

Minutes of a meeting of the Community, Recreation and Amenities Committee
of Bingham Town Council held in the Council Chamber at The Old Court House, Church Street,
Bingham on Tuesday 03 December 2024 at 7.00pm

PRESENT:

Councillors: G Williams, V Leach, S Perkins, N Jejna, R Bird, W Stapleton and A Shelton.

Officers: J Riddle (Clerk)

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

All Councillors were present.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

3. MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of the Community and Environment Committee held on 08 October 2024, Folios 10230 to 10233, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

4. UPDATE ON OUTSTANDING DECISIONS

The committee noted the update.

5. BUDGET TO ACTUAL TO 31 OCTOBER 2024

The updated budgets were noted, including the previously agreed overspend on the Play Area and Open Spaces Maintenance budget.

6. STRATEGIC PRIORITIES AND PROJECTS FOR 2025 TO 2028

The committee priorities and projects were considered and it was agreed to approve the projects in the draft.

RECOMMEND: approval of the committee priorities and projects.

7. 2025/2026 COMMITTEE BUDGET

The Clerk confirmed that part of the bin emptying contract for 2025/26 would be completed in house to reduce to increase costs quoted.

RECOMMEND: the draft budget be approved for consideration by the Finance, Policy and Resources Committee.

8. THREE YEAR RESERVES PLAN

The updated plan was noted.

9. INCREASED WEEDS AT BINGHAM BOWLING CLUB

The Committee were unable to make an informed decision as the issues experienced were not confirmed and evidenced.

RESOLVED: to make no changes to the cutting regime in Warners Paddock in 2025 and confirm to the Bowling Club that if issues are experienced the Town Council will seek advice and a site visit arranged to identify the issues and confirm its likely source.

10. CHURCH WALL INVESTIGATIONS

The committee were updated on the recent site meeting. The plans for the coping stones and wall repairs around the Plan tree was noted and the Committee would be kept up to date on progress. The leaning wall required further consideration, and initial options were being progressed by the NCC officer in attendance.

11. PLAY AREA REPAIRS

The committee noted the outstanding repairs, and the continuation of the budget overspend previously agreed.

12. BIODIVERSITY POLICY

RECOMMEND: that the draft Biodiversity Policy be approved, subject to the alteration noted.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

The committee noted that advice had been sought regarding the recent unauthorised access at the Linear Park by the South Notts Hunt. Further actions would be considered at a future meeting.

The committee also noted that RBC were producing an active travel map to support the work of the Car Park Strategy. The committee asked for sight of the final map prior to production as it contained the Town Council logo.

14. CONFIDENTIAL

The following matters were discussed:

- To approve the confidential notes from the meeting held on 08 October 2024

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The notes were approved.

- Allotment Tenancy

RESOLVED: to approve termination of the tenancy agreement.

The meeting closed at 8.27pm.

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CHAIRMAN

Date:
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RECOMMENDATIONS:

- That the draft budget be approved for consideration by the Finance, Policy and Resources Committee.
- The draft Biodiversity Policy be approved, subject to the alteration noted.

RESOLUTIONS:

- No changes to the cutting regime for Warners Paddock in 2025 and confirm to the Bowling Club that if issues are experienced the Town Council will seek advice and a site visit arranged to identify the issues and confirm its likely source.
- Termination of the allotment tenancy agreement.