



**Cabinet**

**Tuesday, 14 June 2022**

**Bingham Improvement Board Report**

## **Report of the Chief Executive**

**Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Strategic and Borough Wide Leadership,  
Councillor S J Robinson**

### **1. Purpose of report**

- 1.1. At the Council meeting of 30 September 2021, Council agreed to support the establishment of a Bingham Improvement Board. This was subsequently supported by Bingham Town Council and the terms of reference were presented to the Council meeting of 2 December 2021.
- 1.2. The Bingham Improvement Board has undertaken its review and its report is therefore presented to Cabinet for consideration.
- 1.3. The report was considered by Bingham Town Council at its Council meeting on 24 May 2022.

### **2. Recommendation**

It is RECOMMENDED that:

- a) Cabinet considers the report of the Bingham Improvement Board and notes that the Town Council resolved to accept the report at its meeting of 24 May 2022; and
- b) the report is also presented to the July Council meeting, as it was Full Council that received the petition which led to the Board being set up.

### **3. Reasons for recommendation**

To ensure transparency of the work undertaken by the Bingham Improvement Board and the Council's response to the petition presented by the Bingham Deserves Better group.

### **4. Supporting information**

- 4.1. The attached report contains all the relevant details for consideration and includes an Action Plan. At its meeting of 24 May, Bingham Town Council discussed the report and resolved to accept the report and to move forward with implementing the Action Plan, adding the civility and respect poster to the

Town Council's website, and supported writing a letter to the MP Robert Jenrick asking him to support Early Day Motion 691, which relates to the conduct of councillors toward town and parish council clerks.

- 4.2. There was a point of clarification noted by the Town Council that HR training had been undertaken after the Standards Committee recommendations were issued and later in the agenda, the Town Council's structure was altered slightly to take on board the comments the Board had made, and this will be reviewed further by the Town Council in six months' time.

## **5. Alternative options considered and reasons for rejection**

There are no alternative options considered for this report.

## **6. Risks and uncertainties**

The work of the Bingham Improvement Board was undertaken in a collaborative and positive manner. It is designed to support Bingham Town Council to avoid the risk of subsequent petitions requesting Community Governance Reviews being carried out.

## **7. Implications**

### **7.1. Financial implications**

The work undertaken had a budget of £10,000 that was jointly funded between Bingham Town Council and Rushcliffe Borough Council.

### **7.2. Legal implications**

There are no legal implications arising from the report.

### **7.3. Equalities implications**

There are no equalities implications arising from the report.

### **7.4. Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 implications**

There are no S17 implications arising from the report.

## **8. Link to corporate priorities**

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| Quality of Life    | N/A |
| Efficient Services | N/A |
| Sustainable Growth | N/A |
| The Environment    | N/A |

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| <b>Background papers available for Inspection:</b> | Reports to Rushcliffe Borough Council,<br>30 September 2021 and 2 December 2021  |
| <b>List of appendices:</b>                         | Report of the Bingham Improvement Board  |