

## Minutes of the Bicester Town Council

A meeting of the **Bicester Town Council** was held on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July June 2025** on **The Rise of the Planning Committee Meeting** in the **Chamber Room, Bicester Town Council, The Garth, Launton Road, Bicester, Oxon OX26 6PS.**

### Present:

Cllr Paul Wheatley (Chair)  
Cllr Tom Beckett  
Cllr Donna Ford  
Cllr Dan Hallett  
Cllr Damien Maguire  
Cllr Chris Pruden  
Cllr Jim Webb  
Cllr John Willett

### In Attendance:

Paul Canning, Deputy Town Clerk  
Maria Galic, Civic and Democratic

### 38/ Apologies for Absence

**2526 RESOLVED** that Apologies were received from Councillors Harry Knight, Rachel Mallows, Nick Mawer, Alisa Russell, and Les Sibley.

### 39/ Declarations of Interests

**2526 RESOLVED** that no declarations of interest were received.

### 40/ Annual Governance Statement (AGAR Section 1) Report

**2526 RESOLVED** that Council **APPROVED** the Annual Governance (AGAR Section 1) Report. The Reports were **RECOMMENDED** for presentation at Full Council for **APPROVAL**. Councillors also raised the following points and questions:

- Absence of the Chair
- Suggested this meeting should only be approved with the Chair's consent and would like to ask if this procedure was followed
- Questions over the purpose of the Meeting Calendar if meeting dates can be overridden by Officers
- RFO appointment to be included in the next Full Council meeting

### 41/ Annual Governance Statement (AGAR Pt 2) Report

**2526 RESOLVED** that Council **APPROVED** the Annual Governance (AGAR Pt 2) Report.

### 42/ Internal Auditor Report

**2526 RESOLVED** that Council **NOTED** the Auditor Report. Councillors also raised the following points and questions:

- Should the Report redact names
- To ensure all future meeting Agendas are published on time

### 43/ Date of Next Meeting

**2526 Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2025 - 7pm, The Chambers, Garth House**

CLOSE OF MEETING:  
20:00hrs