

BURTON OVERY ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD – Tuesday 14.05.24 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllr Bob Warwick (Chair)
Cllr Sarah Rankine
Cllr Dave Fletcher
Cllr Bob Pain

The Parish Council Clerk and six members of the public.

Cllr Warwick welcomed other parish councillors and the members of the public to the meeting.

The meeting considered the Minutes of the Parish Meeting held on 16th May 2023 and approved these.

The Chair presented details of the annual report he had prepared.

Questions were raised during the open forum regarding the following matters – Biodiversity in the village and the work being promoted by the parish council on the ecology of ponds around the village. The chair outlined the correspondence with the church authorities in relation to the pond on the Glebe Field to the north of the village hall and the reluctance of the church to allow the parish council to carry out preservation works. Members of the public suggested other ponds around the village which might lend themselves to biodiversity preservation works.

The review of the Neighbourhood Plan was the subject of discussion with the chair outlining the work which was being undertaken on updating the evidence base for the Plan in terms of housing needs and the work which was being undertaken by external consultants (funded by grant aid) on the development of a Design Guide for the village which would be available to inform future planning applications.

The chair also advised the meeting that any proposed changes to the Neighbourhood Plan would be subject to public consultation with the whole of the village in the Autumn of 2024 and also subject to a formal village referendum in early 2025.

The meeting closed at 7.40pm.