# Minutes of the meeting of the Bucknell Parish Council held on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Councillors present	Cllr Alexander Bowden (AB)[Acting chair]
	Cllr Derek Hedges (DH)
	Cllr Richard Johnson (RJ)
	Cllr James Alcock (JA)
	Cllr Mrs Emma Evans-Roberts (EER)
County/District Councillors	Cllr Barry Wood - CDC
present	
	Cllr Donna Ford - OCC
Members of the public present	1 member of the public

# 05.24.01 Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received from Cllr Chris Wells & Cllr Emma Evans-Roberts

### 05.24.02 Requests for Dispensations, Declarations of Interest, Gifts and Hospitality

- Cllr Hedges as a riparian owner and owner of Playing Field Lane and Trustee of Playing Field and Village Hall charities
- Cllr Alcock as tenant of the old Playing Field land
- Cllr Wells as Treasurer of the Playing Field Association
- Cllr Alexander Bowden as Riperian ownership and neighbour of Trigger Pond pub and Stans Land. Also as neighbour to the OPF and owner of its boundary wall.

# 05.24.03 Public Participation

The member of the public wished to join discussions regarding Hawkwell and requested sight of the results to the FoI request to CDC. **AB to discuss with Chris Wells.** 

#### 05.24.04 Councillor vacancy

No update

#### 05.24.04 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2024 were checked for accuracy and content.

Cllr Alcock questioned the description of what had been revalued and it was agreed that the minutes would be re-worded to omit the valuation figure.

#### 05.24.05 **Councillor Vacancies** – not required as a standing agenda item.

### 05.24.06 Communication

An email had been received from a resident regarding the speed limit on Ardley Road. The Clerk had acknowledged receipt of the email and will inform the

resident that a meeting is to be arranged with Highways to further discuss.

# 05.24.07 Reports from District and County Councillors

C/Cllr Donna Ford reported that Bucknell is being proposed to move into the Ploughly Ward. Banbury Road roundabout – Cllr Ford is fighting against the design of the roundabout. The signage has made a significant difference. There is a proposal to allow cyclists in Sheep Street, Bicester which is going out to consultation. Town centre regeneration is on-going with reductions in business rates to encourage businesses to relocate to Market Square, there are plans for apartments to be above the shops in the centre of the town. The land behind the mutli storey car park is being leased to the town council to provide a footway from Bicester Village. Kathryn Gash has replaced Dave Catlin on Highways - send info to Donna. Arrange meeting to discuss S106 money

Cllr Barry Wood - Great Wolf Water Park has been stopped because the company have opened a park in Basingstoke and Thames Water have also indicated that they cannot supply the water required. Electricity is in short supply and providers cannot supply enough power. Developers buy electricity options in advance of developments being built. Thames Valley Police did not do this in advance of building their Forensics development in Bicester and now does not have enough electricity to power the building

#### 05.24.08 **Village Matters**:

**Thames Water and village flood water** – Donna will chase the storm water diversion ditch on Bainton Road.

Ardley Incinerator – It is believed that incinerator bottom ash is being handled in the open air. DH encouraged all councillors to attend open days,

Valencia – Ardley Landfill – It is believed Valencia are responsible for the sewage issues in Bucknell.

Hawkswell – discussed under Public Participation

#### 05.24.08 Old Playing Field Lease

AB to arrange a Zoom meeting to discuss further actions

# 05.24.09 To discuss the purchase and siting of 'Tommy' silhouette

It was agreed that the purchase of a silhouette is not necessary as the church do not wish it to be sited in church grounds, and no other site has been identified,

# 05.24.10 **Finance**

The payment schedule was approved.

Date	Description	Payee		amount	Notes
10/04/2024	Precept	CDC	Credit	3695.5	
22/04/2024	VAT reclaim	HMRC	Credit	129.67	
	grascutting	Primrose Landscapes	debit	72	paid 2/4/24
	Clerk salary	Clk sal Apr	debit	200.05	paid S/O 22/4
	TP Jones	payroll	debit	62.38	paid 2/4/24
	Insurance	Zurich Insurance	debit	241	
	dog bins	CDC	debit	66.92	
	Reimbursement - Wheely bin stickers	Chris Wells	debit	399.98	
	reimbursement - Hawkwell web domain	Chris Wells	debit	126.5	
				1168.83	

Financial position year to date was received and approved

The audited End of Year Accounts were approved and signed.

The Certificate of Exemption was approved and signed

The Annual Governance Statement was approved and signed.

The Annual Accounting Statement was approved and signed

# 05.24.11 Planning

24/00978/F The Granary, Ardley Road - no comments to be submitted

**Items for information or next** Agenda only – all items for the next agenda to be submitted to Bucknell.clerk@gmail.com by 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024.

Date of next meetings	-second Monday of alternate months at 7.30pm, in Bucknet	el
Village Hall		
8 July, 9 Sept, 11 Nove	ember.	

Signed	. Dated
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# ACTION SUMMARY LIST

No	Action	Owner	Update
May 24.01	Fol request to CDC - AB to discuss results with Chris Wells, which the member of the public present had requested	AB	
May 24.02	Communication re speeding - Clerk will in form resident that a meeting is being arranged with Highways to discuss speeding issues	CF	completed
May 24.03	Clerk to arrange meeting with Kathryn Gash (OCC Highways)	CF	in hand
May 24.04	Old Playing Field Lease – AB to arrange Zoom meeting to discuss	AB	