

BINGLEY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF BINGLEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 12TH JULY AT 5:30PM AT COTTINGLEY CORNERSTONE CENTRE, LITTELANDS, BINGLEY BD16 1AL

Start: 5:30pm

Finish: 6:30pm

Councillors Present: Councillors Beckwith, Clough, Dawson, Dearden, Fenton, Goode, Hardman, O'Neill, Quarrie, Simpson, Truelove, Varley, J Wheatley and M Wheatley.

In attendance: Ruth Batterley, Town Clerk
Chris Slaven, City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council
Mike Powell, City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council

Members of the public: Two

1718/40 Chair's Remarks

The Chair noted that although this is a meeting held in public, it is not a public meeting. Members of the public are able to raise concerns at 1718/43

1718/41 Disclosures of interest

1. To receive declarations of interest from councillors on items on the agenda.
2. To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interest
3. To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate.

Councillor Dawson noted that she works for Bradford Council in their Adult Skills department. No written requests for dispensation had been received.

1718/42 Apologies for Absence

To approve the reasons for Members' absence (if applicable).

Resolved to approve the apologies of Councillor Chapman (work) and Councillor Winnard (personal). Proposed Councillor Hardman, seconded Councillor Simpson and agreed. All were in favour.

1718/43 Resolution to Adjourn the Meeting

RESOLUTION to adjourn the meeting in order to receive reports from invited guests and in order that the public be permitted to make representations, answer questions and give evidence in respect of any items of business included on the agenda or ask questions on any other matter of relevance to the parish.

Public Participation

- Questions / observations from members of the public
- Reports from invited guests:

Resolved to adjourn the meeting. Proposed Councillor Simpson, seconded Councillor Dearden and agreed. All were in favour.

A resident who is coordinator of the local Neighbourhood Watch Scheme advised that there has been no notification of the Riverside Festival. Questions were raised about the measures in place should the event go ahead, police, stewards for parking etc. The resident advised that locals need reassurance that there is going to be no anti-social behavior. There is an issue in the Poplar House area of drug selling; the question

was raised as to whether the proposed festival would encourage more drug dealing in the area.

It was noted that there is an established Bingley Music Live Forum where residents can raise their concerns. Local residents would like to be part of the planning for future events.

Mr. Powell advised that the event is not going ahead in Bingley because of safety issues. The organisers are looking at alternative venues for an event later in the year. Consultation will be carried out as part of any new event.

Councillor Beckwith arrived at 17:45pm.

Questions were asked about the sequence of events. An initial application was agreed by the Parks and Landscape Department in May 2017, subject to the necessary PSGL paperwork being successfully completed. The event had been cancelled owing to the incompleteness of the PSGL paperwork.

Town Councillor raised their concerns. Questions were asked about process, lack of liaison, measures in place to deal with a potential large number of visitors to Bingley as tickets are still being sold, amongst other matters. Mr. Powell advised he would be talking to the police about the way they intend to deal with visitors coming to Bingley on 5th August for the now cancelled event. Further questions were asked about Bradford Council receiving payment for the event taking place in one of its parks and one of the organisers being a Bradford Council ward councillor for Bingley.

1718/44 Minutes of the Meeting held on 27th June 2017

Resolved that the minutes be considered at the next full council meeting. Proposed Councillor Dawson, seconded Councillor Quarrie and agreed. All were in favour.

1718/45 Riverside Festival

- a) **To receive information from the organisers of the Riverside Festival**
- b) **To receive representatives from Bradford Council to update on the Riverside Festival**
- c) **To receive the latest information on the Riverside Festival** (*See attached*)
- d) **To decide next steps that the Town Council may wish to undertake about the festival**

No representative from The Riverside Festival attended the meeting to update the Town Council.

The representatives from Bradford Council updated the meeting in the public participation session.

There was discussion about next steps that the Town Council wished to undertake:

Resolved that the clerk write to Kersten England, Bradford Council's Chief Executive copying Chris Slaven, Mike Powell and the leader of the council into the e-mail requesting that Bradford Council publicise its decision not to go ahead with the festival through all forms of media, including its internal intranet system. The request will also be made that future events are subject to consultation with residents and the Town Council as a matter of course. It was also resolved that Bingley Town Council should communicate that the festival is no longer taking place on August 5th in Myrtle Park.

Proposed Councillor Dawson, seconded Councillor Dearden and agreed. All were in favour.

The residents and Bradford Council officers were thanked for coming to the meeting.

1718/46 To consider any promotional items that the Town Council wishes to publicise from this meeting

1718/47 Date and location of next meeting

To note the date of the next meeting as being Tuesday 25th July 2017 at Bingley Scout Hut, Sycamore

Avenue, Bingley BD16 at 6:30pm