

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on the 13 April 2026 in the Millennium Hall, Marsworth, at 8.00pm

1. **[26/04/01]: Present**
Cllrs R Kennedy (Chairman), C King (CK); G Monk, M Narduzzo (MN), R Brown (RB), R John (RJ), S Smith (SGS) and Clerk to Parish Caroline Smith
Apologies: Cllrs Peter Brazier and Chris Poll
Others present: Chris Kennedy
2. **[26/04/02]: Declarations of Interest:**
SGS lives in Stepnells
3. **[26/04/03]: Public Participation**
4. **[26/04/04]: 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:
 - 4.1 Buckinghamshire Draft Local Plan
 - 4.2 Marsworth Airfield planning application – outstanding.
 - 4.3 Government published its new procedural guide for how planning appeals will work from 1 April.
5. **[26/04/05]: Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 9 March 2026.** It was resolved that the draft Minutes were a true and accurate record and the Chairman was duly authorized to sign them on behalf of the Council.
6. **[26/04/06]: Clerk's Report:**
This section provides updates on on-going issues. Resolutions cannot be passed on items in this section.
 - 6.1 **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. Stephen Wooler kindly drafted a letter which RK has signed and Clerk has sent to the Legal Director of CRT asking them to provide proof that they don't own the 4' strip of land between Bridgeways and the Recreation Ground. December 2025.
 - 6.2 **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.
 - 6.3 **Asset of Community Value (AVC) – Red Lion.**
Clerk to apply on behalf of MPC.
 - 6.4 **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.
 - 6.5 **College Farm Complaint.**
Resident 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
 - 6.6 **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.
 - 6.7 **Village Hall AV equipment and heating.**
S106 monies received and equipment installed.
 - 6.8 **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
 - 6.9 **Village Hall car parking** by non-users of the Hall. This has re-occurred on Mar 26.
 - 6.10 **Noticeboard** installed and full funding in the sum of £999 received. Mar 26.
7. **[26/04/07]: 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).
 - 7.1 **Minutes of the meeting held on 1 April** were noted.
8. **[26/04/08]: Planning Applications**
 - 8.1 **Plans for consideration**
To consider planning policies, applications and appeals received and resolve to submit comments where appropriate.
 - 8.1.1. PL/26/01703/FA | Lower End Cottage Lower End Marsworth Buckinghamshire HP23 4NB



Construction of a part-single/part-two storey side/rear extension, fenestration alterations and changes to external appearance including replacement and additional windows and installation of render together with the construction of a detached garage, vehicular access and associated hardstanding works. 2 Mar 26. MPC No objection

8.1.2 PL/26/01944/FA | Replacement single storey rear extension and front porch extension and fenestration alterations | 11 Lower Icknield Way Marsworth Buckinghamshire HP23 4LN. 9 Mar 26. MPC No objection

8.2 Decisions awaited:

8.2.1 21/00383/APP - Former White Lion PH Startops End Lower Icknield Way, Marsworth, HP23 4LJ
Conversion of former public house into two dwellings. App Feb 24. Awaiting SANG agreement.

8.2.2 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.

8.2.3 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

8.2.4 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.
Tring Town Council is actively involved in objecting and has appointed a planning consultant and landscape consultant to assist with this process. One of the grounds of objection is the potential impact it will have on schools, doctors, roads and other infrastructure around Tring. Jan 2026 Stage 3 hearings to take place 2-27 March 2026.

8.2.5 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.

8.2.6 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. 16 April, Forum Council Chambers in Hemel Hempstead at 7.00pm Development Management Committee that will consider the Planning Application by Redrow Homes (Harrow Estates) for 1400 Houses on the Marshcroft Greenbelt site. Tring Town Council meeting 13 April and Dacorum Planning meeting 16 April.

8.2.7 PL/25/6009/FA | Site Of The Former White Lion PH 2 Startops End Lower Icknield Way Marsworth
Erection of 4 semi-detached dwellings with associated car parking, garden space, waste provision and cycle storage. 26 Jan. Reply by 18 Feb. MPC supportive. 9 Feb 26.

8.2.8 PL/25/5024/FA & PL/25/5025/HB : 13 Bulbourne Yard, Marsworth, HP23 5FU
Retrospective planning application. MPC objects. 10 Mar 26

8.2.9 PL/26/01066/FA 2 Cooks Wharf Cottages Cheddington Road Marsworth LU7 0SZ
Installation of a dropped Kerb and creation of a driveway. MPC suggested the previous of a layby would be more suitable. MPC objects. 10 Mar 26

8.3 Permission Approved/refused/withdrawn:

8.3.1 25/03168/OUT| Highover Lukes Lane Gubblecote Tring Hertfordshire HP23 4QQ -
Construction of up to 5 self build or custom build dwellings| 23 Jan 26. MPC objects on the grounds of the road being too narrow for additional traffic, inadequate public transport provisions and an increased danger of flooding. 9 Feb 26
Refused 20 Mar 26

8.3.2 PL/25/5721/HB | Listed building consent for internal and external repairs including roof and ceiling repairs, commercial kitchen repairs and replacement internal finishes and redecorations. | Red Lion Ph Vicarage Road Marsworth HP23 4LU. 12 Jan 26. MPC no objection. MPC has written to Planning to ensure that the Village Green which is adjacent to the Red Lion is restored to previous condition following the works. Consent approved 19 Mar 26.

8.2.3 PL/26/00534/EIASR | Request for an EIA Screening Opinion under Regulation 6 of the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (as amended) for 190 dwellings and associated

infrastructure. | Land Off Leeches Way Cheddington Buckinghamshire. MPC objects to the proposed development and recommends that any EIA conducted ensures that sufficient consideration has been given to the impact of sewage and water supply as our villages are already under strain. 9 Feb 26 Deemed an Environmental Impact Assessment is not required. 12 Mar 26.

8.3.4 PL/26/01147/UA | Car Park Startups End Lower Icknield Way Marsworth Consultation under Schedule 2, Part 8, Class B, Condition B.1A. (1) of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) relating to the installation of ANPR infrastructure Buckinghamshire Approved 24 Mar 26.

8.3.5 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. Conditional permission.

9. [26/04/09]: Police report for March

9.1 1 x theft of oil, 1 x public order offence

10. [26/04/10]: Streets, Footpaths and Recreation Ground

10.1 Recreation Ground:

Equipment inspection. RB reported nothing of note. RK to report in May.

11. [26/04/11]: Items for Information/Discussion

11.1 IT Policy was approved.

11.2 MPC to each consider setting up individual email addresses via Hotmail or gmail, eg clrxxxxxx@gmail.com. Individual councillor choice.

11.3 Lighting – Clerk to ascertain new unmetered rate from SSE once all LED lights installed. Then consider fixing.

11.4 Responsible Dog Owners Forthcoming campaign was noted.

11.5 Wickstead Leisure report on Recreation Ground was noted. DVD carrying out necessary remedial work.

11.7 Public Participation from 9 March. Agree wording for inclusion in Marsworth News that the PCC is NOT supportive of the Oxford Diocese's proposal to sell the land by Startups. Rev James Grainger-Smith to approve.

11.8 CRT consider wording to reply to CRT's complaint to MPC. Hold in abeyance awaiting reply re flooding at Rec.

11.9 Community Boards *Community Connections* presents 'Shaping the future of bus services in Buckinghamshire' webinar, hosted by colleagues from our Public Transport service on Thursday 23 April 10:30am – 11:30am. MN to attend on line.

11.10 Small press/stakeholder event at Wilstone Reservoir at 10.30am on Tuesday 12 May to celebrate the completion of the reservoir works was noted.

11.11 Town and County Planning Forum on line Tuesday 13 April at 3.45pm was noted.

12. [26/04/12]: Items to Consider for Resolution

12.1 Appointment of Parish Councillor – it was resolved to /co-opt Michael Narduzzo to fill the vacant seat following the resignation of Helen Gracie. Acceptance of Office and Declaration of Interests to be completed.

12.2 Annual Marsworth 10K Fun Run – it was resolved to give permission for the Marsworth Fun Run to use the recreation ground on Sunday 10 May 2026

12.3 Replacement Refuse Bin opposite Village Hall – it was resolved to purchase a replacement bin in the sum of £153.

13. [26/04/13]: Finance

13.1 Monthly Finance Statement as at 31 March 2026

Current a/c:		£0.00
Business Reserve a/c:	Includes accrual of £10,200 for LED lighting)	£40,695.84
Direct Debit payments:		
SSE for January		£135.74
Receipts	Interest	£24.95
	Bucks Council for noticeboard	£999.00
	Bucks Council for S106 for Village hall heating & media	£10,226.21
To approve cheques		
Cheque 2056	Mrs C A Smith Mar £721.40 plus postage/Annual Parish	£808.65
Cheque 2057	HMRC March	£177.80
Cheque 2058	DWD Rec /village mtnc and installation of noticeboard	£360.00
Cheque 2059	MJ Electrical thermostat for hall heaters (S106 funding)	£248.40
Cheque 2060	Creative Audio Visual – wifi (S106 funding)	£1,554.00
Cheque 2061	Wickstead Rec Inspection 2025/26	£180.00
Cheque 2062	Lamps & Tubes LED lighting x 20 lights	£12,759.79
Cheque 2063	WMS Ltd (defibrillator parts for village hall)	£468.72

14. [26/03/14]: Agenda items for next meeting

From Public Participation, Clerk's Report and Requested by Councillors

15. [26/03/15]: Date of next Meeting:

Monday 11 May 2026 at 8.00 pm in the Marsworth Millennium Hall Preceded by Annual Meeting of Council from 7.45 pm