

# Bierton Parish Council

## MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF HELD ON Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2024 at 7.00pm at the Sports Centre, Burcott Lane, Bierton

**Present:** Cllr S Cotton in the Chair, Cllr L Fisher, Cllr S Knowles, Cllr N Hyre, Cllr M Grieves, Cllr N Roberts, Cllr S Feeney, Cllr A Brierley, Cllr H Smith, the Clerk Mrs Wendy Tomlinson, PC O Pinnells, PCSO T Moslin & 3 members of the public

**1. APOLOGIES** – Cllr J Ward (BC)

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – None

**3. MATTERS/ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

- Community Library – Cllr Brierley has looked at other local Community Libraries and is comfortable with the size of the one he has proposed. **Cllr Brierley will provide clerk with quotes for Wendover Community Board grant application.**
- Street Trading Policy – Cllr Brierley responded to the survey online.
- Youth Council – Cllr Brierley reported that Aylesbury Town Council have a youth council which is more like a forum. He has spoken to the Youth Town Clerk who suggested we start off slow, perhaps suggest a social meeting to start with. The idea would be to give young people a voice and an opinion and to ask what they want to see in the village. The age range would be 13 – 19 years. Safeguarding and DBS checks will be required. Would also need to look when and where it could be held. **Cllr Brierley will do more research.**
- Streetlight on Old Orchards – This has been fixed.
- Footpath from the end of the dairy to school – **Cllr Cotton reported that this will hopefully be open by September.**
- Burcott Lane Parking – PC Pinnells & PCSO Moslin explained that as there are no traffic restrictions in the area, it is difficult to issue tickets/fines. They do have patrols down there when possible and can ask people to move on but cannot enforce anything. Cllr Knowles suggested collaborating with Kingsbrook Parish Council, Bierton School, the Police, Buckinghamshire Council and the Diocese to try to resolve the issue. Cllr Cotton has contacted the Diocese regarding the field at bottom of school and is awaiting a response.

**4. MINUTES** - The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024 were agreed as an accurate record and duly signed by the chair.

**5. PUBLIC FORUM**

- A parishioner mentioned that he had previously tried to rent a Diocese field and it would have cost thousands of pounds and had to be leased for a long time.
- A resident from William Hill Drive had complained to a parishioner about the event held at the Sports Centre at the weekend, They felt that there should be portable toilets for large numbers of people as there are not enough toilets in the sports centre. Going forward, Cllr Cotton will ask people to hire portable toilets if the capacity will be more than 80 when using the outside space.

**6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS & PLANNING MATTERS –**

- 23/03221/ADP - ASTON CLINTON Aylesbury Woodland College Road North Aston Clinton Buckinghamshire Application for approval of reserved matters (access, layout, scale, appearance and landscaping) for Phase 1A works (Woodlands Roundabout Improvements and associated flood mitigation and landscaping), pursuant to outline planning permission ref 16/01040/AOP and approval of condition 4. 9, 13 (detail of access, layout, scale, appearance and landscaping) 15 slab levels) 16 (drainage and suds) 29 (construction environmental management plan) 36 ( flood risk aspects) – **All resolved to issue same comment as 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2023 which was that Bierton Parish Council are in support of this application.**

**7. CLERKS REPORT –**

- We have received a quote for the repositioning and replacement of the streetlight on Rowsham Road which is £3,720 inclusive of VAT. This was compared to the company used last year which was more expensive. **All agreed to proceed. Clerk to arrange.**

**8. FINANCE & ORDERS –** The Clerk gave details of three further payments to be added to the payment schedule. Payments and receipts which had been circulated to Councillors ahead of the meeting were agreed upon with the financial receipts, payments, and proposed payment schedule.

- 9. POP-UP PUB IN JUBILEE HALL** – The organisers issued an updated action plan. The potential date will be 21<sup>st</sup> September 2024 and the organisers will be funding it. Cllr Roberts had provided information on licencing and the organiser will apply for a licence through Buckinghamshire Council. Beer will be provided by Chiltern Brewery and dispensed in firkins and Majestic Wines will provide wine and glasses. Non-alcoholic beers will also be provided. The list of drinks may change. Soft drinks will be available as well as tea and coffee. Only nibbles will be provided. It was agreed that the hall will be free of charge for the first event. If it is likely to become a regular event, the Parish Council will decide on a hire fee. A discussion took place around children attending. Public Liability insurance and if needed, an entertainment licence will be obtained by the organisers. Suggestions were requested for a local charity for the proceeds to go to. Cllr Cotton suggested the Aylesbury branch of Parkinson's UK. Organisers will liaise with the Clerk as and when needed.
- 10. BUS SHELTER** – No prices received as yet
- 11. ASTON ABBOTTS NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN** – Previously circulated. Cllr Cotton noted that is nearly all farmland. As there is no meeting in August, **if anyone has comments, they should be emailed so that a consultation response can be formed.** The final day for consultation responses is 19<sup>th</sup> August 2024.
- 12. UPDATES – To receive any updates on the following (if any)**
- Bierton Events Group –
    - A family sports day is being planned for 24<sup>th</sup> August 2024. Teams will be between 4-6 people. The events group are hoping that the Scouts will do the BBQ.
    - People have been asking for a BBQ & Beer festival. It was agreed that we should see how the Pop-Up Pub goes and maybe organise something for next summer.
    - Cllr Cotton mentioned Open Gardens. This had not been as popular in recent years. A suggestion had been made about the possibility of hunting for an item in gardens.
  - Jubilee Hall & Sports Centre/Playground –
    - Jubilee Hall Renovations – Our consultant has visited and is happy with the progress so far.
    - Sports Centre – Cllr Cotton reported that a family wish to donate a memorial bench. It was suggested that it be placed around the perimeter of the play area. **Cllr Cotton will look into the type of bench.**
    - A local business owner offered to attend football matches to serve teas, coffees, soft drinks and snacks. All agreed this is a good idea.
  - Outside organisations virtual meetings attended by any Councillors –
    - Wendover Community Board – Cllr Cotton attended. A presentation was given from Berks, Bucks & Oxford Wildlife Trust. They may be able to help us with advice should we proceed with any new projects.
    - Kingsbrook Stakeholder Meeting – Cllrs Cotton, Knowles and Hyre attended. The Traffic Calming measures are on course for the end of the Summer. Broughton Lane will be resurfaced at some point before the Winter. Muddy Lane resurfacing – Cllr Cotton reported that a quote from Buckinghamshire Council was received for £12K and another local quote for £5k. Now waiting on a further quote from another local company. Cllr Cotton has asked Barratts and Kingsbrook Parish Council if they would consider contributing.
  - Highways/Footpaths – Nothing to report.
  - Neighbourhood Plan – Cllr Cotton reported that this is nearly ready and the Neighbourhood Steering Group hope to submit it to Buckinghamshire Council for Regulation 16 within the next few weeks, with the view to having a referendum by the end of the year.
- 13. MATTERS OF REPORT** - For Councillors to report any outstanding issues. Items not included on the agenda which require decisions will need to be included on the next agenda.
- Cllr Brierley suggested a Bierton Calendar with Landscape photos. Cllr Fisher responded that we did one 4 or 5 years ago but struggled to sell 100 copies.
  - Cllr Roberts has concerns regarding the Traffic Calming measures because of the traffic in Bierton. Cllr Cotton responded that it has already been approved and will be going ahead. A discussion took place around how HGVs will know to use Kingsbrook. Once Mike Griffin Way and Bellingham Way have been adopted by Buckinghamshire Council, that route will become the A418 and Aylesbury Road will be downgraded.
- 14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – The meeting closed at 8.35pm. The next Parish Council meeting date will be Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2024, commencing at 7pm at the Jubilee Hall.