

Minutes of a Meeting of Bingham Town Council
held on Tuesday 24 September 2024 at 7.00pm
in the Council Chamber at the Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham

PRESENT:

Councillors: G Williams, W Stapleton, V Leach, R Bird, N Mees, M Stockwood, A Shelton, P Walters, N Jejna, M Baulcombe and S Perkins.

Officer/s: J Riddle (Clerk)

Public: 3 including Borough Councillor N Regan

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillors T Wallace, E Georgiou and F Purdue-Horan. Councillor P Walters confirmed his apologies for the next Full Council meeting.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

3. MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor confirmed that he had attended the following events:

- Twinning Band performance on Bingham Market Place
- Twinning Civic Reception where a Rafters Hook was gifted by the Burgermeister
- Twinning Beer Festival including conducting the band
- Visit to Police Headquarters to see the newly installed CCTV in operation
- Annual Market Place Beer Festival
- Town Council 50th anniversary Tea Party

4. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Two members of the public asked for the Town Council's support in raising concerns regarding membership at Bingham Arena. The unfairness of a premium membership fee was raised as the residents felt that the Arena has too many members for the number of classes available. Concerns were also raised regarding usage of the rooms for non-fitness classes during the school holidays, resulting in a further loss of fitness classes for members. The Mayor confirm that Borough Councillors had already raised queries with officers at the Borough Council and a further meeting was to be scheduled. The Mayor confirmed that the residents would be contacted and the Town Council would seek to ask for a report for the next meeting as Councillors had also received other complaints and queries.

5. COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Apologies were noted from County Councillor N Clarke.

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Borough Councillor N Regan confirmed the parking changes scheduled to change on 01 October in the Car Parks and Market Place bays. The widening of the bays on the North side of the market place was also confirmed and although this resulted in a loss of 1 bay, this would give better access for vehicles. The Nottinghamshire County Council bays were noted as still under consultation for reduction to 30 mins.

Borough Councillor G Williams reminded Councillors of the nominations being open for the Celebrating Rushcliffe Awards until 06 October 2024.

6. MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 30 July 2024 (Folios 10209 to 10211), having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read, approved and were signed by the Mayor as an accurate record.

7. COMMITTEE MINUTES

(a) Community, Recreation & Amenities. 13 August 2024

RESOLVED: to approve the recommendations.

(b) Finance, Policy & Resources, 10 September 2024

RESOLVED: to approve the recommendations.

(c) Planning Committee, 13 August 2024

The decisions of the meeting were noted.

(d) Planning Committee, 10 September 2024.

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8. CONCLUSION OF AUDIT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2024

The conclusion of Audit for the year ending 31 March 2024 was noted. Staff and Councillors were thanked for the ongoing work.

9. INSURANCE

The Council noted the renewal of the insurance and that the five year contract was ending so a full review of insurance available would be considered prior to the next renewal.

10. PAYMENTS OVER £5000

No payments over £5000 were presented.

11. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor R Bird confirmed that the next Police Priority Setting meeting was to be held on 17 October 2024. Councillors were also reminded that the Town and Parish Forum was taking place on 11 October 2024 and attendance should be confirmed with the Clerk. It was also noted that the Flintham Show was taking place on 26 September at Hawksworth.

Councillor Leach confirmed no meeting of Positive Futures has taken place.

Councillor N Mees reminded Councillors of the NALC AGM taking place on 12 October 2024.

Councillor A Shelton confirmed that there was no update from the Friends of Bingham Linear Park and that he would keep them updated on any progress with the Linear Park steps.

Councillor G Williams confirmed that the work of the Twinning Association had been focussed on delivering the Beer Festival. It was also confirmed that the claim for costs for the lighting column at Butt Field had been settled and the Club were progressing its replacement. Bingham Sports Club were also continuing their investigations into replacement of the old pavilion. It was also noted that the project involving additional solar panels was still ongoing.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was received.

15. 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:

“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 Council meeting held on 30 July 2024

RESOLVED: to approve the notes.

The Meeting closed at 7.46pm.

.....CHAIRMAN

Date.....