



BLEDLOW-CUM-SAUNDERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held in Bledlow Village Hall on
Wednesday 3rd May 2017 at 7.30pm

Present: Councillors S Bird, M Blackwell, S Breese, J Butler, P Castle, N Cox, A Lord,
S Reading and A Sage;
Clerk: Jocelyn Cay

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from County and District Councillor Carl Etholen.

2. Election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council

2.1. As current chairman, Cllr Breese led proceedings. Prior to the election Cllr Breese explained that he had been chairman for 5 years and that he would be happy to stand down or to continue for one final year whilst a successor perhaps held the role of Vice-Chair in preparation for becoming Chair next year.

2.2. Cllr Breese asked for nominations for Chairman. Cllr Cox nominated Cllr Reading, seconded by Cllr Blackwell. Cllr Castle nominated Cllr Breese, seconded by Cllr Lord. Cllr Butler nominated Cllr Lord, seconded by Cllr Breese. A vote was taken with the results as follows: Cllr Reading 4 votes, Cllr Breese 2 votes, Cllr Lord 3 votes. Cllr Reading was therefore declared Chairman.

Cllr Reading then completed an acceptance of office form, witnessed by the clerk.

2.3. Cllr Reading asked for nominations for Vice-Chairman. Cllr Castle nominated Cllr Breese, seconded by Cllr Lord. Cllr Bird nominated Cllr Lord, seconded by Cllr Breese. A vote was taken with the results as follows: Cllr Breese 6 votes, Cllr Lord 3 votes. Cllr Breese was therefore declared Vice-Chairman.

3. Review of committees, sub-committees and working groups

The chairman asked the councillors who would be willing to be representatives for the various committees and groups with the results as follows:

Wycombe District Association of Local Councils (WDALC) – Cllrs Sage and Lord
Local Area Forum (LAF) – Cllr Reading
Bledlow Ridge Village Hall Committee – Cllr Butler
Bledlow Village Hall Committee – Cllr Bird
Bledlow Consolidated Charities – Cllr Castle
Meadow Styles – Cllr Sage
Broadband – Cllr Reading
Footpaths – Cllr Butler
Neighbourhood Plan – Cllrs Breese, Sage and Castle
Rural Forum – Cllr Cox

The clerk agreed to investigate the requirements of the WDALC including how many councillors the council need to nominate as representatives and how many meetings are held each year.

Action: Clerk

4. Confirmation of arrangements for insurance cover in respect of all insured risks

The clerk confirmed that insurance was in place.

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5. **Determination of the time and place of meetings for the next year**

It was confirmed that all meetings for the following year will continue to be held on the first Thursday of each month at 7.30pm with the venue alternating between Bledlow Village Hall and Bledlow Ridge Village Hall. The Annual Parish Meeting will continue to alternate venues annually as per the parish council's custom.

6. **Close**

The meeting was closed at 8.00pm.

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