

Minutes of meeting held on 12 December 2022 in Millennium Hall, Marsworth at 8.00 pm

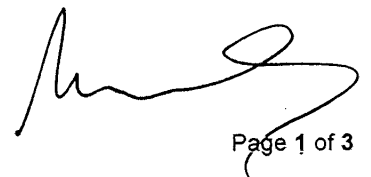
- 22/12/01 **Present:** Cllrs R Kennedy (RK) (Chair), R Brown (RB), D Cornwall (DC), G Monks (GM), K Thomasson (KT), J Woodruffe (JW) and Clerk to Parish Caroline Smith
Apologies: C King -family bereavement. The Parish Council expressed its sincere condolences to Christine King.
Others Present: Buckinghamshire Councillor Derek Town
- 22/12/02 **Declarations of Interest:** None
- 22/12/03 **Public Participation:**
- 22/12/04 **Questions for – and Update from – Buckinghamshire Councillors.**
- The White Lion – the planning decision was delayed until after the SAC Chiltern Beechwoods Mitigation Strategy for Ashridge Commons and Woods was determined at the end of January 2023.
 - Freight Strategy update – signage awaited
- 22/12/05 **Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 14 November 2022.** It was resolved that the draft minutes were a true and accurate record and the Chairman was duly authorised to sign them on behalf of the Council.
- 22/12/06 **Clerk's Report: This section provides updates on on-going issues. Resolutions cannot be passed on items in this section.**
- 2 large Pot holes in Watery Lane.** Reported (*Ref TfB379655391 (18 Nov 21)*)
 - Gutters and pavements in Lower End.** TfB to organise for vegetation to be edged out along pathway (*Nov 21*) TfB obtaining a quote from a sub-contractor to carry out some clearance both on the footway and carriageway. (*5 Sep 22*).
 - Failure of footpath at Lower End towards Marsworth Airfield** -The total length of footway between the airfield and the entrance to Aspens Farm is about 130 metres which is outside the scope of routine maintenance and would be added to similar schemes to be considered when capital funding was made available for footway surfacing / reconstruction full repair.
 - Faded 30mph sign and 30 mph sign hidden in bushes leading from Pitstone to Marsworth – TfB had written to the landowner re hedges and TfB would order a replacement for the faded sign (*12 August 2022*).** Signs now ordered.
 - Bridge Weight Restriction obscured at Red Lion Bridge.** TfB had contacted the relevant landowners requesting necessary maintenance be carried out in accordance with the Highways Act 1980. (*31 Aug 22*)
 - Garages to be Replaced at The Crescent.** The replacement of the 6 garages will now take place in 2023/24. Clerk to follow this up in the new financial year.
 - Lower Icknield Way street name plate fallen opposite Village Hall.** Reported 9 Nov 22 Ref 3951828. Works to be completed by 21 December.
 - Storage Bin Area near Red Lion Bridge.** Community Board to look at liaising with College Lake and other partners to make the area more presentable as this had been found to deter fly-tipping.
 - Avian Flu and the Collection and Identification of Dead Wild Birds – on-going.**
- 22/12/07 **Village Hall Committee Report.** Nothing of note to report.
- 22/12/08 **Planning:**
- Plans for consideration – To consider planning policies, applications and appeals received and resolve to submit comments where appropriate. –**
22/03841/APP The Old Manor Church Lane Marsworth HP23 4LX
The residential conversion of a Grade II listed thatched barn & associated alterations to access and parking arrangements and the provision of detached carports (Amendment to permission 22/00970/APP). App 17 Nov. **MPC no objection.**

22/03842/ALB The Old Manor Church Lane Marsworth HP23 4LX
Listed building application for the residential conversion of a Grade II listed thatched barn & associated alterations to access and parking arrangements and the provision of detached carports (Amendment to permission 22/01181/ALB). App 17 Nov. **MPC no objection.**

22/03757/APP -Compound 23A Old Airfield Industrial Estate Cheddington Lane Marsworth HP23 4QR
Erection of ancillary building. App 28 Nov 22. **MPC No objection.**
 - Decisions awaited:**
21/00383/APP - Former White Lion PH Startups End Lower Icknield Way, Marsworth, HP23 4LJ
Conversion of former public house into two dwellings. App Feb 21

22/01948/APP - 53 Lower Icknield Way Marsworth. HP23 4LW
Householder application for Proposed loft conversion. App 27 May 22.

21/03229/FUL Startup Farm, Long Barn Lower Icknield Way Marsworth Tring Hertfordshire HP23 4LL
Redevelopment of the existing farm complex to enable two replacement farm buildings to be constructed with hard standing, parking areas and new access. Demolition of the existing farm, commercial, and equestrian buildings, and existing single storey bungalow. Construction of 9no dwellings and associated works including parking provision and access. App 19 Aug 21. Appeal to Secretary of State against the Council's failure to give notice of its decision within the appropriate period.



21/04688/AOP Outline application (all matters reserved except means of access) for residential development of up to 91 dwellings including the creation of new vehicular access, public open space, landscape planting, surface water attenuation and associated infrastructure following demolition of the existing property Church Hill Farm | Church Hill Farmhouse Station Road Cheddington Buckinghamshire LU7 0SG. App 7 Dec 21.

22/01187/MOA Marshcroft Development - Dacorum Local Plan (2020-2038) Strategy for Growth . Hybrid application (with access details of two main access points from Bulbourne Road and Station road in full and the main development on the rest of the site in outline with all matters reserved) for the demolition of all existing buildings on the site and the development of up to 1,400 dwellings (including up to 140 use class C2 dwellings); a new local centre and sports /community hub, primary school, secondary school, and public open spaces including creation of a suitable alternative natural green space.– App 9 Apr 22. **Refused 10 Oct 22. Developer has appealed against Dacorum's rejection of its planning application.**

22/01678/MOA Dacorum and 22/02189/AOP Buckinghamshire. Land at Former Marsworth Airfield. Outline Planning permission for demolition of existing buildings, structures and hardstanding to enable the erection of up to 320 residential (Use Class C3), a primary school, a local centre comprising community facilities (Use Class F2) and a rural enterprise hub (Use Class E) together with a transport mobility hub, public open space, drainage, landscaping and ancillary infrastructure. New vehicular and pedestrian access off Long Marston Road with all other matters (including other means of access) reserved. **MPC objected. Over 200 objections. Application withdrawn. It would appear that the developers, Ainscough Land Securities, will be submitting a new planning application in 2023.**

c) Permission Approved/refused:

22/02472/APP - 4 Stepnells Marsworth Buckinghamshire HP23 4NQ

Housholder application for two storey side and single storey rear extension (amendment to approval 21/01966/APP). App 1 Aug. **Approved 21 November 22.**

22/12/09 **Police:** Police report not received.

22/12/10 **Streets, Footpaths and Recreation Ground**

a) **Recreation Ground:** Equipment inspection by JW reported the football nets were again sagging - RK to repair. KT to report at January meeting.

22/12/11 **Items for Information/Discussion**

a) **Insurance** – SID is now insured at a cost of £30 per annum

b) **MVAS Readings** Chairman update attached. This would also be published in Marsworth News and the website. It was agreed that the MVAS should be shared with Cheddington. Clerk to make arrangements.

c) **Community Garden in Marsworth** Lisa Tervit currently ascertaining from residents if there is an appetite for this. Lisa was putting an article in the February edition of Marsworth News. MPC would discuss this further once feedback was received following the article.

d) **Community Board.** The clerk had met with Katrina Hollyoake of the Community Board and discussed funding opportunities within the village. Residents could apply direct to the Community Board for funding of community projects, but it was asked that residents notified the clerk of any applications. DC to contact the Community Board in relation to the possibility of a new industrial standard oven for the village hall kitchen and the possibility of battery storage for the solar panel at the village hall. DC to discuss at the Village Hall Committee on 14 Dec. Funding still available, but all requests/forms to be completed and submitted to the Community Board by 31 January 2023.

e) **White Lion Graffiti issue** discussed.

f) **Coronation of King Charles on Saturday 6 May with the Bank Holiday on Monday 8 May.** Clerk to put notice in Marsworth News asking if any residents or groups were interested in organising anything. MPC agreed it would offer its support where appropriate.

22/12/12 **Finance:**

a) **Monthly Finance status** as at 30 November 2022 reviewed.

b) **The budget for 2023/24** was discussed and it was **resolved** that the Parish Precept for 2023/24 would be increased by 5.05% to £19,750 per annum. Clerk to send documentation to Buckinghamshire Council. Revised budget to be submitted to MPC for next meeting.

Current a/c:			£0.00
Business Reserve a/c:			£28,941.54
Cheques agreed and distributed			
Cheque 1842	Denise Cornwall	£20.00	
Cheque 1844	HMRC November	£91.80	
Cheque 1845	Mrs C A Smith November (+ salary increase backpay)	£407.25	
Cheque 1846	DWD Contractors (2 cuts in November)	£240	
Direct Debit payments:			
	SSE for Nov 2022 unmetered street lighting	£112.31	
	Ionos	£8.40	

22/12/13 **To Consider Meeting Dates and Inspection Report responsibilities & dates for 2023**

The following was agreed.

Meeting Dates 2023

8pm Mondays unless otherwise stated

9 January

13 February

13 March

3 April (as 10 April Easter Monday)

Inc Annual Parish Meeting at 7pm

Inspection Report on Rec Ground

KT to report at January meeting

RK to report at February meeting

RB to report at March meeting

DC to report at April meeting

Wed 3 May
Inc Annual Meeting of Council at 7.45 pm
12 June
10 July
14 August
11 September
9 October
13 November
11 December

CK to report at May meeting
GM to report at June meeting
JW to report at July meeting
KT to report at August meeting
RK to report at September meeting
RB to report at October meeting
DC to report at November meeting
CK to report at December meeting

22/11/14 **Agenda items for next meeting from Public Participation, Clerk's Report and Requested by Councillors.**
Finalise budget for 2023/24

22/11/15 **Date of next Meeting:**

Monday 9 January 2023 at 8.00 pm in the Marsworth Millennium Hall.

On Monday 9 January at 7.00 pm in the Marsworth Millennium Hall, Lee Turnham, the Community Speedwatch Co-ordinator, Joint Operations Unit (Road Safety) will be coming along to explain to residents how to set up a Community Speed Watch initiative in Marsworth and what it will involve. All welcome. Please let Parish Clerk know if you will be attending.

Marsworth Speed Radar Check 2022

In response to the recent petition regarding speeding I can now report results from the latest MVAS radar speed checker exercise carried out on Lower Icknield Way. We borrowed the unit from Cheddington and will continue to use it periodically. This check ran from early afternoon 13th November to mid-afternoon 12th December with the sign being turned around halfway through. 76407 vehicle movements were logged.

Annualised traffic volumes are up to 958,000 from 907,000 back in 2020, but still down on the previous high of 1,050,000 pre-covid.

The average speed recorded was 25.9mph (2020 26.7mph). Uphill averaged 26.0mph and downhill 25.8mph.

78.1% of traffic moved under 30mph (2020 67.9%) a more than 10% improvement

95.5% of traffic moved under 35mph (2020 89.7%) a 6% improvement

99% of traffic moved under 40mph (2020 97.2%) a 2% improvement.

6 vehicles exceeded 60mph with 1 doing over 80mph (2020 had 32 exceeding 60 mph and 1 80mph).

Nigh time average speeds were highest between 5 and 6am at 31mph. 7am to 7pm average speed was 25.7mph.

An average of 2 vehicles an hour exceeded 35mph, and 9 vehicles a day exceeded 40mph.

I have yet to compare statistics between the SID device and the more accurate MVAS but the implication is that the SID has reduced speeding measurably and the investment has been worthwhile.

It must be recognised that vehicles with number plates which are foreign, Channel Islands, false, stolen, obscured deliberately by an anti-camera masking device, or which are motorcycles (number plate faces sideways) cannot be caught using speed cameras since DVLA cannot trace them. It is estimated that 2% of vehicles are in this category and their drivers know of their impunity.

Bob Kennedy

Chairman, Marsworth Parish Council