



BIERTON WINTER NEWS

FEBRUARY 2022



Thank you to everyone who purchased a Bierton 2022 calendar. The photo above is the February picture which was taken by Lisa Cardarello.

PARISH COUNCIL

We're delighted to confirm that Wendy Tomlinson has been appointed as Clerk to the Parish Council. The next Parish Council meeting will be held at 7pm in Jubilee Hall on Monday 21st February. All welcome to attend. Dates of future meetings and minutes from previous ones are all available on the village website - www.biertonvillage.org.uk

PLAYGROUND

The Parish Council is seeking funding to improve the playground at the Recreation Ground. If you have ideas on what you would like to see, please email parishclerk@biertonpc.org.uk or call the Parish Council on 07932 738733.

WELCOME

Welcome to the Winter edition of Bierton News, providing local updates and information to residents.

Please keep the feedback and ideas coming by emailing diary@biertonvillage.org.uk or facebook messaging Bierton Parish Council or leaving a message on **07932 738733**.

RECREATION GROUND DEDICATION

The Memorial Stone on the pavilion at the Recreation Ground in Burcott Lane was officially re-opened by Greg Smith MP on 12th November. The stone been difficult to read for a while and has now been carefully restored by Cliveden Conservation using funding kindly provided by the Mike & Claire Griffin Trust.



BIERTON EVENTS

Thank you to everyone who took part in and supported the November run. Over 140 runners took part on the new route through Bierton and Kingsbrook, raising over £800 for the PACE centre.

A big thank you also to everyone who came out to wave and cheer on Santa during his weekend tour of the village in December. Two bulgingly full trolleys of food and toiletries were donated to the Aylesbury Vineyard foodbank and over £550 was donated to Aylesbury Homeless Action Group. Both charities have asked to pass on their sincere thanks to everyone



POPPY APPEAL

Joan Arnold would like to thank all the poppy sellers - you raised just under £3,000, a great achievement and the most ever raised in Bierton and Hulcott.

Joan is retiring this year after many years of service to the Royal British Legion and we would like to thank her for representing Bierton and Hulcott during this time. She is therefore looking for someone to take over organising the poppy collection every year. If you are interested or want to know more, please call Joan on 428903

DYNAMIC DRIVING RANGE & BAY 19



The Dynamic Driving Range and Bay 19 offer a warm welcome to all visitors. Located in Hulcott Lane, you'll find a custom fit golf centre, PGA Professionals providing golf lessons & advice, a fully stocked Sports Bar showing live sport and a separate events venue suitable for a range of uses.

The driving range is open from 9-9 Monday to Saturday and from 9-8 on Sundays. There are a range of targets and distance markers and prices start from £6 with free use of golf clubs. No need to book, just pop along.

Bay 19, the sports bar offers hot and cold drinks as well as snacks and freshly made pizzas on some evenings. The bar is air conditioned and there's an outdoor terrace to soak up the sun or watch the stars (with complimentary blankets).

If you want to watch sports while enjoying a drink, there are multiple screens showing a range of sports.

For more information visit www.ddd.golf or call 07707 543891



COMMUNITY ALLOTMENT



- Favourites last year: Potatoes, lettuce, cucumber, courgette & tatsoi (close relative of Pak Choi)
- Additions for this year: Pak choi, brussels, parsnips, sweetcorn, blueberries & an apple tree.
- We are expanding and will be taking on the allotment behind ours – hoping to add a poly tunnel, 4 more raised planters in addition to more beds.

How to find out what's going on?

- Join us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/groups/240876110894375/>
- Posters on the parish noticeboards and updates in the newsletter
- Calendar of events leaflet

How to get involved?

- Regular sessions – the 1st Sunday on every month from 1-3pm at the allotment and Thursday morning each week from 10-11am with coffee and cake at 2 Beech Close (this will move to the allotment as the season advances). All welcome. Please check the calendar for dates.
- Come to the Open Day on Sunday April 3rd 1-3pm
- Join us on a coach trip - RHS Risley on 18th May, Waterperry Gardens on 1st July
- Working parties at key times (additional ones maybe added if needed)
- Kids fun/craft days

Our aim is for everyone to know about the community allotment and for those that want to be involved in whatever form can do so.

How does the Community Allotment work? It's evolving. It's what YOU want it to be. We ask that you come and meet with us so we can walk you through the site, where everything is, so we don't upset other allotment holders and then you are given the code and free access.

Why not **visit the allotment after school** with the kids and have a picnic? **Working from home?** – wander up and enjoy the space and peace and have your lunch.

New to the village? – come to the arranged events and make friends and arrange times to come up with others.

We want the allotment to be for **EVERYONE** in the community so if you can't give time but would like to enjoy the fresh produce – THAT'S OK. Come and help yourself or take from the basket at the end of Beech Close. We don't want any waste. If you enjoy growing at home and have surplus, put in the basket at the end of Beech Close for all to share. There are so many ways to get involved – one of our most active members hates vegetables but loves the community project and helps with all the physical preparation and building. They'll be others who can't physically get to the allotment but could help prepare labels, bag up seeds for our growers, plant seeds for germination all off site in the early season with the added bonus of coffee and cake. This is OUR allotment and if you want to be involved we will find a job for you. If you just want to come up and chat as we are pottering around then that would be great too.

There will be a list of jobs in the greenhouse if you want to go up when you have a free hour and crack on. Please don't worry about doing the wrong thing, we are all learning. Sometimes it is lovely to enjoy the space alone and at other times it's nice to meet up with others. We can facilitate both just get in touch with Louise on 07919 446193 or louisegattward@yahoo.co.uk



A418 FREIGHT CONSULTATION - HAVE YOUR SAY

Buckinghamshire Council is consulting about the boundaries of the freight zone east of the A418, north of the A41 and west of the B440. To reduce HGV flows through Bierton and the Aylesbury town centre the preferred route for this traffic is to take the following journey. Along the Eastern Link Road off the A418 on to the Stocklake Link Road to the A4157 and on to the A41 towards Hemel Hempstead and the M25. This works in reverse for traffic from the A41 wishing to take the A418 towards Leighton Buzzard, Dunstable, the M1, and beyond.

Please have your say on this consultation by using the link below or emailing freight@buckinghamshire.gov.uk the **closing date for responses is 23rd February 2022**

<https://yourvoicebucks.citizenspace.com/roads-parking/copy-of-ivinghoe-freight-tro-2022/>

HISTORY OF BIERTON'S PUBS

Records show that at one point there were 7 pubs in Bierton and 2 in Broughton. In recent memory both the **Red Lion and Bell** were operational and the Doghouse is still open.



Photo of the Crown Inn at the top of Parsons Lane c1914 - courtesy of Andrew Cooke

The Bell pub was operational until 2019 and was most recently a Thai restaurant and bar.

It's currently being converted into an Indian restaurant which is due to open in late 2021/early 2022. **The Red Lion** is a Grade II listed 16th century pub, with some claims to have housed troops during the English Civil War.

*Opposite the Red Lion and on the corner of Parsons Lane was **the Crown** (photo left below). From censuses we know the landlords and residents through most of the 1800's but don't know when it was closed and demolished.*

*Next to Jubilee Hall was **the Eagle**, which some residents remember visiting to buy beer in the early 1970's - if you look closely you can see the name of the pub etched on the glass of the door. **The New Inn** was located almost opposite Barnett Way and **the Star** (near 163 Aylesbury Road) and **Plough** (near Plough End) were located nearby.*

*In Broughton, **The Doghouse** was formerly known as the Prince of Wales, changing it's name to the Old Moat House c1997, further in Broughton and past the canal bridge was **The Seven Stars**, now the Old Seven Stars Cottage*



Photo of the Plough and pond - courtesy of Andrew Cooke

The Spring edition will be published in April/May.

If you have any articles, feedback, news or thanks you would like to share, please email diary@biertonvillage.org.uk or facebook message Bierton Parish Council or leave a message on 07932 738733