

Bierton Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON 16TH MAY 2022 held at the Jubilee Hall, Bierton at 7.00p.m.

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Present - Cllr S Cotton in the chair, Cllr B Dewis, Cllr L Fisher, Cllr S Knowles, Cllr N Hyre, Cllr M Grieves, Cllr J Ward (BC), and the Clerk Mrs W Tomlinson in attendance.

Parishioners present – 13

1. **Apologies for Absence** – Cllr A Webber, Cllr Glynn, Cllr M Collins (BC)
2. **Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting 2021** - The minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting were accepted as a true record and duly signed.
3. **Matters Arising** - None
4. **Chairperson's Report** - The Chairperson presented her report for the year ending 31st March 2022. The report will be displayed on the village website and the Parish Council Noticeboard.
5. **Neighbourhood Plan** – Cllr Cotton presented an outline of the background and the next steps for the Neighbourhood Plan which is currently with Buckinghamshire Council. She also explained the Consultation process since it's inception. Several questions were raised by parishioners, including relating to the communication of forums and individual notifications regarding development boundaries. Responses were given and Cllr Fisher asked parishioners how they would prefer to be contacted with information that may directly affect their properties. It was noted that letters, where possible, should be hand delivered to ensure receipt. Cllr Knowles gave an overview of what the Neighbourhood Plan is about and what the intention of it is and pointed out that the Plan was made in good faith and by a group of volunteer parishioners. Cllr Fisher advised that development boundary lines were made within the guidance from the National Planning Policy Framework.
Cllr Ward pointed out the examination of the Consultation is independent and not evaluated by Buckinghamshire Council.
6. **Statement of Accounts year ending 31/03/21**
Copies of the statement of accounts had been previously circulated to the councillors and were available for councillors and any parishioners to view at the meeting. The accounts were accepted by the Parish Council and the statement of accounts was duly signed. The Accounts will be externally audited, and results published on the main Notice board at the Jubilee Hall.
7. **Public Forum** – No further comments.

Meeting closed at 7.45pm