

BARTON IN FABIS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Village Meeting Wednesday 21 May 2025
at 7:30 p.m. held in Barton Village Hall

PRESENT

Allan Kerr (Chairman), Bill Harrison (Vice Chairman), Julian Coles, Diane Harrison, Liz Mossop and twenty six Village residents.

IN ATTENDANCE

Bev Angell (Clerk). Rushcliffe Borough Councillors Andrew Brown and Rex Walker

Apologies for absence were received from Roger Hawkins

1682 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

No declarations were made

1683 MINUTES.

The minutes of the meeting held on 22 May 2024 were approved for signature by the Chairman.

1684 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.

The Chairman gave thanks to the Parish Councillors for their service to the Village Reference was made to the proposals for local government within Nottinghamshire which will be implemented in the next few years. Thanks were given to County Councillor Matt Barney who has now stood down from the County Council. An appeal was made to residents who were interested to consider putting themselves forward as members of the Parish Council.

1685 PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 2024 - 2025.

The draft accounts for the year 2024 - 2025 subject to audit were approved by the Parish Council. Bank balances in the current account with Cooperative Bank amounted to £1,426.10 less unpresented cheques amounting to £1,317.13 and the balance in the savings account with the Skipton Building Society amounted to £19,026.22. Total payments in the year amounted to £5,640.77 with receipts of £6,476.98

1686 DISTRICT REPORT.

Andrew Brown reported that it was last day in office as Rushcliffe's mayor. Rushcliffe has given a response to object to the proposed sand and gravel quarry at Mill Hill. It was reported that changes to the National Planning Framework were in place. There is now the concept of a term of grey belt as a transition from the green belt approach. The proposals for Local Government reorganisation for the County were outlined. When implemented it will see one tier of governance for the entire County. This is currently being reviewed by the district councils.

1687 MILL HILL QUARRY.

It was reported that a second Section 25 notice has been served and this will provide a further opportunity to comment on the proposals. It is not sure when this will eventually come to committee. Rushcliffe Borough Council has agreed to object to the proposed quarry. A petition has been presented to the County with a request to review the Minerals Local Plan. Thanks were given to Julian Coles for his work on the Quarry campaign.

1688 FAIRHAM DEVELOPMENT.

The industrial units erected on the Fairham development have been occupied. The office developments have proved to be less popular to let and this has slowed down. Also the housing development has slowed down as well. Redrow has 10% of social housing within its area of activity. The school site now moved from its previous location in order to make space for a possible extension to the tram network. The roundabout at Mill Hill is being reviewed by Homes England and it is anticipated that traffic lights will eventually be in place to control some of the traffic flows. Fewer shops are now likely to be provided for the centre of Fairham. Soil movement is still in progress. Management of the communal areas will be provided by Greenbelt, with the cost being recovered from residents through a service charge.

1689 EAST MIDLANDS AIRPORT.

The Five Parishes Group has pushed for representation on the Airport Consultative Committee with ability to participate in the review of any proposed changes to flight patterns. Currently some 80% of training flights are to the north of the airport. The objective is to achieve a more even split and also to avoid over flying the surrounding villages. In addition, it is expected to increase the height of the training flights to reduce noise levels. Freight traffic is on the increase, resulting in more night flights.

1690 PARISH BOUNDARY REVIEW.

The petition to change the boundaries of Barton in Fabis is now with Rushcliffe Borough Council, with a meeting to consider it scheduled for 5 June 2025. It is anticipated that the completion will take place by 2027.

1691 FREEPORT.

The establishment of the Freeport includes the area covered by Ratcliffe Power Station. Some concerns have been expressed on the capacity of the M1 Junction 24 to cope with the anticipated additional traffic flows. Art of the Freeport also includes the airport and this could result in additional warehousing within the surrounding area..

The meeting closed at 7:55 p.m.