

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on the 11 May 2026 in the Millennium Hall, Marsworth, at 8.00pm

1. [26/05/01]: Present

Cllrs R Kennedy (Chairman), C King (CK); G Monk (GM), M Narduzzo (MN), R John (RJ), S Smith (SGS) and Clerk to Parish Caroline Smith

Apologies: R Brown (RB),

Others present: Chris Poll

2. [26/05/02]: Declarations of Interest: None

3. [26/05/03]: Public Participation - None

4. [26/05/04]: 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 – will be published in July. Cllr Poll to ascertain if details can be available by Marsworth News publication deadline of 19 June.

4.2 Marsworth Airfield planning application has been refused. Cllr Brazier now following up with Buckinghamshire Council regarding enforcement issues with those using the site.

5. [26/05/05]: Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 13 April 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. [26/05/06]: 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.

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.

7. [26/05/07]: 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 VHC meeting held on 1 April were not yet available.

8. [26/05/08]: Planning Applications

8.1 To consider planning policies, applications and appeals received and resolve to submit comments where appropriate.

8.1.1 Highover Lukes Lane Gubblecote Tring Hertfordshire HP23 4QQ Construction of up to 5 self build or custom build dwellings Appeal to the Secretary of State. Comments welcomed. **16 Apr 26. MPC to restate its objections. 15 May 26.**

8.1.2 PL/26/01907/FA | Moat Farm Lower End Marsworth HP23 4NB

Subdivision of existing dwellinghouse into two dwellinghouses together with associated hardstanding and fencing. **MPC No objection. 12 May 26.**

8.2 Decisions awaited:

8.2.1 21/00383/APP - Former White Lion PH Startups End Lower Icknield Way, Marsworth, HP23 4LJ

Conversion of former public house into two dwellings. **App Feb 24. Awaiting SANG agreement.**

8.2.2 24/00885/APP | The Old Manor Church Lane Marsworth 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**

8.2.3 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.

8.2.4 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.**

8.2.5 PL/25/6009/FA | Site Of The Former White Lion PH 2 Startups End Lower Icknield Way Marsworth

Erection of 4 semi-detached dwellings with associated car parking, garden space, waste provision and cycle storage. **26 Jan. MPC supportive. 9 Feb 26.**

8.2.6 PL/25/5024/FA & PL/25/5025/HB : 13 Bulbourne Yard, Marsworth, HP23 5FU

Retrospective planning application. **MPC objects. 10 Mar 26**

8.2.7 PL/26/01944/FA 11 Lower Icknield Way Marsworth HP23 4LN|

Replacement single storey rear extension and front porch extension and fenestration alterations **9 Mar 26. MPC No objection**

8.3 Permission Approved/refused/withdrawn:

8.3.1 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. Conditional permission granted 21 Apr 26.**

8.3.2 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. Conditional permission granted 24 Apr 26.**

8.3.3. 23/01594/AOP Buckinghamshire Marsworth Airfield South Site, Long Marston Road, Marsworth

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. Refused 22 April 2026

8.3.4 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.**

On 16 April 2026 the Development Management Committee refused the Planning Application by Redrow Homes (Harrow Estates) for 1400 Houses on the Marshcroft Greenbelt site. Dacorum still including this in their Local Plan as it believes that 'exceptional' circumstances have been demonstrated to allow the allocation of Tr03 and the allocation remains sound.

9. [26/05/09]: Police report for April

9.1 Nothing of note

10. [26/05/10]: Streets, Footpaths and Recreation Ground

10.1 Recreation Ground:

Equipment inspection. RK reported that water was still coming out of the culvert onto the Rec, even in this dry weather. CK to report in June..

11. [26/05/11]: Items for Information/Discussion

11.1 **Responsible Dog Owners** – finalized literature not yet available

11.2 **CRT** consider wording to reply to CRT's complaint to MPC. Agreed Clerk send 'Stephen Wooler's drafted reply.

11.3 **Time Period for Planning Applications** - noted information from BALC.

- 11.4 **Buckinghamshire Highways Service Changes (FixMyStreet)** Noted.
- 11.5 **Community Infrastructure Levy** consultation ends 24 May 2026
- 11.5 **Zurich Insurance Renewal** due 1 June 26. See 12.1
- 11.7 **Shaping the Future of Bus Services in Buckinghamshire** – MN attended the Webinar on 23 April. Link to website to have your say: <https://yourvoicebucks.citizenspace.com/communities/35d21592/>
- 11.8. BMKALC: Gov.uk Update on **Planning Practice Guidance** April 11th, 2026 – noted. Clerk to send to Cllrs Poll and Brazier. 15 May 26
- 11.9 Michelle Parker the **Community Board Manager** taking on a new role in the Planning, Growth and Sustainability Directorate as Business Strategy Manager and MPC thanked her for her support.
- 11.10 **Section 106 Funding** Request. Clerk has submitted for works – **as previously agreed** - to the village hall totalling £24,977.40 but funding decision delayed until July. Cllr Peter Brazier assisting. Noted.
- 11.11 Section 137 request **Neighbourhood Watch Road Signs** – request for funding circa £100 – see 12.3
- 11.12 **Front page photograph for new website** courtesy of Jeremy White – MPC chose the Church through the lychgate.
- 11.13 **New padlock fitted to Rec Gate.** Code not changed
- 11.14 **Marsworth Parish News** increased costs leading to an £800 pa loss. Consider S137 or Steam Rally support? Clerk to contact Treasurer to request last 3 years' accounts as MPC would also like to consider if there's any other ways to support too.

12. [26/05/12]: Items to Consider for Resolution

- 12.1 **Renewal of Insurance Policy.** It was resolved to approve Zurich on a 3-year term in the sum of **£1,855.02**
- 12.2 It was resolved to approve the **Use of Recreation Ground on Sunday 21 June for the Marsworth Steam Rally vehicle parking.** Risk assessment approved.
- 12.3 It was resolved to approve a **S137 payment for replacement Neighbourhood Watch signs** around the village.

13. [26/05/13]: Finance

13.1 Monthly Finance Statement as at 30 April 2026

Current a/c:		£0.00
Business Reserve a/c:	Includes accrual of £3,500 for special projects	£50,057.01
Direct Debit payments:		
	SSE for March	£118.87
	EON 1 Jan to 31 Mar	£38.54
Receipts	Interest April	£32.79
	Marsworth Parish Council 6 months' precept	£13,525.00
To approve cheques		
Cheque 2063	SP Services for defibrillator pads for village hall	£468.72
Cheque 2064	Mrs C A Smith Apr £721.40 plus postage/Annual Parish Refreshments, Ionos invoices, rec padlock	£911.24
Cheque 2065	HMRC April	£177.80
Cheque 2066	DWD 3 cuts & Marsworth/Pitstone path	£510.00
Cheque 2067	Lamps and Tubes photocells/timers	£1,170.00
Cheque 2068	SLCC Membership	£158.00
Cheque 2069	BALC Membership	£148.08

14. [26/05/14]: Agenda items for next meeting

From Public Participation, Clerk's Report and Requested by Councillors
 Many of the boat owners were permanently mooring without permission, and thus not paying rates. Is Buckinghamshire Council looking into this?

15. [26/05/15]: Date of next Meeting:

Monday 8 June 2026 at 8.00 pm in the Marsworth Millennium Hall.
 There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.50 pm.