Minutes of a meeting of the Finance, Policy & Resources Committee of Bingham Town Council held on Tuesday 10 September 2024 at 7.15pm held in the Councill Chamber of The Old Court House, Church Street, Bingham

PRESENT:

Councillors: R Bird, E Georgiou, N Jejna, M Stockwood, F Purdue-Horan and N Mees.

Officer: J Riddle (Town Clerk)

Members of the Public: 1 Including Councillor A Shelton

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received and accepted from Councillor T Wallace.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor F Purdue-Horan declared an interest in item 12 as County Councillor.

3. **MINUTES**

The minutes of 16 July 2024, Folio 10204 to 10206 were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

4. OUTSTANDING DECISIONS AND AGREE FURTHER ACTIONS

The committee noted the updated decisions and actions report.

5. ACCOUNTS PAID REPORT TO 31 AUGUST 2024

RESOLVED: that the accounts paid report of £52,860.70 be approved.

6. BANK RECONCILIATIONS

RESOLVED: to approve of the reconciliation reports to 31 July 2024 and 31 August 2024.

7. BUDGET TO ACTUALS TO 31 AUGUST 2024

The committee continued to note that with outsourcing of play area inspections and contractor support, the cemetery and play area/open space maintenance budgets would exceed the budgets.

RESOLVED: to approve the budget to actuals report to 31 August 2024.

8. **BINGHAM COMMUNITY EVENTS**

This item was deferred to the next meeting.

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9. ADDITIONAL CCTV LOCATIONS

The committee considered the report regarding additional electrical installations at locations to be agreed with the Police. The committee were supportive but confirmed that any contingency required above the costs should be met by Rushcliffe.

RECOMMEND: that £1100 be granted to Rushcliffe Borough Council in support of additional electrical installations for the re-deployable CCTV system from the Reserves budget.

10. CHAPEL LANE AND WYNHILL

The committee considered the quotation for a developed concept for Wynhill to progress a site share at the Wynhill site between Bingham Rugby Club, Bingham Scouts and Guides

RECOMMEND: acceptance of the quote for £4500 from the Community Facilities Budget in Reserves, with delegated authority to the Clerk to confirm progression from phase 1 to 2 of the developed concept stage.

11. ALLOTMENT WAITING LIST POLICY

RESOLVED: to approve the allotment waiting list policy.

12. BUS STOP AND CLEARWAY ON LONG ACRE

RESOLVED: no objection to the plans.

13. EXTERNAL STEEL FIRE ESCAPE

RESOLVED: to accept quote 2 for £460 plus vat for a visual inspection, written survey and certificate of inspection for the steel fire escape.

14. OLD COURT HOUSE REPAIRS

The committee were updated on the preventative maintenance plans for the Old Court House. Quotations for drone surveys of the roof were considered and it was noted that further information had been requested on the brickwork quotations received.

RESOLVED: to give delegated authority to the Clerk to progress Quote 1,3 or 4 at costs ranging from £600 to £660 for a survey on receipt of example reports.

15. TITHBY ROAD STEPS LEADING TO BINGHAM LINEAR PARK

The committee noted that as a result of contractor meetings a structural engineer would be required to design a solution that confirmed loading calculations. A topographical study would be

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costed for providing structural engineers a site plan to quote from. The committee confirmed that a solution in keeping with the site, rather than a steel staircase should be progressed.

It was confirmed that monitoring of the wall was being completed. The committee also noted that with the unknown costs associated with the project and alongside structural advice being needed for the St Mary's Wall project, further reserves expenditure on new projects should not be considered.

16. SOLAR PANELS ON BUTT FIELD PAVILION

The committee were updated that Bingham Town Sports Club wished to progress the installation of additional solar panels to enable replacement of the heating system, allowing the removal of gas from the site. The committee confirmed that it would be subject to same conditions and addition to the lease as the previous panels. It was also requested that structural safety of the roof and fire safety for storage of batteries was confirmed by the Club.

RESOLVED: to permit Bingham Town Sports Club to progress the installation of additional solar panels on Butt Field Pavilion, subject to the conditions outlined.

17. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was received.	
The meeting closed at: 8.32pm	CHAIRMAN
	DATE

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- £1100 be granted to Rushcliffe Borough Council in support of additional electrical installations for the re-deployable CCTV system from the Reserves budget.
- Acceptance of the quote for £4500 from the Community Facilities Budget in Reserves, with delegated authority to the Clerk to confirm progression from phase 1 to 2 of the developed concept stage.

RESOLUTIONS:

- The accounts paid report of £52,860.70 be approved.
- Approval of the reconciliation reports to 31 July 2024 and 31 August 2024.
- Approval the budget to actuals report to 31 August 2024.
- Approval the allotment waiting list policy.
- No objection to the plans for a Bus Stop Clearway on Long Acre
- Acceptance of quote 2 for £460 plus vat for a visual inspection, written survey and certificate of inspection for the steel fire escape.
- Delegated authority to the Clerk to progress Quote 1,3 or 4 at costs ranging from £600 to £660 for a drone roof survey on receipt of example reports.
- Permit Bingham Town Sports Club to progress the installation of additional solar panels on Butt Field Pavilion, subject to the conditions outlined.