it was agreed that the notes presented were a true record.

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6.00 MATTERS RELATING TO PLAYINGFIELDS, PLAY AREAS AND OPEN SPACES, INCLUDING BUTT FIELD AND WYNHILL continued.....

02 Wychwood Road Play Area

(a) Planting and Goal Posts

After a lengthy discussion it was

RECOMMENDED to apply to Rushcliffe Borough Council for grant aid of £20,000.00 in relation to goal posts/combo unit to include a basketball net (one for Wychwood Road Play Area and one for Carnarvon Play Area). If the grant aid application is successful, then plant two trees in between the two current trees which are being used as goal posts on Wychwood Road Play Area. This would provide a long-term solution to the problem.

03 Carnarvon Play Area

(a) Goal Posts

See previous reference under Wychwood Road Play Area.

04 Wallenfels Open Space

(a) Draft Report on Impact Assessment

It was

RECOMMENDED that this is ongoing due to current investigations by Rushcliffe Borough Council which have yet to be determined. It was agreed that police information should be taken direct from the crime-mapping area of the police website. A RoSPA report on Wallenfels also to be included.

(b) Tree Planting

The Chairman and Clerk to investigate further and report back to the Committee before addressing. Areas to be investigated include the rear of the bus shelter and boundaries to Goldcrest and Mallard Closes.

7.00 MATTERS RELATING TO HILL DRIVE ALLOTMENTS:

01 Allotments' Association – Update re. Responses

The Clerk confirmed receipt of fourteen replies regarding interest in setting up an Allotments' Association (six in favour, eight against). It was agreed not to progress this matter.

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7.00 MATTERS RELATING TO HILL DRIVE ALLOTMENTS continued.....

02 Allotment Fees

It was

RECOMMENDED that with effect from the 1st April, 2012, the charges are as follows:-

Up to 150 square metres	£25.00
Up to 200 square metres	£37.50
Up to 250 square metres	£50.00

8.00 MATTERS RELATING TO CEMETERY:

01 Offer of a Commonwealth War Grave Sign for Cemetery Railings

It was agreed to

RECOMMEND acceptance of a Commonwealth war grave sign.

02 Request for a Seat at the Cemetery

It was agreed that a seat can be installed at the cemetery in relation to Grave Space No. 2162.

03 It was agreed not to increase cemetery charges. However, these to be reviewed at next year's budget-setting stage.

9.00 RECREATIONAL & CEMETERY BUDGETS 2012/2013:

01 Allotments, Cemetery and Recreation, including Butt Field Sports Ground

It was agreed to

RECOMMEND budgets as per Appendix 2 attached. On discussing the budgets, the following points were taken into consideration:-

- not to include a budget to replace N.C.C. Parish Paths Partnership budget.
- to maintain use of bark chippings as the safer surface for the play areas.
- to set up a Recreation Reserve for future replacement of play equipment.

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9.00 RECREATIONAL & CEMETERY BUDGETS 2012/2013 continued.....

01 Allotments, Cemetery and Recreation, including Butt Field Sports Ground continued.....

- The budget for sports pitch maintenance was based on the items in the Butt Field Working Group meeting held on the 25th November, 2011, notes (mainly £2,085.00 – on-going drainage problem and £9,683 – pitch maintenance works). No other requests for work on Butt Field pitch maintenance to be considered for 2012/2013.

It was also agreed to refer the following Butt Field Working Group matters to Policy & Resources Committee:-

- Future maintenance of the access road/car park
- Provision of fertiliser at a cost of £1,440.00
- Request for a water supply at a cost of £2,500.00

10.00 CORRESPONDENCE:

01 Resident and Solicitor

The Clerk confirmed receipt of a solicitor's letter, along with a letter from the resident, in relation to the cemetery boundary and a property on Kestrel Drive. The Clerk was seeking further advice and guidance from Bingham Town Council's solicitors and insurers.

As there was no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 9.07 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN.

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ACTION POINTS

COMMITTEE **Recreational & Cemetery**
DATE OF MEETING **29th November, 2011**

FOLIO REF.	DETAILS	ACTION TO BE TAKEN
Matters arising	PPP3 – Consider cost of maintaining paths as part of budget-setting	Councillors/Clerk - Budget-setting stage
	Toothill School – Proposed Footpath Diversion Consultation.	Once consultation commences, meet with walking groups prior to responding.
	Leisure Centre	To consider any reports from R.B.C. in relation to future of Leisure Centres.
	Planned maintenance of play areas	To develop planned maintenance programme.
6517 item 7.01 6 th June, 2011.	Cemetery seats to be rubbed down	Outstanding
6366 item 2.07 28 th Sept. 10	Parish Paths Report	Work to be undertaken between 12 th -23 rd Dec.11
Folio 6559	Wallenfels Play Area – Impact Assessment	On-going - Other agencies preparing reports in relation to complaints they receive direct.
Folio 6560	B.F.S.C. - Purchase of kitchen equipment	On-going - Racking ordered.
Folio 6560	B.F.S.C. - New water supply	On-going
Folio 6560	Butt Field Working Group	Cllrs. M.S. and F.P.H. to address plaque for interior.
Folio 6561	B.F.S.C. Fireworks Display and Wallenfels visitors	Support with condition all Health & Safety policies in place; first one earmarked for 2012.
Folio 6561	Bio-diversity	Ongoing
Folio 6562	Allotments' Association	To date only fourteen responses received (6 for, 8 against).
Folio 6562	Wychwood Road Play Area	Agreed not to remove trees but to plant thorny bushes. On-going.
Folio 6563	Wynhill Teen Play Area – Vandalism	On-going

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2012/013 BUDGETS

ALLOTMENTS	2011/2012	2012/2013
Expenditure		
Rent 1	400	375
Water Charges	550	500
Maintenance	1500	500
	2450	1375
LESS INCOME		
Rent	-600	-1000
	1850	375

CEMETERY/CHURCH YARD	2011/2012	2012/2013
Expenditure		
Rates	500	530
Water Charges	350	250
Grave-digging	2000	1500
Electricity	350	500
Maintenance	2000	500
Memorials	550	1000
	5750	4280
LESS INCOME		
Fees & Memorials	-5000	-5000
	750	-720

RECREATION	2011/2012	2012/2013
Expenditure		
Play Area	5000	5000
Maintenance		
Fees	250	0
Rent	250	175
Sports Pitch	5000	12000
Maintenance		
Transfer to	0	3000
Recreation Reserve		
	10500	20175
LESS INCOME		
Play Area	0	
maintenance		
P3	0	
Rents	-1000	-1000
Pitch works	-3067	-3067
contribution		
Wayleaves	-120	-120
	6313	15988

