

Minutes of meeting held on 10 June 2025 in Millennium Hall, Marsworth at 8.10 pm

- 25/06/01 Present:** Cllrs R Kennedy (Chairman), C King (CK), G Monks; R Brown (RB), R John (RJ), S Smith (SGS) and Clerk to Parish Caroline Smith
Apologies: None
Others present: Cllrs Peter Brazier and Denise Cornwall
- 25/06/02 Declarations of Interest:** None.
- 25/06/03 Public Participation:** The monthly opportunity for members of the public to put questions to or provide information to the Parish Council. None
- 25/06/04 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** – outstanding. RK has written to Dacorum BC to urge its support in defeating this application.
 - b) **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.
- 25/06/05 Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 12 May 2025.** 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.
- 25/06/06 Clerk's Report: This section provides updates on on-going issues. Resolutions cannot be passed on items in this section.**
- a) **Garages at The Crescent** Fairhive has still not replaced the faulty garage doors. Clerk to chase.
 - b) **Recreation Ground Flooding** – Clerk has written to Canal and River Trust with probable proof of CRT ownership and it is now with CRT's legal team. Apr 25.
 - c) **Railings at Startops** – damaged around 12 March 24. Clerk to chase. **5977740 15 May 24.** Cllr Brazier advised railings will be installed in August 2025.
 - d) **Asset of Community Value (ACV) – Anglers Retreat.** MPC resolved to apply for an ACV for the Anglers Retreat back in July. Clerk to apply on behalf of MPC. Feb 25.
 - e) **Asset of Community Value (AVC) – Red Lion.** Clerk to apply for ACV for Red Lion.
 - f) **LED lighting** – awaiting information from Community Board.
 - g) **Resident's complaint.** Clerk has written to CRT as the road narrows at the Red Lion Bridge due to vegetation encroachment on road, and overhanging branches. Boundary hedges are landowners' responsibility. **Case Number: 1432376.**
 - h) **Deed of Variation for Marsworth Village Hall.** Clerk ascertaining why the 'Term' of the lease in the Deed of Variation stated from 1968 and not 1961 as in the original lease. This may alter the break-clause dates.
 - i) **College Farm Complaint.** Resident collected bagsful of rubbish lying on the bridleway close to the two yard entrances. Querying what planning permission in place as a lot of people, vehicles, caravans and different units. **Currently under investigation.** March 25 Ref NC/25/00090/OPDEV
 - j) **Resident complaint re parking at corner of Watery Lane/Lower Icknield Way.** Cllr Brazier has spoken with LAT and has put in a Parking Control request for yellow lines.
 - k) **Complaint re parking on Lukes Lea** by one house owner of several vehicles without tax or MOT. TVP has spoken to resident.
- 25/06/07 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) **At the AGM of the Village Hall Committee** on 4 June, the following officers were elected:
Chair Person – Iain Puddephatt
Vice Chair – Mike Mullally
Bookings Clerk – Frances Brown
Secretary – Steve Moore
Treasurer – John Kelly
 - b) **Media Suite.** The Clerk and Josie Kempster from the VHC met with Lifetime Installations on 13 May to confirm locations for screens, controls, etc. The first available week the Hall was available was 18 August and being installed that week.
- 25/06/08 a) Plans for consideration** – To consider planning policies, applications and appeals received and resolve to submit comments where appropriate. –
25/00994 Startop Farm Lower Icknield Way Marsworth Tring Hertfordshire HP23 4LL
Permitted development application /APA Conversion of agricultural buildings into 9 residential dwellings. MPC were concerned that this application sought to replace almost all farm buildings by residences. The implication being that the buildings were redundant for farm use. There was a concern that farms might be able to continuously swap buildings from agricultural to residential and replace them with new agricultural which would surely be perverse. Cllr Brazier to enquire.
- 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 24.**
Appropriate Assessment of 9 May 24 issued by Buckinghamshire Council in relation to VALP and 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

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. **Ward Councillors have asked that if this application be approved it should be called in as unsustainable. 19 Jan 25.**

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), New vehicular and pedestrian access off Long Marston Road. **App 24 May 23.** RK has written to Dacorum asking requesting confirmation that Buckinghamshire Council will not be permitted by Dacorum to be the sole determinant on this application. RK has written similarly to other local MPs. Mr Gagan, MP, had confirmed he has written to Dacorum urging them to work with Buckinghamshire Council. 29 Nov 23. RK has written to Dacorum to ask for its support in objecting to the application. **Jan 25.**

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. Natural England agree with the conclusion of the HRA that as it stands the development would have an adverse impact on the integrity of the Chilterns Beechwoods Special Area of Conservation. 4 Oct 24**

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.**

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.**

24/03567/ALB - Manor Farm Ship Lane Marsworth Buckinghamshire HP23 4NA
Listed building application for insertion of insulation between the interior reinstated plastering, exterior infill's and above the existing ceilings in the roof space **App 6 Dec 24. Reply by 3 Jan 24. MPC no objection.**

25/00383/CPL | Ainscough App for Certificate of lawfulness for proposed traffic management works to manage the vehicular and pedestrian traffic over the Grand Union Canal Bridge 130 | Grand Union Canal Bridge 130 Between Vicarage Road (to The South Of The Grand Union Canal Bridge 130) And Long Marston (to The North Of The Grand Union Canal Bridge 130). **App 6 Feb 25 MPC has objected as considered unsafe.**

Notice of Submission for the Dacorum Local Plan to 2041 to the Secretary of State. Notice is hereby given that Dacorum Borough Council has submitted the Dacorum Local Plan to 2041 for independent examination to the Secretary of State for the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government. Submitted on **11 Mar 25**

25/01032/APP | 79 Lower Icknield Way Marsworth HP23 4LW Householder application for proposed demolition of existing single storey storage area, construction of two storey side extension and formation of vehicular crossover. | **App 1 Apr 25. Reply 25 May 25. MPC no objections.**

Planning Inspectorate Ref: APP/J0405/W/25/3363581

Appeal by: Burgundy Developments Ltd

Application Ref: 24/02222/AOP Appeal Ref: 25/00019/REF

Land Adj The Duke Of Wellington Ph Cheddington Road Marsworth

Proposal: Outline planning application with all matters reserved except access and layout for the erection of 9 dwellings with associated parking and access

An appeal has been lodged with the Secretary of State against the Council's decision.

The **start date** for this appeal is 11 April 2025. Comments to be submitted within 5 weeks of this date.

MPC has repeated its objections and highlighted the threatening anonymous letters received.

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(c) Permission Approved/refused:

25/06/09 Police report March, April and May
Nothing of note.

25/06/10 Streets, Footpaths and Recreation Ground

- a) **Recreation Ground: Equipment inspection** CK had inspected the recreation ground but did not find any issues. RJ to report at July meeting.
- b) **Marsworth Steam Rally** – taking place on Sunday 15 June 2025.

25/06/11 Items for Information/Discussion

- a) **Marsworth Parish Council vacancy** has been advertised in Marsworth News. Deadline for applications 7 July 2025.
- b) **MPC has written to County Cllr Sally Symington, Leader of Dacorum Council,** to express its concern that the removal of this free parking was detrimental to the High Street shops. Tring Town Clerk has a meeting with

County Cllr Symington to discuss this and will include our views. Clerk has also urged Cheddington, Pitstone and Ivinghoe Parishes to support this request.

- c) Request for Lukes Lea to become a wildflower area and be managed by a resident. Clerk to contact DWD to ask them to also cut this area and perhaps tidy up the blackberry bushes after fruiting. It was also agreed that Clerk should apply for Sec 106 funding for a bench and to replace the 2 benches opposite the Village Hall.
- d) Complaint re parking at Marsworth Wharf Triangle and also request for curb edge to be repaired as now a 10cm drop. Clerk to write again to TVP and to contact FixMyStreet and send a picture of curb to Cllr Brazier.
- e) Complaint re vans parking on grass verges at Cooks Wharf by one house owner. Clerk has contacted TVP, but little can be done as not an obstruction.
- f) Complaint re trip hazards on the canal along the Marsworth Fun Run route. Clerk to report to CRT.
- g) Suggest cork or rubber mat required on wooden noticeboard by the village hall as noticeboard is almost impossible to push pins into. Clerk obtaining costs.
- h) BALC Town and Parish Council Planning Forum will take place on the 26th of June from 10am till 12 noon on line. Link has been sent to MPC. Clerk to attend.

25/06/12 Items to Consider for Resolution

- a) AGAR has been approved by the Internal Auditor. It was
- b) Resolved to approve and sign Section 1 Annual Governance Statement 2024/25
- c) Resolved to approve and sign Section 2 Accounting Statements 2024/5
- d) Resolved to approve the year end (to 31 March 2025) bank reconciliation
- a) Resolved to approve the associated Exercise of Public Rights with an inspection period of 10 June to 21 July 25

25/06/13 e) Finance: Monthly Finance Statement as at 31 May 2025

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| Cheques | | | |
| Cheque 1993 | Mrs C A Smith May £331.68 + £13.15 stationery | £344.83 | |
| Cheque 1994 | HMRC May | £80.40 | |
| Cheque 1995 | DWD May 3 cuts plus weed clearance entrance to rec | £380 | |
| Cheque 1996 | Bridget Knight for AGAR internal audit | £115 | |
| Receipts | VAT | | £1228.38 |
| | Interest | | £39.87 |
| Direct Debit payments: | Ionos Outlook April | £8.40 | |
| | SSE for April | £118.46 | |
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| Current a/c: | | | £0.00 |
| Business Reserve a/c: | (includes accrual of £10,200 for proposed LED lighting) | | £42,568.36 |
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25/06/14 Agenda items for next meeting from Public Participation, Clerk's Report and Requested by Councillors

25/06/15 Date of next Meeting:

Monday 14 July 2025 at 8.00 pm in the Marsworth Millennium Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm.

