

# Bierton with Broughton Parish Council

## MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 20<sup>th</sup> February 2012

**Present:** Cllr. Robson in the chair, Cllr. Miller, Cllr. Ash, Cllr. Batson, Cllr. Cotton, Cllr Gilpin, Cllr Horne, Cllr Webber and the Clerk Mrs. Smith in attendance.

County Cllr Jenny Puddefoot

Parishioners present: Four

**1. Apologies for Absence:** Cllr. Vaughan

The chairman on behalf of the Parish Council wished to give condolences to Cllr Vaughan on the death of his mother.

**2. Declaration of Interest:** None

**3. Minutes of Last Meeting:**

The minutes were accepted as a true record and duly signed.

It was noted that the undergrowth at the Hulcott turn has now been cleared and Cllr Ash will investigate the replacement of gates on public footpath 3, off Great Lane, and report back to Mr & Mrs Butowski.

**4. Public Forum**

A Bierton landowner stated the difficulties he was having with the excessive use of the land between Parsons and Burcott Lanes by dog walkers and others which had led to every field having a wide perimeter track around and dog faeces everywhere. Also fences have been broken down and one illegal access created by the stream. He had just completed the labelling of all access points asking people to Keep to the Footpath and to Pick up after their dogs. He wished that the Parish Council would draw the attention of residents to the problem. It was suggested that a mention would be put in the next newsletter.

Two representatives of the Neighbourhood Specialist Area Team PC Steve Clewlow and PCSO Sarsha Donnelly introduced themselves to the Parish Council and the residents who were present. They advised that a new venture entitled 'Cop-o-tea' had been arranged on the 28<sup>th</sup> February at 10.30 a.m. at Parton Road for residents to discuss any problems, this was in addition to the monthly surgeries at the church. They explained that there had been problems with the last few NAG meeting both in terms of the venue and how to pay for them. The police page had been updated in the church monthly magazine. Lastly they advised that a new inspector Kelly Glister had replaced Omar Abu-Rish. There followed a discussion on the problem of the parking on the verges near the junction of Burcott Lane and the main road. PC Clewlow stated that unfortunately the police were unable to do anything as the verges were more than 50m away from the junction.. The chairman thanked the officers for their attendance.

**5. Clerks Report –** The Clerk's report was noted.

**6. RFO Report :**

- The following receipts and payments were approved ;

**Credit**

Christine Haes	Short Mat Bowls – Dec	83.70
Bob Sargeant	Table Tennis – Dec	64.80
Bierton Football Club	Regular Booking - Football	100.00
Arnika Bass	Regular Booking - Zumba	100.00
Claydons Academy	Regular Booking - Dance	100.00
Mrs J R Mitchell	Regular Booking – Qigong/Tai Chi	175.00
Lester Wellington	Regular Booking - Karate	150.00

**Debit**

CLlr Keith Miller	Mileage & Expenses	49.11
Eon Energy	Street Lighting	187.96
Eon Energy	Electricity Supplied to SC	112.06
Natwest Bank	Bank Charges to 30 Dec	15.45
Public Works Loan Board	Loan Repayment	1392.74
Eon Energy	Street Lighting	187.96
Eon Energy	Quarterly Gas Supplied to SC	831.50
Eon Energy	Electricity Supplied to SC	105.97
Done & Dusted	Sports Centre Commercial Cleaning	232.00
Society of Local Council Clerks	Regional Conference	78.00
Techniclean	Cleaning Materials	149.95
M Smith	Clerk's salary and expenses	632.06
Post office	Stamps	1.50
Vonage	Clerk telephone	19.74
Aylesbury Mains Ltd	Street Lighting Maintenance	408.72
BALC	Councillor training	9.55
Wayne Coyne	Repairs to Pavilion Roof	260.00
CPRE	Annual Membership	29.00

**Cash in Hand after these receipts and payments**      **Natwest**      **31,684.**

Sports Centre & Recreation Ground Reserve	7,494
Building Contingencies	1,500
Proposed Kitchen Refurbishment	3,000
Promotion of Recreational Activities	500
Traffic Lights	1,000
Contingency Planning	500
Traffic Calming Measures	<u>7,000</u>
	<u>20,994</u>

Leaving unallocated      **10,690**

**7. Bierton Sports Centre**

- Preschool Outside Area. No representative from the pre school attended the meeting and the council was unable to discuss the area until a proper plan is presented.
- Pavilion Roof – A quote had been obtained for the replacement of the roof at just over £ 7,000. It was suggested that other quotes were obtained and Cllr Gilpin said he would forward some names to the clerk.
- It had been noted that there a large amount of litter had built up particularly behind the Pavilion and Sports Centre. The clerk will remind all users to clear up after use and also approach the commercial cleaning company Done & Dusted to see if they would be prepared to clean up the litter on a regular basis.
- Cllr Cotton stated that Bierton Football Club had temporarily ceased to exist but there was a plan for a new committee to be formed to allow the team to struggle through to the end of the season. Cllr Cotton and Cllr Webber will meet with the new committee and offer any assistance in this regard. The reserve team has finished.

### **8. Community Plan Progress Report**

No response had been received from AVDC following the submission of the community plan. Everything is in a state of confusion and uncertainty especially if the development at Broughton Crossing goes ahead. This obviously would affect Bierton and it was not certain whether the development would become part of Aylesbury Town or remain as part of the Parish.

### **9. Queens Diamond Jubilee**

Various individuals had had a number of meetings in order to look at organising an event for the Diamond Jubilee. The consensus of the people attending suggested that the event should be a fete or a tea party for children to be held at the Sports Centre on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June. These individuals included Cllr Gilpin, representatives from the scouts and the church and also a resident of Great Lane who had organised a street party last year for the Royal Wedding. There had also been a suggestion that a commemorative gift could be purchased for all the children in the village, possibly a mug. It was also proposed that there might be cakes for sale and a raffle to help fund the event. The clerk will investigate how the Parish Council might help with funding the event and whether the Parish Council insurance would cover such an event. The Parish Council asked Cllr Gilpin to set up a committee with a constitution and a bank account. The Parish Council agreed to donate the use of the Sports Centre in the afternoon after the regular hirer had finished the morning hire session.

### **10. Speed Limit Review**

Work is to commence on installing the new limits during March 2012. Martin Tett had in an e-mail advised that the statement from Mr Robson relating to 'all the necessary procedures and formalities had been completed a long time previously' was not entirely accurate as there were still a number of processes that were required to be undertaken. Cllr Robson noted that a letter in 2009 had stated that all the necessary formalities had been in place.

### **11. New Homes Bonus**

The council discussed the response of AVALC to AVDC regarding the new homes bonus which highlighted the apparent high jacking of resources intended to benefit directly the communities most affected by the new housing. It was agreed that the letter and particularly the views expressed in the last two paragraphs were representative of the Parish Council views and the Parish Council supported the stance that AVALC had taken in this letter.

### **12. Transportation Issues**

It was agreed that the Clerk would invite Clifford Marshall, the Local Area Technician from Transport for Bucks, to the April Parish Council Meeting at 7.00 p.m. to discuss transportation issues.

### **13. Planning Applications**

#### **10/02649/AOP** Land East of Aylesbury Broughton Crossing Bierton – Amended Proposals/Plans

The Council agreed that it was still opposed to this application with the comment that the amendments had not overcome the previous objections. Cllr Robson stated that the figures used for the traffic forecasts were suspect as the peak time had been set at between 8 and 9 whereas the actual peak time should be between 7 and 8. Cllr Robson is still trying to talk to the man involved in producing the transport model. It would appear that there has not been a change to the traffic calming measures proposed through Bierton which would seem not to be traffic calming but congestion forming. Traffic lights are proposed at the junction of the A418 and Gib Lane. Cllr Robson will continue to carry on reading through the vast amount of information provided by AVDC with reference to the amended proposals and will produce a response by the 7<sup>th</sup> March.

**11/02668/APP** Aylesbury Golf Centre, Hulcott Lane, HP22 5GA – Erection of residential accommodation for golf centre groundsman. – No Objections

**11/02669/APP** Aylesbury Golf Centre, Hulcott Lane, HP22 5GA – Erection of residential accommodation for golf centre manager. – The Parish Council discussed this application due to concern that approval of this application could prejudice the future development of the A418 improvement programme in the flexibility of the junction through to the proposed eastern link road north.

**11/02804/APP** The Paddocks 188A Aylesbury Road, Bierton – Erection of detached single storey garage/store  
-No Objections

**12/00087/APP** 9 Burcott Lane, Bierton HP22 5AU – Front and rear first floor extension and replacement of flat roof of garage with pitched roof -No Objections

#### **14. Planning Determinations**

To receive determinations by AVDC including:

**11/02699/ATC** 104 Aylesbury Road, Bierton, HP22 5DL – Remove ivy and epicormic growth on two Walnut trees etc. - Permitted

**11/02707/ACD** 120 Aylesbury Road, Bierton, HP22 5DL – Demolition of existing garage and outbuildings - Conservation Area Consent

#### **15. Correspondence**

**AVALC** – Response to AVDC New Homes Bonus

**AVDC**- Vale of Aylesbury Plan – Stakeholder Forums

-Touring Arts and Holiday Activities

- Information re Meetings Feb & Mar 2012

-Neighbourhood Watch

**BALC** -HS2 Update and Invitation to HS2 Summit

**Bucks County Council** – Annual Monitoring Report on Minerals and Waste Local Development Framework

-Day Services in Buckinghamshire

-Temporary Prohibition Traffic Order Summer 2012

- Feedback Questionnaire on LAT

- Switching off Street Lights to Save Energy Trial

**Community Impact** – Community Buildings Forum

**Local Government Boundary Commission** – Final recommendations

**NALC** – Events in 2012

**Thames Valley Police** - Community Safety Survey

#### **Circulars:**

**ARLA** – Newsletter January 2012

**AVDC** – News for the Parishes

**BALC** – Winter 2011/2012

**Community Impact** –Winter 2011/2012

**CPRE** – A guide to neighbourhood planning

**Link** – Newsletter

#### **22. Confidential Matter**

#### **23. Matters of report**

County Councillor and Cllr Cotton stated that they would investigate possible venues and funding for Nag meetings.

The County Council are to reduce grants to voluntary groups and this will need to be watched carefully as there will be less choice for vulnerable residents.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 10.05 pm.

Date of next meeting Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30 pm.