

Bierton Parish Council

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON Monday 25th July 2022 at 19.00 at the Jubilee Hall, Aylesbury Road, Bierton

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Present: Cllr S Cotton in the chair, Cllr L Fisher, Cllr B Dewis, Cllr S Knowles, Cllr N Hyre, Cllr A Webber, Cllr C King the Clerk Mrs Wendy Tomlinson and Natalie Roberts (Co-Opt Councillor applicant)

1. **APOLOGIES** – Cllr B Chapple (BC), Cllr M Collins (BC)
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** - None
3. **MINUTES** – Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 20th June 2022 were agreed as an accurate record and duly signed by the chair.
4. **OPEN PUBLIC FORUM** – None
5. **PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY** – The Parish Councillors agreed to Co-Opt Natalie Roberts on to the Parish Council.
6. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS & PLANNING MATTERS**
 - 22/02001/APP - BIERTON The Dog House PH Broughton Crossing Bierton Buckinghamshire HP22 5AR Two storey side extension – **No comments. Councillors agreed to support the application.**
 - 22/02094/APP - BIERTON 6 Grendon Way Bierton Buckinghamshire HP22 5DD Householder application for ground floor side extension, and front and rear dormer roof extensions – **Cllr Webber reported that neighbouring properties also have dormer windows. Cllr Knowles reported that he could not see any significant material difference to the previous application. Councillors agreed that as no significant material changes can be seen, the previous comments will stand.**
7. **CLERKS REPORT** – The Clerks report was received and noted
8. **FINANCE & ORDERS** - Payments and receipts which had previously been circulated to Councillors ahead of the meeting were agreed upon with the financial receipts, payments, and proposed payment schedule.
9. **GRANTS** – The Gib Lane Community Fund applications are open until 14th September 2022. Bierton Events Group have applied. New notice boards are needed for the village but not sure this grant will fund those. Cllr Grieves reported that the cricket net needs replacing at the recreation ground. Clerk to obtain a quote from the previous supplier.
10. **UNPAID INVOICES** – Final payment of £148.20 was made on 30th June.
11. **STREET LIGHT MAINTENANCE** – Councillors agreed that following further investigation by the clerk that an annual maintenance contract will be entered into. Clerk to request further information relating to call out times and confirmation of insurance.
12. **UPDATES – To receive any updates on the following (if any) ;**
 - Bierton Events Group – There are a good number of entries for the November run. A pumpkin event will take place for Halloween.
 - Jubilee Hall & Sports Centre/Playground –
 - The subsidence monitoring report states that there has been no movement.
 - The play around the parishes play bus is available on 19th August. Councillors agreed to hire it for 2 hours at a cost of £381. Cllr Cotton to arrange.
 - All of the Pre School staff will be changing in September except for the Administrator.
 - Outside organisations virtual meetings attended by any Councillors –
 - Kingsbrook Stakeholder meeting - There are plans for a nature reserve on the land adjacent to the golf club. Cllr Cotton questioned the lights at the secondary school – no information at this point. Local healthcare was discussed. Further meetings are to take place. Cllr Cotton asked if there was any funding available for grasscrete surfacing alongside the recreation ground for parking. The answer was no. The road closure on Burcott Lane started today. Cllr Dewis reported that the traffic was heavy. Cllr Cotton asked about parking for the school at the new sports pitches. This will need to be discussed with the end user. It is not yet known who the end user will be. A public exhibition for the Traffic calming proposal will be held at Jubilee Hall on Thursday 8th September from 10am to 7pm (booked hall times).
 - Surveyors have been on site on the land behind Gib Lane.
 - Wendover & Villages Community Board – Priorities were discussed for 2022/2023 – The main priority will be, Health & Wellbeing with sub themes of social inclusion, economic vulnerability/recovery, support for young people and environment/climate change. There was a presentation on 'Leaky Homes' relating to heat loss.

- Highways/Footpaths –
 - Gate for the footpath by dairy - Cllr Cotton has the spec and is awaiting to hear from SLN re quote. Cllr Fisher suggested that the footpath may need widening. It was agreed that this would be the responsibility of Kingsbrook.
 - Yellow Lines on Burcott Lane - the public consultation has finished. Cllr Cotton is waiting for the report.
- Neighbourhood Plan – The Examiner has made his initial comments and the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group have responded to the comments. Cllr Knowles commented that it is very complicated and remarked that maybe the development boundaries need to be looked at. Cllr Hyre suggested that each of the 18 properties affected be looked at and individual reasons given for the decisions made. Cllr Fisher suggested an open event to discuss individual cases. Cllr Knowles agreed that this may be the way forward and pointed out that it will involve a lot of time. Cllr Knowles remarked that it may be better to change all of the development boundaries. Cllr King suggested that if the boundary is changed for one person, others will then complain. Cllr King suggested visiting the individuals so that the land can be seen. Comments made by the Councillors will be taken into account at the next Neighbourhood Plan Meeting.

13. MATTERS OF REPORT –

- Traffic Calming – comments were previously received from Cllr Fisher and Cllr Hyre. There is concern regarding the parking outside the church and the chicane outside Miles Court. Cllr King raised concerns regarding taking the bus laybys out and the cost involved. It was clarified that the idea of the traffic calming is to slow traffic down and prevent so much traffic coming through the village. Cllr Cotton has requested dates for responses and suggested that Councillors attend the exhibition in September and ask parishioners for their views. The Parish Council will submit their comments after that. Cllr Knowles pointed out that he could not see any speed cameras on the map. Councillors agreed that they are not happy with the bus cages.
- Cllr Webber reported that Poplar Grove surgery will have two new doctors and two new nurses will be starting.
- Cllr Hyre reported that the vicarage is currently inhabited up until the end of November by somebody from the diocese.
- Cllr Cotton reported that the clerk will be on holiday from 15th August to 30th August.
- Cllr Cotton reported that Stone has planters on the verges. Councillors agreed that this would be looked into at a later date.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Meeting closed at 8.25pm. The next Parish Council meeting date will be Monday 19th September 2022, which will commence at 7.00pm at the Jubilee Hall.