

**Minutes of meeting held on 8 December 2025 in Millennium Hall, Marsworth at 8.00 pm**

**25/12/01** **Present:** Cllrs R Kennedy (Chairman); G Monks (GM); H Gracie (HG); S Smith (SGS) and Clerk to Parish Caroline Smith  
**Apologies:** C King (CK), R Brown (RB); R John (RJ);  
**Others present:** None

**25/12/02** **Declarations of Interest:** None.

**25/12/03** **Public Participation:** The monthly opportunity for members of the public to put questions to or provide information to the Parish Council. - None

**25/12/04** **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** – outstanding.
- 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.
- c) **The White Lion** - awaiting planning permission
- d) **Railings at Startops** – Local Area Technician reports that this will be completed by Christmas 2025.

**25/12/05** **Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 10 November 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.

**25/12/06** **Clerk's Report: This section provides updates on on-going issues. Resolutions cannot be passed on items in this section.**

- a) **Recreation Ground Flooding** – Clerk has written to Canal and River Trust legal department with probable proof of CRT ownership. Case No enquiry 1454736 Apr 25. CRT PR dept has written back suggesting we 'speak to the farmer'. Stephen Wooler, SGS and Clerk investigating further and visiting the Archives at Warwick on 11 December as the records for the Aylesbury Arm are housed there.
- b) **Railings at Startops** – damaged around 12 March 24. Clerk to chase. **5977740 15 May 24.** The railings will be installed by Christmas 2025 (see 25/12/04).
- c) **Asset of Community Value (ACV) – Anglers Retreat.** MPC resolved to apply for an ACV for the Anglers Retreat. Clerk to apply on behalf of MPC.
- d) **Asset of Community Value (AVC) – Red Lion.** Clerk to apply on behalf of MPC.
- e) **LED lighting** – Clerk obtaining quotes. Consideration to possible heritage lighting around Church and Red Lion, dependent on price and illumination.
- f) **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.
- g) **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
- h) **Marsworth Wharf** Buckinghamshire Council has temporarily repaired the damage to the verge near the Elsan facility. 7854692. Damage caused by CRT Biffa bins. Clerk to raise with FixMyStreet why 26T Biffa lorries are using the bridge.
- i) **Village Hall AV equipment and heating.** A few snagging items left on the media installation. Heating all installed. Payment will be made to suppliers and Sec 106 monies requested.
- j) **Multiple vans being parked on grass verges at Cooks Wharf.** LAT to organise for hedgerow to be cut back opposite the cottages which is obscuring signage including weight restriction and speed. 11 Aug 25

**25/12/07** **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) Minutes of the meeting held on 5 November had been circulated.

**25/12/08** **a) Plans for consideration** – To consider planning policies, applications and appeals received and resolve to submit comments where appropriate. –  
PL/25/4842/FA | Folly Bridge House Bulbourne Road Marsworth HP23 5QG  
Insertion of two dormer windows to front elevation, **5 Dec 25. Reply by 26 Dec 25. MPC No objection.**

**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. A further delay until next year as another bat survey to be carried out and a suitable SANG to be approved.

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 | The Old Manor Church Lane Marsworth Buckinghamshire HP23 4LX  
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 | **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**

**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. Consultation running until 8 January 2026. Once the Inspectors have considered the responses to the consultation they will prepare their Matters, Issues and Questions for discussion at the Stage 3 hearing sessions and will be inviting hearing statements in response to their Matters, Issues and Questions. **20 Nov 25.**

25/01756/AOP | Land North of Glebe Close Pitstone

Outline application for demolition of no61 Albion Road and residential development of up to 100 dwellings, landscaping, drainage, open space, and associated works, including the change of use of land from agriculture to Class F.2(c) to create Strategic Area of Natural Greenspace (SANG). All matters reserved except for access off Albion Road (details of internal roads and footpaths reserved) on land north of Glebe Close, Pitstone | . **App 9 Jun 25. MPC objects.**

25/01857/ALB | | 12 Bulbourne Yard Marsworth Buckinghamshire HP23 5FU

Listed building application for replacement of three existing metal frame glazed doors with three timber framed glazed doors at the rear of the building **App 5 Aug 25. MPC no objection . Heritage Comments: The application does not comply with the relevant heritage policy and therefore unless there are sufficient planning reasons, it should be refused for this reason.**

25/01880/MOA| Marshcroft, Tring. 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 SANG. **MPC objects. Grove Fields Residents Association' KC advises that, in the short term GRFA should shift its focus from Stage 3 of the Government Inspectors' 'Examination in Public' (EiP) (no date scheduled) to fighting the renewed Marshcroft Planning Application to Dacorum from Barratt Redrow.** **30 Nov 25.**

PL/25/3868/FA | 5 Vicarage Road Marsworth HP23 4LR

Two storey side extension and extend driveway **6 Nov 25. Reply by 27 Nov. MPC No objection.**

40 Vicarage Road, Marsworth, Buckinghamshire, HP23 4LT

Notification of proposed works to trees in a conservation area

Proposal: (G1) Row of 4 Lime - reduce approximately 3 meters off height and 1-2 meters of lateral growth. T2 & T3 Ash and Sycamore trees to cut back to the boundary (2-3m off lateral limbs). **Reply by 17 November. MPC No objection.**

**(c) Permission Approved/refused/withdrawn:**

PL/25/3394/FA - Mill House , Watery Lane, Marsworth, Buckinghamshire, HP23 4LY

Proposal: Extension to outbuildings to form garage/study with dormer window **Reply by 5 Nov 25 MPC has no objection. Approved 28 Nov 25**

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. Discharge - does not satisfy requirements. 25 Nov 25**

19/F0047/DIS | Application for approval of details subject to part condition 6 (proposed windows) of planning approval ref: 19/00047/APP | British Waterways Repair Yard Bulbourne Road Marsworth Buckinghamshire. **Discharge - does not satisfy requirements. 25 Nov 25**

PL/25/2971/FA - Dragons Feld Gurneys Farm Church Lane Marsworth Buckinghamshire HP23 4LY

Householder application for demolition of existing summer house and erection of an

ancillary annexe with associated landscaping **19 Sep 25. Reply by 10 Oct 25. MPC No objection. Conditional permission. The annexe hereby permitted shall only be used in connection with and ancillary to the main dwellinghouse: Dragons Feld, Gurneys Farm, Church Lane, Marsworth, Buckinghamshire, HP23 4LY. The annexe shall at no time be converted into or occupied as an independent dwelling or planning unit or rented out as overnight accommodation.** **27 Oct**

**25/12/09**

**Police report for October and November. – No incidents to report.**

**25/12/10**

**Streets, Footpaths and Recreation Ground**

a) **Recreation Ground: Equipment inspection** HG reported that the matting was still to be repaired which is on DWD's list. GM to report at January meeting.

**25/12/11**

**Items for Information/Discussion**

a) **Street lights for repair:** opposite Leveritt Cottage, Church Lane & 48 Vicarage Road. Clerk has reported.  
b) **Marsworth News** 2 people have volunteered to be Editor on a rotating basis. MPC to present a thank you hamper to Sandra Costello to thank her for her support of Marsworth over many years.

- c) **Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes Local Nature Recovery Strategy** – on line launch on Friday, 12 December to discuss practical, delivery actions.
- d) **Village Hall car parking** by non-users of the Hall. Clerk has written to Fairhive and TVP and Fairhive has written to the resident.
- e) **Have Your Say** at the Red Lion was on 26 Nov 25 and gave residents an opportunity to discuss concerns with Mike Coker of Thames Valley Police.
- f) **Noticeboard** – A new noticeboard will replace the old one at The Red Lion. Also self-healing matting will be installed on 11 December on the 2 public noticeboards in the village. SGS and Clerk to remove posters on Wednesday and replace them on Friday.

**25/12/12 Items to Consider for Resolution**

- a) **Village Hall Committee Defibrillator.** It was resolved to approve a Sec137 request from the Village Hall Committee for a donation for a replacement battery for the defibrillator.

**25/12/13 a) Draft Budget for 2026/27 was discussed.**

- b) **Finance:** Monthly Finance Statement as at 30 November 2025

<b>Current a/c:</b>		<b>£0.00</b>
<b>Business Reserve a/c:</b>	(includes accrual of £10,200 for proposed LED lighting)	<b>£48,533.02</b>
<b>Direct Debit payments:</b>	Ionos Outlook November	<b>£8.40</b>
	SSE for October	<b>£139.04</b>
<b>Receipts:</b>	Interest	<b>£35.60</b>
<b>To approve cheques</b>		
Cheque 2025	Mrs C A Smith £365.60 + £60.00 expenses	<b>£425.60</b>
Cheque 2026	HMRC November	<b>£89.00</b>
Cheque 2027	DWD November –	<b>£300.00</b>
Cheque 2028	Scribe for December	<b>£37.20</b>
Cheque 2029	Wreath for Remembrance – previous cheque void	<b>£20.00</b>
Cheque 2030	M J Electrical- reimbursable through 106 funding	<b>£2025.60</b>
Cheque 2031	Lifetime Installations–reimbursable through 106 funding	<b>£5,844.25</b>
Cheque 2032 VOID		
Cheque 2033	Refund Village Hall Committee donation	<b>£4,165.10</b>
Cheque 2034	Mr B J Algar for noticeboards – self-healing surface	<b>£450.00</b>

**25/12/14 Date of next Meeting:** 12 January 2026 at 8.00 pm in the Marsworth Millennium Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm