

BUCKLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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Members of the Council were summoned to attend the **Buckland Parish Council Meeting**

On **Monday 12th December 2022** Online Teams Meeting @ 7.00pm

Minutes

Attending:

Cllr Mr N Hayward (Chairman)

Cllr Mrs S Gillingham

Cllr Mr J Sainsbury

Cllr Mrs F Livingston

Cllr Mrs C Paternoster

22. 234 Apologies

No Apologies were received.

22. 235 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

22.236 Open Forum

No Members of the public attended

22.237 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on the 14th of Nov 2022 were agreed by the council and will be signed by the Chairman after the meeting.

22.238 Clerk's Report

Decision: The council approved the following meeting dates for 2023/2024.

Month	Date	Description
January	16th	Buckland Parish Council Meeting
February	13th	Buckland Parish Council Meeting
March	13th	Buckland Parish Council Meeting
April	17th	Annual Parish Meeting and Buckland Parish Council
May	15th	Annual Meeting of Buckland Parish Council
June	12th	Buckland Parish Council Meeting
July	10th	Buckland Parish Council Meeting
August	14th	Buckland Parish Council Meeting
September	11th	Buckland Parish Council Meeting
October	9th	Buckland Parish Council Meeting
November	13th	Buckland Parish Council Meeting
December	11th	Buckland Parish Council Meeting

Due to two Cllrs being unavailable on the second Monday in January, the meeting will be held on the 16th of January 2023.

22.239 Finance

- a. Payments were approved and balances agreed.
- b. The proposed budget was reviewed by Councillors.

Decision: The council approved unanimously the budget for 2023/24 and set the precept for Buckland at £ 34254.48 an increase of 3.99% to meet the rising costs.

22.220 Planning

The planning application 22/03943/AOP, for 93 dwellings on land off Brandon Close, Aston Clinton, was considered and the following comments were raised:

Buckland Parish Council objects to the above planning application for the following reasons:

- The site lies outside the settlement boundaries of both Aston Clinton and Buckland, as defined by policy H1 of the Aston Clinton Neighbourhood Plan and policy BP1 of the Buckland Neighbourhood Plan.
- The site is adjacent to the Buckland Conservation Area and is contrary to that document.
- The site shares a boundary with the Moat scheduled ancient monument and lies very close to listed buildings, Moat Farmhouse, Great Moat Barn and the Old Bullpen. The development will have a negative effect on the settings of these heritage assets, contrary to policy BP14.
- The site fails to preserve or enhance the Buckland Conservation area and is therefore contrary to the Neighbourhood Plan policy BP2.
- Development on this site will cause further coalescence between Buckland and Aston Clinton, contrary to policy BP5.
- Buckland Neighbourhood Plan has been completely ignored by the applicant. Why?
- There are no allocations for further development within Aston Clinton in VALP, and therefore this application is contrary to policy D3 of that document.
- The proposed development is also contrary to policy BE1 of VALP.
- Due to recent development of unallocated 700 dwellings with no supporting infrastructure in Aston Clinton, local schools, GP surgery, roads, NHS facilities, and other social infrastructure is now unable to cope, even with the current increase in the local population. Any further development would be unsustainable, contrary to the NPPF.

Decision: For these reasons given above this application must be refused.

The planning application 22/03889/APP Faraday House Buckland Road Buckland Buckinghamshire was considered.

Decision: No Objections

Action: Clerk to log decisions on the planning portal

22.221 Neighbourhood Plan

The neighbourhood plan will be 'made' by Bucks Council on the 30th of Dec 2022.

22.222 Policies and Procedures

Cllr C Paternoster was formally declared assistant clerk to Buckland Parish Council. Cllr C Paternoster will provide cover during the Clerk's holiday and ad hoc periods of absence.

22.203 Consultations

There were no current consultations requiring a response from Buckland Parish Council.

22.204 Roads and Transportation

Tring Hill/Buckland Wharf road safety issues:

Bucks Councillor Mike Collins is in the process of taking this matter to senior highways officers to try to get a site meeting with Buckland Parish Council to find a solution to the road traffic dangers in this area. Buckland Parish Council received the 2 years of speed data from TVP traffic police who hold regular speed checks of vehicles in this area.

Action: Cllr Mike Collins to contact senior highways officers and to arrange a meeting with Buckland Parish Council on behalf of local residents. If no contact is made by January 2023 Buckland Parish Council will write to the chief executive.

Salt bins throughout the village need to be refilled.

Action: Clerk to request salt bin refills via fix my street

Gigaclear the Clerk, Cllrs and local residents have written/telephoned Gigaclear to report the damage that has taken place in the village whilst the works were being carried out

Damage to grass verges – requiring new turf or reseeding

Damage to the parking area opposite Model R-row – requiring new gravel/composite

Damage to the granite setts edging the verge

Two crushed culverts

Action: Clerk to continue to write to Gigaclear asking for written confirmation of when these matters will be rectified and Clerk to provide feedback to residents on progress.

22.225 Maintenance of Land Holdings

- a. Burial Ground: No comments.
- b. Grass keep and allotments: The search continues for the water meter on the allotment site so that it can be read and water charges adjusted accordingly. The overgrowth needs to be cut back in order to locate the meter.
It was agreed that the allotment fence should be replaced. , Quotations to be sourced.

Action: Clerk to get quote for the clearing of the allotments and the locating of the water meter. Clerk to also request quote for the fencing of the allotment area. Clerk to contact the neighbours to the allotments to alert them of the forthcoming work.

Decision: The allotment is overgrown and must be cleared in order to locate the water meter.

c. Land Management Contract (General):

Decision: Silverspade to be awarded the contract for a 12 month period from the 1st of April with a 3 month probation period.

d. Action: Clerk to find out when Bucks Council cut the grass verges, and request grass cutting maps. Community Orchard:

Irrigation: awaiting quotations

22.226 Footpaths and Environment

Report of three footpaths which are overgrown and require clearing.

Action: Cllr F Livingston to follow up

22.227 Website & Communications

The clerk reported that a new website is currently being created and will be ready for review at the January 2023 meeting.

22.228 Arla/Olleco

Cllrs reported a decrease in the odours from Arla recently and are interested to see if this is related to Arla's new maintenance procedures.

Action: Clerk to continue to log the odour report and monitor during the coming months.

22.229 Grant Applications

An initial application has been made to the Wendover Community Board for £6,000 for the irrigation of the community orchard. Currently awaiting quotations from third parties for this work.

The community board have issued a recommendation that grants applications are received by the 31st of January

22.230 Matters of Report

Cllr Sainsbury asked if we may attempt to engage Dancers End residents to join the Parish Council.

Clerk offered to post a notice on the Dancers End noticeboard about opportunities to get involved with Buckland Parish Council.

22.231 Correspondence and circulars

Circulars were made available at the meeting but were not discussed.

22.232 Date of next Parish Council Meeting 16th January 2023 at 7.00pm in Buckland Village Hall.

22.233 Confidential Item: *To resolve that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and press be excluded from the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be conducted.*

Grass Keep, Primrose Copse and Allotment

Meeting concluded at: 20.37

Signed:

Chairman:

Date: