

Minutes of meeting held on 11 December 2023 in Millennium Hall, Marsworth at 8.00 pm

- 23/12/01 Present:** Cllrs R Kennedy (RK) (Chairman), R Brown (RB), D Cornwall (DC), C King (CK), Robert John (RJ) from Min 23/12/13; S Smith (SGS) and Clerk to Parish Caroline Smith
Apologies: Giles Monks (previous engagement)
Others Present: Buckinghamshire Councillor Derek Town
- 23/12/02 Declarations of Interest:** Planning: Bluebells Field is adjacent to CK property.
- 23/12/03 Public Participation:** None
- 23/12/04 Questions for – and Update from – Buckinghamshire Councillors.** The monthly opportunity for members of the public to put questions to Buckinghamshire Councillors, and for those Councillors to provide updates to the Parish Council and public, including:
- a) **Marsworth Airfield planning application.** Natural England has objected.
 - b) **SAC – Buckinghamshire Determination – outstanding.**
 - c) **Greenfield v Brownfield –**The Planning Team Leader at Buckinghamshire Council (BC) has passed the letter from MPC seeking clarification to Michael Glasgow, the Planning Officer, and asked him to consider it as a representation and to do the necessary research. MPC has requested that the status of the land needed to be established so that even if the Ainscough application was refused, the status would be in place for the future. Peter Brazier following this up.
 - d) **The White Lion –** planning application awaiting SAC determination.
 - e) **Aylesbury Truck Hire (ATH) at Marsworth Airfield –**Buckinghamshire Council had confirmed that the building is being used unlawfully and they have made ATH aware.
- 23/12/05 Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 13 November 2023.** 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.
- 23/12/06 Clerk's Report: This section provides updates on on-going issues. Resolutions cannot be passed on items in this section.**
- a) **2 large Pot-holes in Watery Lane.** Reported (Ref TfB379655391 (18 Nov 21). Buckinghamshire Highways have this on their list and will notify MPC when repaired 31 Aug 23.
 - b) **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.
 - c) **Lower End Pathway needs clearing.** Drains also blocked by debris. Reported 4944281 31 Aug 23. An inspection has been made by Buckinghamshire Highways and added to a package of works for this location and will be addressed when next in the area. 12 Sep 23.
 - d) **Ship Lane junction by Red Lion Bridge** pot holes reported 13 Jan 23 TfB478423016. Buckinghamshire Highways have this on their list and will notify MPC when repaired 31 Aug 23.
 - e) **Church lane junction with Vicarage Road** and by 'Townfield' potholes where road is failing – reported 13 Jan 23 TfB478424423. Repaired Nov 23.
 - f) **Vicarage Road leading from Church down to Red Lion pub.** Road failing. Reported 13 Jan 23 TfB478424787. Repaired Nov 23.
 - g) **Flooding issue on White Lion Bridge -** water not draining into gully. Reported 15 Jan 23. TfB478646014. No longer on FixMyStreet. Reported again 4944359 on 31 Aug 23. Clerk requested gully clean 8 Nov 23.
 - h) **Lukes Lea and Vicarage Road Junction pothole.** Reported 4944484 31 Aug 23. Buckinghamshire Highways response: whilst priority defects will receive a repair within appropriate timescales as dictated by the above policy, more minor defects such as the defect you have reported may not be immediately scheduled for repair 4 Sep 23.
 - i) **Garages at The Crescent.** Works to replace garages due to start this year. Fairhive will advise shortly. Clerk chased 3 Oct 23.
 - j) **Community Garden –** awaiting permission from Buckinghamshire Council.
 - k) **Section 106 Funding** in the sum of £69,007 was received from British Waterways Repair Yard Bulbourne Road (16/01079/APP) on 29/07/2019 (has no commitment deadline and is held by Buckinghamshire Council) and is for the Recreation Ground only. MPC to consider looking at feasibility and costs to apply for a Deed of Variation and Clerk has spoken with Clerk at Cheddington. Clerk to contact British Waterways to garner their support and then to ascertain if agreement was with Buckinghamshire Council or Marsworth Parish Council. The 106 funding should be for the 'benefit of the village'.
 - l) **Rights of Way/Highway issue reported at Manor Farm** at Ship Lane from the Long Marston Road Junction - the junction and the entry gate to Manor Farm on way to cross step/stile MAR134 to join footpath MAR/6/2 that goes diagonally across the field (route to Church Farm Lane or Cheddington). Clerk has contacted Rights of Way re condition of stiles, inadequate signage and members of the public being turned away. Ref No 230968407. Rights of Way Officer progressing this. 18 Sep 23.
 - m) **Watery Lane – Dangerous Parking** (on corner by Anglers Retreat). Reported to Buckinghamshire Council 4 Oct 23. Ref 5060740. Councillor Brazier has spoken with Steve Broadbent the Cabinet Member for Transport at Buckinghamshire Council (BC). Ivinghoe Parish secured 50% of funding for yellow lines but cost was circa £18,000. The local PCSO is on long term sick. Our Neighbourhood Supervisor 2151 Dionne Edwards has asked if a list can be made to ascertain if there is a pattern of regular offenders. Clerk to write to the Watery Lane residents' contact.
 - n) **A dog waste bin** has been ordered for the entrance to the bridlepath along Lower Icknield Way at a cost of £347.52 to supply and install. Installation due December.

- o) **Caravan illegally parked at Startops Car Park.** CRT have set a legal process in motion 4 Dec 23. Caravan abandoned at 8 Dec 23.
- p) **Bench for Village Hall.** S106 - Marsworth Yard British Waterways Church Lane (10/01336/APP). Clerk to ascertain from Joe Houston at Buckinghamshire Council if MPC rather than the Village Hall can purchase this.
- q) **Recreation Ground Ruts** - quotes to be obtained from John Groom and DWD once ground has settled.
- r) **Recreation Ground Flooding** – The brook is flooding. Clerk has written to CRT who will send out a Reservoir Technician to inspect. Awaiting info. Chased 4 Dec 23.

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- a) **Replacement heating** - Possible funding available from Section 106 monies (16/01079 APP) if Deed of Variation agreed.
- b) **PAT testing** - outstanding
- c) **S106 - Marsworth Yard British Waterways Church Lane (10/01336/APP).** Section 106 funding has been agreed in the sum of £1,797.99 for a double single phase oven. Oven installed.
- d) **Gutters** – Now cleaned Nov 23.

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- a) **Plans for consideration** – To consider planning policies, applications and appeals received and resolve to submit comments where appropriate. – None.

b) Decisions awaited:

21/00383/APP - Former White Lion PH Startops End Lower Icknield Way, Marsworth, HP23 4LJ
Conversion of former public house into two dwellings. **Awaiting SAC determination. App Feb 21**

21/04688/AOP - Church Hill Farm | Church Hill Farmhouse Station Road Cheddington LU7 0SG 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. **App 7 Dec 21. Awaiting decision.**

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. Grovefields Residents' Association Statement:** Following the conclusion of the Inquiry, the Planning Inspector will write up his findings and his recommendation. This will go the Secretary of State at the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities who will make the decision on the case. Decision 15 January 2024.

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. Awaiting decision.**

23/01080/APP The Ship, Ship Lane, Marsworth Buckinghamshire HP23 4NA. App 3 Apr 23.
Householder application for garden room **MPC No objection. Awaiting decision.**

23/01594/AOP Buckinghamshire and 23/01254/OUT Dacorum - Marsworth Airfield South Site, Long Marston Road, Marsworth

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. The previous applications No 22/02189/AOP Buckinghamshire and 22/01678/MOA Dacorum were withdrawn last year by the developers.

App 24 May 23. Deadline 5 July 23 for Buckinghamshire and 7 July 23 for Dacorum. Determination deadline 23 August 23. Awaiting decision. Ainscough had requested an extension to 23 November 2023. Various mitigation documents had been submitted by Ainscough following their submission and Cllr Town confirmed these would NOT be taken into consideration.

RK has written to Councillor Sally Symington of Dacorum asking her to confirm Buckinghamshire Council will not be permitted by Dacorum to be the sole determinant on this application.

RK has written to MPS Mohindra Gagan and Greg Smith asking that Buckinghamshire Council not to be the sole determinant and that it should work with Dacorum and Mr Gagan, MP, has confirmed he has written to Dacorum urging them to work with Buckinghamshire Council. 29 Nov 23.

23/03173/APP | Mill House Watery Lane Marsworth Buckinghamshire HP23 4LY

Householder application for extension to outbuildings to form garage/study with dormer window. **App 12 Oct. Reply 29 Nov 23. MPC No objection.**

c) Permission Approved/refused:

23/02482/APP | **Bluebells Cottages** Lower End Marsworth .

RK has written to Rennie Grove urging that the property is not sold to a property developer who would seek to add additional housing, but to keep the area as Mrs O'Leary would have wanted. To date reply not received.

23/02928/APP The Kennels Church Lane Marsworth Buckinghamshire HP23 4LX

Amendment to approval 21/01952/APP - Annex building to be reconstructed. Alterations to fenestration and additional rear dormer. Householder application for demolition of existing garage and outbuilding. Erection of annex building ancillary to main house. Front side and rear extension, formation of new first floor and alterations to the main house. **App 29 Sep 23. Reply 1 Nov 23. MPC no input. Approved 16 Nov 23.**

d) Planning Breach:

Startups Haze, Marsworth. Following reports from residents, Councillor Brazier has reported a planning breach to Buckinghamshire Council. UPRN: 000766022967

An overbearing wooden fence has been erected around two properties in common ownership. Also the creation of a new vehicular access to a residential property from an agricultural entrance and potential change of use from agricultural to residential.

15/01690/APP which is for an agricultural building on the part of the property which clearly states the land is agricultural. The building does not appear to have been built as shown on the plans in the planning permission. 20/03761/APP is for the main dwelling and shows access via the private road off Church Lane, not via the agricultural entrance further down.

Following a 100-day notice being served the height of the fence has now been reduced and the planners are satisfied in relation to the fence.

23/12/09 **Police:** Police report for November not received.

23/12/10 **Streets, Footpaths and Recreation Ground**

- a) **Recreation Ground: Equipment inspection** – CK reported that one of the pieces of equipment needed lubrication and the goal post net had come off frame in the middle. RK to repair net and SGS to WD40 equipment where required. SGS to report at January meeting.
- b) **British Waterways Repair Yard Bulbourne Road (16/01079/APP) Section 106 money.** Clerk waiting to hear from Joe Houston to ascertain if 106 money can be used for: matting, open fencing, & additional 'whipping' hedgerow for the Rec.

23/12/11 **Items for Information/Discussion**

- a) **MPC's role in relation to contacting residents.** RK has sought clarification from BMKALK on whether it was permissible for Councillors to approach residents direct if there were issues, before reporting to Buckinghamshire Council. BMKALK had advised that Planning Enforcement is not dealt with at a Parish Council tier and it is beholden on the Parish Council to report the matter to the appropriate authority. RK to write to resident in relation to their complaint.
- b) **Pitstone Quarry restoration** drop-in session held on 28 November. SGS and Clerk had attended. First phase to be completed 18 months from planning consent. This development would form part of the SAC mitigation strategy.
- c) **Councillor Training:** SGS attended Planning demystified and RJ to attend Councillor Training zoom on 30 January (free January). CK to attend next Planning Demystified training.
- d) **Marsworth CoFE Infant School** Singalong Wed 13 December at 6.30 pm in the playground. Denise Cornwall, Steve Smith and Clerk to attend on behalf of MPC.
- e) **Bluebells Cottages** Lower End Marsworth – Field shelter built adjacent to Nissen Hut. Clerk to report as potential planning breach.
- f) **9 Lessons & Carols.** RK and DC to each read a Lesson on 18 December at All Saints Church.

23/12/12 **Items to Consider for Resolution**

- a) None

23/12/13 **Finance:**

- a) **Precept for 2024/25** Some adjustments were made to next year's budget and it was agreed that the precept be set at £23,000 resulting in an uplift for Band D residents from £61.88 in 23/24 to £64.57 for 24/25, an increase of £3.52 per annum (5.54%). Clerk to revise budget and notify Buckinghamshire Council of proposed precept amount. 18 Dec 23.
- b) **Monthly Finance status as at 30 November 2023**

Current a/c:			£0
Business Reserve a/c:			£28,751.21
Cheques agreed			
Cheque 1902	Mrs C A Smith November	£414.45	
Cheque 1903	HMRC November	£103.80	
Cheque 1904	DWD November	£240	
Cheque 1905	JP Window Cleaning (gutters' clean at Village Hall	£100	
Cheque 1906	NALC Councillor Training (SGS) - Planning	£60	
Cheque 1907	Forde & McHugh 1 x street lamp repair The Cres	£160	
	Interest		£35.12
Direct Debit payments:	SSE for November unmetered street lighting	£110.27	
	Ionos Outlook November	£8.40	

23/12/14 **Agenda items for next meeting from Public Participation, Clerk's Report and Requested by Councillors**

23/12/15 **Date of next Meeting:**

Monday 8 January 2024 at 8.00 pm in the Marsworth Millennium Hall.

Meeting closed at 9.10 pm

