

Burnham Secondary School Update 31st October 2022

This document/web page provides residents and councillors with the status of the activities of the Burnham Parish Council working group and its activities to hopefully get a non-selective secondary school established on what was the E-Act Burnham Park Academy site.

- Please refer to previous Updates given – details are not repeated here.
- Our findings show that a lot of parents are simply not aware of how the application process works for secondary school. A lot of assumptions are made, they are genuinely surprised when they are told they have to pay for transport to Maidenhead as those schools are out of our County. We have found, the attitude by a lot of primary school parents is that we will find out when we have to – later, not now. It is a shame as due to living in Burnham, most parents will NOT get their first choice school as we are out of catchment for most schools in Maidenhead now, due to the increase in numbers living in Maidenhead. Is it our responsibility to make them aware?
- We put an enquiry into Bucks Council on how much money they were earning with Netflix filming at the school site – the response said the site cost more in security and basic maintenance than the money earned from Netflix.
- Parish Council Chairman has written to the Leader of Bucks Council Martin Tett inviting him and members of his education dept to visit us and see first-hand the problem, still awaiting a response after 4 weeks in September – responded with a similar letter that we see repeatedly for the past year with identical facts and figures justifying from their point of view no school is needed.
- The letter of complaint sent to the complaints dept at Bucks Council finally acknowledged and response said there is no case to answer.
- Please read the information given on the Burnham Parish Council website-Projects-New School.. (<https://burnhamparish.gov.uk/newschoolinburnham>)

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