

# **BUCKLAND DINHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held at 7.30pm on Thursday 26 May 2016 in the Village Hall, Buckland Dinham**

### **Present :**

Councillors Tamsin Aston, Peter Corbett, Alan King, John Reckless, Simon Andrews, Viv Street, Ms Pauline Short parish clerk; 16 members of the public

**Apologies :** Councillor Will Phippen

**Minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting, 14 May 2015 :** Minutes were agreed and signed

### **Introduction by Councillor Tamsin Aston, Chair of the Parish Council:**

Cllr Aston welcomed everyone and gave a brief outline of the council's activities since the last Annual Parish Meeting.

### **Presentation by Cllrs John Reckless and Alan King on the results of last year's survey:**

Cllr Reckless explained that the survey that had been made last year to get residents opinions for the response, prepared by the council, in answer to Mendip District Councils consultation on the Mendip District Plan part 2. This was with the aim of setting priorities for planning in the future. The presentation covered the aspects of the village that were most valued and the areas that caused most problems. Full copies of the results were also available for those who wished to see all the detail

**Buckland Broadband Ltd:** A new company, Buckland Broadband Ltd, had been set up by a group of residents keen to try to improve the abysmal broadband service in the village. Alex Chedgy, one of the company group, described the plans for, and benefits of, this new initiative and answered numerous questions on things such as cost, masts, receivers, wiring between houses needed, and the requirements for listed buildings

**Open Forum:** Cllr Aston then chaired an open forum for those present. Questions and comments raised included:-

The possibility of adding gravel to improve the surface of Clareham Lane

The nearly blocked footpath at the "allotments" behind Rogers close

The need to repair a footpath signpost by the church

Dissatisfaction with people leaving waste bins on the pavement outside of waste collection times

Meeting closed at 8.20pm