

Minutes of meeting held on 11 November 2024 in Millennium Hall, Marsworth at 8.00 pm

- 24/11/01 Present:** Cllrs R Kennedy (RK) (Chairman), C King (CK); D Cornwall (DC), G Monks (GM), R Brown (RB) R John (RJ), S Smith (SGS) and Clerk to Parish Caroline Smith
Apologies: None
Other present: Cllrs Peter Brazier and Chris Poll
- 24/11/02 Declarations of Interest:** None.
- 24/11/03 Public Participation:** The monthly opportunity for members of the public to put questions to or provide information to the Parish Council. None
- 24/11/04 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) **Bulbourne Wharf** A complaint has been received by Cllr Brazier regarding an accident at the bridge at Bulbourne involving a car and a bus. Buckinghamshire and Dacorum Highways are liaising. It is the only bridge on a B road locally that doesn't have lights. Cllr Poll will borrow the MVAS from Cheddington and temporarily put up at Bulbourne, RK will assist and also provide an analysis of speed once figures are in.
 - b) **Marsworth Airfield planning application** – outstanding
 - c) **Greenfield v Brownfield** –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. Outstanding.
 - d) **The White Lion** – mitigation awaited for the development now that Buckinghamshire has an SAC strategy in place..
- 24/11/05 Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 14 October 2024.** 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.
- 24/11/06 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. Chased 2 Nov 24. Local Area Technician (LAC) has visited and found no recordable defects.
 - 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. Chased 2 Nov 24. LAC advised he will issue jobs for localised repairs if required.
 - 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. Chased 2 Nov 24. Vegetation last cleared in Lower End in January 2024 and in Long Marston Road July 2024. LAC to raise jobs as the nettles do grow quickly. The drains were last cleared in December 2023
 - d) **Garages at The Crescent.** Works to replace garages due to start this year. Karen Flanagan, Investment Project Manager for Fairhive advises that work will commence on 25 Nov 24.
 - e) **Recreation Ground Flooding** – The brook is flooding. The water should flow through from the sump at Bridgeways to a brick-roofed tunnel which goes right under the canal and comes out almost opposite Black Jacks. The CRT Engineer does not seem to think that the culvert and the brick-roofed tunnel belong to CRT, Buckinghamshire Council says its not theirs. Clerk and SGS to investigate further. 5 Nov 24.
 - f) **Road Priority Sign by Startup Farm has fallen.** Notified to local area technician (LAC). April 2024. A temporary sign has been placed advising on priority. FixMyStreet notified on 15 Sep that bollard and sign have been damaged. Temporary signage still in situ but needs to be moved towards the field as obscuring road. Chased 2 Nov 24. Street Lighting team advise that these signs are included in a package of replacement works which is currently being undertaken by the sub-contractor. 11 Nov 24.
 - g) **Noticeboard** on Village Green to be applied for by Clerk, with funding from Community Board.
 - h) **Marsworth Charity** – Clerk has applied to Land Registry for Title Deed for Gravel Pit Meadow. Mar 24.
 - i) **Dog Waste Bin at Startup Car Park.** Councillor Brazier had brought this to the attention of Cabinet and local MPs. Cllr Brazier noted that National Trust now have increased number of bins at Ashridge and will be meeting with CRT as Startup car park is a fee-paying car park. 11 Nov 24.
 - j) **Railings at Startops** – damaged around 12 March 24. Clerk to chase. **5977740 15 May 24.** Clerk wrote to Cllr Brazier 17 Jul 24. On LAC list 27 Jul 24. Chased 2 Nov 24. *LAC reports that In view of the regularity of road traffic collisions we are replacing the existing railings so that in future it will be possible to repair individual sections as required. A job has been raised and I have asked for this to be prioritised. 11 Nov 24.* Clerk to ascertain what type of railings to be installed. Historically they have been in line with original heritage.
 - k) **Illegal Parking at Village Hall** TVP and Fairhive have both contacted the resident in relation to this. Fairhive has also asked the resident to remove the abandoned vehicle from their driveway. Fairhive has been advised by the resident that a man comes to the house to tell her when to move her vehicles. Clerk to investigate. Clerk has reiterated that the abandoned car on the driveway should be removed.
 - l) **Asset of Community Value (ACV) – Anglers Retreat** Clerk trying to ascertain owners of the public house. Has now written to CAMRA for assistance.

- m) **Film Location.** SGS will write an article for the February edition of Marsworth News seeking location ideas from Marsworth residents as MPC only owns the Village Hall and the Recreation Ground. Filming in the village and surrounds would provide not just income for residents, but also the village hall, cafes, pubs etc from the visiting film crews. Each separate location needs to be registered by the owner.
- n) **Parking on Triangle** – Two sides of the triangle are not part of the highway and therefore parking restrictions can't be enforced. TVP has supplied signage as follows 'Please have consideration when parking – this is a road in constant use and access is required at all times to properties'. SGS has erected the TVP signs.
- o) **LED lighting** – the Community Board currently seeking tenders for a group purchase of LED lighting.
- p) **Faulty Street Lights** reported to Forde & McHugh at 9 Lukes Lea and 11 The Crescent. 5 Nov 24
- q) **Subsiding manhole and loose cover** Ref 6697837. Now with relevant utility. 5 Nov 24.

24/11/07 **To note the report from the Village Hall Committee (VHC)** (if Councillors have any recommendations they would like the Council to consider, these must be clearly expressed in advance on the agenda).

- a) **Replacement heating** - National Lottery Funding available. 17 July 24.
- b) **Water heater** repaired.
- c) **Gutter cleaning** Gutters have been cleaned.
- d) **Gents Toilet seat broken** – DC will report.
- e) **Main Hall Floor** being buffed

24/11/08 a) **Plans for consideration** – To consider planning policies, applications and appeals received and resolve to submit comments where appropriate.

24/03171/VRC | Granary, Manor Farm, Ship Lane, Marsworth HP23 4NA

Removal of condition 3 attached to planning permission 95/01209/APP (Conversion of agricultural building into staff quarters) **App 22 Oct 24. Reply by 19 Nov 24. MPC no comments.**

24/03322/AEL | Manor House Farm Stud Lower Icknield Way Marsworth Buckinghamshire HP23 4LN

Electricity Act 1989: Overhead Lines (Exemption)(England and Wales) Regulations 2009UK Power Networks are proposing to divert part of the high voltage overhead electricity network at the above location. **App 30 Oct 24. MPC No comments.**

24/03225/CPE | Certificate of Lawfulness for existing use of breach of condition 7 (agricultural occupation) on application 98/2234/APP | Apple Acre Lower End Marsworth Buckinghamshire HP23 4NB

The purpose of this statement is to set out the factual position in respect of the use of Appleacre and to demonstrate that the condition has been breached and that breach of condition 7 has continued uninterrupted for a period of 10 years or more. As such, the use is lawful, without compliance with the aforementioned condition. **App 24 Oct 24. MPC No comments.**

b) **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. **Awaiting SAC determination. App Feb 24.**

Appropriate Assessment of 9 May 24 issued by Buckinghamshire Council in relation to VALP and SAC.

Clerk has asked Cllr Brazier to seek further information on what the implications were for the White Lion, Anglers Retreat and Ainscough applications in relation to the Appropriate Assessment recently issued for the White Lion referencing the implications for the SAC. Reply from Council: *As part of the assessment (and in readiness for the when the mitigation is agreed) the Council is required to ensure the 'appropriate assessment' is completed and that this is sent over to Natural England (NE) as a statutory consultee. I anticipate the consultee response from NE will be an objection due to no mitigation (as you pointed out) but then when the SAC mitigation strategy is agreed/adopted this should give the applicant the appropriate measures to sign up to (via legal agreement) for this to be overcome.*

The sale has been temporarily suspended whilst there is a Section 215 notice in place.

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. SAC mitigation required 2 Jul 24.

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. Determination deadline 23 August 23. **Awaiting decision.** Ainscough had requested an extension to 23 November 2023. 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 similarly to MPS Mohindra Gagan and Greg and Mr Gagan, MP, had confirmed he has written to Dacorum urging them to work with Buckinghamshire Council. 29 Nov 23.

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 (Redrow) has appealed the Secretary of State's decision May 24.**

24/00885/APP | Change of use of an existing outbuilding from a garage to a 1-bedroom short-term holiday rental accommodation and external alterations to existing outbuilding | The Old Manor Church Lane Marsworth Buckinghamshire HP23 4LX **App 18 Mar. Reply 13 Apr 24.** Residents have written to MPC to express their concerns. **MPC made various comments on the planning application.**

24/01570/APP | Folly Bridge House Bulbourne Road Marsworth Buckinghamshire HP23 5QG
Change of use from vacant care home (C2) to a single residential dwelling (C3). **App 23 May 24. Reply by 20 June 24. MPC supportive.**

19/B0140/DIS | 19/00140/ALB | British Waterways Repair Yard Bulbourne Road Marsworth
Application for approval of details subject to part condition 6 (proposed windows) of listed building consent
Change of windows from metal to timber. **Oct 24. MPC no comments.**

Dacorum Local Plan Consultation

Consultation until 17 December. Marshcroft now back on Dacorum's local plan. MPC has written to Dacorum councillors to object 8 Oct 24. MPC will object on the Dacorum consultation website.

letstalk.dacorum.gov.uk/hub-page/newlocalplan

c) **Permission Approved/refused:**

24/00905/ALB | Manor Farm Ship Lane Marsworth HP23 4NA

Listed building application for removal of existing unkeyed lime plaster and re plastering of internal walls in traditional timber and lathe method, replacement of bathroom and repairs and replacement of windows, minor roof slate repairs, removal of cement mortar from chimney stack, patch repairs of lime mortar to West Facade, re-insulation under floors and roof void in annexe, replaster to make good, re-wiring of 3 phase supply and to connect to domestic supply in annexe | **App 18 Mar. Reply 23 Apr 24. MPC no comments. Consent granted 29 Oct 24.**

24/11/09 Police: Police report for October

- a) **Suspicious Persons x3** – One of these relates to a missing male. Another relates to 2 individuals sighted that were suspected to be involved in a recent theft of fuel. The other relates to Marsworth airfield security reporting a suspicious van. (Nothing of concern to wider community).

24/11/10 Streets, Footpaths and Recreation Ground

- a) **Recreation Ground: Equipment inspection** CK reported grass in good condition. One piece of gym equipment still seized. Goal posts need tying again- RK. RJ to report at November meeting
- b) **Section 106 Waterways Repair Yard Bulbourne Road (16/01079/APP).** Joe Houston has agreed that 106 money can be used for: **matting, open fencing, & additional hedge whipping** at the Rec. Clerk to obtain 12 hazel saplings. Oak considered too big.
- c) **Play equipment maintenance** as agreed will be carried out over the winter by DWD.
- d) DWD will **assess entrances** for remedial work at Rec following bonfire night. DWD will also fill in with soil hole by goal post as well as level up the entrances.

24/11/11 Items for Information/Discussion

- a) **Community Speedwatch - MVAS** at Cooks Wharf. Clerk has contacted Local Area Technician to ascertain if a suitable site can be agreed for a SID/MVAS. 2 Nov 24. Community Board funding NOT available
- b) **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 Draft Deed of Variation changed by Buckinghamshire Council to a Section 111 Agreement. £800 paid up front to Buckinghamshire Council for total cost £800 to £1600) 3 May 24 Further invoice now received for an additional. £1668. Clerk has requested copy of unexecuted document and compare with Deed of Variation. Cllr Brazier to then take up with cabinet member.
- c) **Wing & Ivinghoe Community Board Meeting** – SGS and Clerk attended. Reduction in funding to £1M including operating costs which means £250,000 split across the 8 Wards. Current funding available until end of January 25 latest.
- d) **Wing and Ivinghoe Proud of Bucks Awards** on Wednesday 11 December at Hardwick Village Hall from 6.15pm for a 6.30pm start. RK attending.
- e) **Buckinghamshire Highways Stakeholder Conference 28 October.** SGS and Clerk attended. All outstanding works from previous contractor thought to be completed. Clerk has chased on outstanding items.
- f) **Review of Bonfire Night** MPC wished to place on record its appreciation to the Village Hall Committee for such a successful evening.
- g) **Litter Pickers at Village Hall Car Park** – Sunday 23 November at 10.30 am for annual leaf clear. All volunteers welcome.
- h) **Marsworth Pre-School** EGM on 11 November at 7.30 pm
- i) **Government consultation to allow councils to hold remote council meetings.** Closes 19 December 2024. All parish and town councils, county associations, and individual councillors and clerks encouraged to participate in this essential consultation. Your responses are vital in demonstrating the continued strong support for this flexibility, building on the momentum from the previous call for evidence.
<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/enabling-remote-attendance-and-proxy-voting-at-local-authority-meetings>
- j) **Local elections on 1 May 25. 2021 costs** - unopposed £125, contested £1,000 plus 30% for 2025. Clerk to place advertisement in February edition of Marsworth News seeking new Councillors.
- k) **MPC – RK & RB - to decorate a Christmas Tree** for the Church display.

24/11/12 Items to Consider for Resolution

- a) **Clerk payrise 63 pence per hour** with effect from 1 April 24.

- b) **Climbing Frame at the Rec.** It was resolved to approve the making good of current structure to include fitting metal sleeves around the bottoms of each post and welding together, to ensure no damage can occur in the future. Total including labour. £450.70
- c) It was resolved to approve **dates of meetings** for 2025 as attached. RB to notify Bookings Secretary of dates and to hire the main hall for the Annual Parish Meeting on 7 April.
- d) **Funding for Media Suite** It was resolved that, subject to funding from the Community Board, a media suite – screen, speakers, projector and broadband – be installed at the Village Hall. As the Village Hall owned by MPC, then Clerk to apply for funding from Community Board.
- e) **Memorial at Marsworth Airfield** Following a request from a resident it was resolved NOT to approve a request for an additional memorial due to location and funding restraints.

24/11/13

Monthly Finance status as at 31 October 2024

Cheques agreed and distributed			
Cheque 1957	Mrs C A Smith Oct	£274.65	
Cheque 1958	HMRC Oct	£68.60	
Cheque 1959	Denise Cornwall wreath for Remembrance	£20	
Cheque 1960	DWD Oct	£240	
Cheque 1961	Marsworth CofE School donation swimming lessons	£200	
Cheque 1962	All Saints Church, Marsworth, donation ground mntnce	£200	
1963	JP Window cleaning – Gutters at Village Hall	£120	
Direct Debit payments:	Ionos Outlook Oct	£8.40	
	Ionos domain 2 yr 29/8/26 & 3 month web builder 6/12/24	£49.18	
	SSE Energy Jun 24	£118.46	
	SSE Energy Jul 24	£122.39	
Credits:	NatWest Interest		£46.14
Current a/c:			£0.00
Business Reserve a/c:			£38,239.40

24/11/14

Date of next Meeting:

Monday 9 December 2024 at 8.00 pm in the Marsworth Millennium Hall.
The meeting closed at 8.50 pm.

Dates of meetings 2025	
8pm Mondays unless otherwise stated	
13 January	GM to report at January meeting
10 February	SGS to report at February meeting
10 March	RK to report at March meeting
7 April (Good Friday 18 April) Inc Annual Parish Meeting at 7pm	RB to report at April meeting
12 May (Bank Holiday 5 May) Inc Annual Meeting of Council at 7.45 pm	DC to report at May meeting
9 June	CK to report at June meeting
14 July	RJ to report at July meeting
11 August	GM to report at August meeting
8 September	SGS to report at September meeting
13 October	RK to report at October meeting
10 November	RB to report at November meeting
8 December	DC to report at December meeting