

# BINGLEY TOWN COUNCIL



The Hub, Myrtle Place, Bingley, BD16 2LF

Minutes of the meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2024 at 6.30pm at the Hub, Myrtle Place, Bingley, BD16 2LF

**Councillors present:** Carney (Chair), Fenton, Gentleman, Gibbons, Goode, Heseltine, Miah, Truelove  
**Member Councillors absent:** None  
**In attendance:** Eve Haskins (Town Clerk)  
**Members of the public:** None

**Start time: 6.30pm**  
**End time: 7.00pm**

**2425/20 Apologies for absence**

No apologies received.

**2425/21 Disclosures of interest**

None received.

No written requests for dispensation had been received.

**2425/22 Minutes**

**Resolved** to confirm the minutes of the F&GP Committee meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2024 as a correct record, subject to the following amendment in agenda item 2425/12 regarding the flowerbed on Ferncliffe Road: this should state that the Town Council will wait to see whether Bradford Council cut the grass in this area before any further gardening work takes place.

**2425/23 Confidential items to be discussed under item 2425/30**

No further items to be discussed in confidence after item 2425/30, following exclusion of the press and public, due to their sensitive nature.

**2425/24 Public Participation**

None.

**2425/25 Bank reconciliation, statement, balances, budget monitor**

- a) **Resolved** to approve the bank reconciliations for June 2024.
- b) **Resolved** to approve the bank statements for June 2024.
- c) **Noted** the balances to date as follows: Unity Bank: £29,798.12, Public Sector Deposit Fund: £313,334.  
**Resolved** to recommend to Full Council to transfer £50,000 from the Public Sector Deposit Fund to Unity Bank.
- d) **Noted** the year end budget monitor for 2024-25.

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## 2425/26 Green and Clean

**Noted** the update on Green and Clean from Councillor Goode as follows:

- Litter picks: last one held at Crossflatts was poorly attended, no further dates yet planned.
- Forum, 10<sup>th</sup> August 2024, 10am-12pm: finalized format is that the compost presentation will take an hour followed by open/networking for local groups; agreed that the Town Clerk to arrange for Yorkshire Swim Works to be invited also to provide a short presentation.
- Land at Woodvale Crescent: agreed that Councillor Goode to liaise with the allotments' gardener to ask for a quote to clear this land, prior to being maintained in the future by the local community.
- Watering contract: still awaiting quotes.

## 2425/27 CIL funding

**Resolved** to agree the following:

- To confirm that the following CIL reserves have been allocated to the bandstand project: 2018-2019: £2,948; 2019-2020: £2,731; 2020-2021: £4,219; 2021-2022: £1,833; 2022-2023: £953.

## 2425/28 Risk Management

No new risks to the Council identified.

## 2425/29 Date of next meeting

Noted the date for the next Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2024 at 6.30pm at the Hub, Myrtle Place, Bingley.

## 2425/30 Exclusion of the press and public

**Resolved** to exclude the press and public from agenda items 2425/31 and 2425/32 under the provision of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act 1960 s1 (2)), due to their confidential nature.

## 2425/31 The Hub

**Resolved** to receive the following updates on the issues associated with the Hub and to agree the following actions:

- a) Electrical work: this took place from 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2024, all certificates received.
- b) Dome: still awaiting a date for this work; agreed that Councillor Fenton and the Deputy Clerk to contact the contractor again to confirm a date.
- c) Joinery work: awaiting a quote.
- d) Alarm monitoring contract: agreed the quote from Yorkshire Security Systems.
- e) Water dispenser at side of Changing Places toilet: agreed no action required, cleaners are running the water through every day.

## 2425/32 Allotments

**Resolved** to agree the following update regarding the allotments:

- Forum: taking place on 25<sup>th</sup> July at 6.00pm.
- Break-in at Beck Lane allotments on 7<sup>th</sup> July: police have been informed, who reported they would send a crime prevention officer to visit – agreed that the Town Clerk to invite the police to attend the allotments forum on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

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- Vacancies/plot splitting: only vacant plot is 14C.
- Rent payments: all up to date.
- Asbestos: remedial work has now taken place.
- Request for removal of tree at plot 11A, Beck Lane: agreed to leave the tree as it is.
- Plot 5, Beck Lane: agreed that there are mitigating circumstances regarding the shed on plot 5 – Town Clerk to arrange for a new quote to be obtained for solely the removal of this shed, cost to be covered by the Town Council (if this is under £500 then to be accepted immediately; if more, quote to be considered at a future meeting).
- Plot 4, Beck Lane: agreed that there are mitigating circumstances regarding this plot, Councillors Fenton and Heseltine to undertake the work of placing the weed suppressing membrane on this plot, with the materials to be provided by the plot-holder.

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