

# Minutes of Bow Brickhill Parish Council Annual General Meeting held on 8 July 2025 at 7.00pm at the Pavilion, Rushmere Close, Bow Brickhill, MK17 9JB

PRESENT: Cllrs: Cllr P Ball (Chair)

Cllr S Pangala

Cllr M Ferguson-Ford

Vacant

Officer: J Godden

Members of Public (MoP): five

**Apologies:** Cllr C Evans (Vice Chair)

Ward Cllr T Bailey

#### 22. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

A MoP reported on the items below:

#### **Road Surface Treatment**

- Church Road has been surface treated
- The meaning of "surface treatment" is to be clarified by Ward Cllr Hopkins
- Ward Cllr Hopkins came to inspect the area to ensure repairs are not poor quality or inappropriate

# **Sewage and Surface Water**

- Undersized sewer pipes in the village Anglian Water are aware as this has been an ongoing issue for over 20 years
- Pipes also carry surface water, leading to overload during storms
- Current fixes (root cutting, tree removal) are inadequate; a full replacement is required
- Complaints have been received from 2 residents of:
  - o sewage ingress into home
  - o driveway subsidence

# **Woburn Sands Futures Group**

- This is Chaired by Mike Geddes activities currently paused due to bereavement
- Next stage of local plan to be announced 23 July 2025
- Next meeting likely mid-late August to discuss East West Rail, Universal theme park, and related topics

# **Paddocks Lane Development**

- Concerns were raised over the piecemeal development and lack of infrastructure planning
- A mention in MK Business has led to a potential seminar on the planning process

#### 23. SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Ball declared a non-pecuniary interest as trustee of the board of Willen Hospice Councillor Ball declared a non-pecuniary interest as Chair and Secretary of Friends of Bow Brickhill Station.

#### 24. MINUTES

To consider the approval of the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 13 May 2025.

Resolved: all members confirmed their approval of the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 13 May 2025 and these were signed by the Chairman.

#### 25. FINANCE

- a) Income and expenditure reports for May & June noted
- b) Balance in accounts as of 30/06/25 = £47,738.09 noted
- c) LGPS Employer Discretions Policy

Resolved: all members confirmed their approval of the LGPS Employer Discretions Policy

#### **26. WARD CLLR REPORTS**

#### As attached and below:

- Attended woodland event (25 June)
- Flooding: advocating reformation of Surface Water Management Group to improve inter-agency coordination
- A5 roadworks are ongoing
- Landfill Communities Fund available (£2k–£200k) parish is eligible.
- East West Rail statutory consultation may be cancelled to expedite Bletchley

  –Bedford section for Universal Studios project (2030–31 opening target)
- Speculation of a new town north of MK (Hanslope/Steppingley, 40–60k houses)
- MK Plan 2050 consultation Sept—Oct 2025; includes local expansion sites
- MK Council considering directly elected mayor role (possible election 2027)

# **27. PLANNING NOTIFICATIONS**

#### a) PLN/2025/1023

Application type: Advertisement consent

Site address: Unit 4, PLP MK Logistics Park, Brickhill Road, Bow Brickhill, MK17 9LG

Description: Advertisement Consent for the display of 2no. internally illuminated free-standing

totems and 3no. internal halo-illuminated building signs

Status: Decision Made

**Decision: Approved with Conditions** 

BBPC objected to consent the illuminated signs which are out of character with the Huel building

# b) PLN/2025/1024

Application type: Advertisement consent

Site address; Unit 4, PLP MK Logistics Park, Brickhill Road, Bow Brickhill, MK17 9LG

Description: Advertisement Consent for the display of 2no. non-illuminated free-standing totems

and 3no. non-illuminated building signs

Status: Decision Made

**Decision: Approved with Conditions** 

# c) PLN/2025/1048

Application type: Householder planning permission

Site address: 11 DOWNS VIEW, BOW BRICKHILL, MILTON KEYNES, MK17 9JS

Description: Proposed two storey rear extension, removal of chimneys, part garage conversion and alterations including rendering house and changing windows. Removal of front garden (including wall and pier) to widen the driveway and dropped kerb

Status: Under Consultation

A member of the public requested an access agreement for the proposed works, citing concerns regarding the absence of foundations on houses along the road, the shallow position of drains (hence the restriction on heavy vehicles on Church Road), along with the narrow width of the roadway.

# d) PLN/2025/1167

Application type: Approval of details reserved by a condition

Site address: Land To The East of Tilbrook Farm, Station Road, Bow Brickhill

Description: Approval of details required by condition 9 (Boundary Treatments) of permission ref.

24/01027/FULM Status: Under Consultation

### e) PLN/2025/1185

Application type: Householder planning permission

Site address: 4 STATION ROAD, BOW BRICKHILL, MILTON KEYNES, MK17 9JW

Description: Demolition of the existing detached garage and the erection of a two-storey side extension with front hip roof and rooflights. Alterations to the front roof. Expansion of driveway to the front

Status: Under Consultation

#### f) PLN/2025/1291

Application type: Approval of details reserved by a condition

Site address: Land At Brickhill Street, South Caldecotte, Milton Keynes, MK17 9FE

Description: Approval of details required by condition 5 (Parking) of permission ref. 21/01636/REM Status: Under Consultation

# g) PLN/2025/1349

Application type: Householder planning permission

Site address: DRAKEWELL MANOR, DRAKEWELL ROAD, BOW BRICKHILL, MILTON KEYNES, MK17 9LF Description: Demolition of existing single storey rear extension and erection of a new part single, part storey rear/side extension with a loft conversion, new entrance canopy, new balconies to the rear and an extended bay window to the front, new chimney and the conversion of the first floor of the existing garage to a gym with new external staircase and associated works Status: Under Consultation

No objections were made to the above planning applications

#### 28. MARSTON VALE TRAIN SERVICE

Covered by Ward Cllr Hopkins report as attached

#### 29. SEMK/NEIGHBOURHOOD FUTURES GROUP

This has been on hold, the next meeting likely mid-late August to discuss East West Rail, Universal theme park, and related topics

# **30. EAST WEST RAIL CONSULTATION**

Covered by Ward Cllr Hopkins report as attached

# **31. PAVILION 2050**

Progress is slow due to funding gaps, a meeting with Paul van Gete has resulted in a possible £3,000 contribution from MKCC (£1,500 each for QS and CMI), which will allow the completion of applications and final determination of cost.

#### 32. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Request from Romanian Orthodox church use the Pavilion car park Easter 2026
   Resolved: all Cllrs agreed for the Romanian Orthodox Church use of the Pavilion Car Park Easter 2026
- **b)** Complaint from resident re parking at the pub
  - **Resolved:** this was discussed at the Community Engagement meeting and a mini guide re parking enforcement from MKCC was sent to the complainant via email and it was put on Facebook
- c) Residents request for a free sharing library **Resolved:** This matter was discussed at the Community Engagement Meeting. Permission is granted for it to be placed on the Pavilion grounds, with the proviso that all associated costs and ongoing maintenance are the responsibility of the organisers.
- d) New premise licence in PLP Business Park **Resolved:** no objections as it is a warehouse storing alcohol
- e) BBSSC stating their FoI request has not been fulfilled: **Resolved:** BBPC have replied that we have responded in full to their FOI request by supplying them with all the recorded information that is available
- f) Various emails from resident regarding drainage problems in BB: **Resolved:** Ward Cllrs have taken this up with MKCC
- g) Policy Number YLL-122007-1553 Potential Claim from Resident Zurich Reference: 12252120567 & residents reply c/f from May meeting: **Resolved**; no further action from BBPC insurers

### 33. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE FUND (CIF)

- a) BBPC to choose a supplier (NB prices may have risen slightly due to the length of time since they were obtained):
  - I. £3315.00
  - II. £4505.31
  - III. £3300.00

**Resolved:** All Clirs agreed to using supplier III as they are the cheapest option, Clerk to contact them and get the new SID installed.

b) Clirs to advise if they have any projects to bid for in 2026/27, closing date is end of August 2025. **Resolved:** Clirs will take another look at the fund and will contact members and the clerk via email if they have any items they wish to put forward

#### 34. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

No matters arising

# 35. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is on Tuesday 9 September 2025 at 7.00pm at Bow Brickhill Pavilion.