

MARCHAM PARISH COUNCIL

To: All Members of the Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Marcham Parish Council to be held on Wednesday 28th September, 2022 at 7.30 p.m. in the village hall, Barrow Close, for the transaction of the business stated below.



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Clerk of the Council
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A G E N D A

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Declarations of Interest
 - a) To receive declarations of interest from councillors on items on the agenda under consideration at this meeting.
 - b) To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any)
 - c) To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate
3. Minutes of the meeting held on 11th July, 2022
4. Matters arising from the meeting held on 11th July, 2022

Howard Cornish Road – Lime Trees
These have now been cut.

Anson Field – Cricket Balls
To note outcome of discussion with Marcham Community Group

5. Public Participation
An opportunity for the public to bring parish matters to the attention of the Council.
6. Planning Applications
 - a) Decisions on previous applications
 - b) Applications dealt with prior to the meeting
P1757/FUL Works to Frilford Junction incorporating: Widening of A415 Kingston Road and A338 Oxford Road with provision of 3 metre wide cycle way on the west side of the A338 and south side of the A415 Kingston Road and widening of the footway to east side of A338 to 2 metres. Widening of A415 Frilford Road with provision of 2 metre wide cycle feeder lane and relocated bus stop waiting area.

Comments: The proposal did not solve long term issues. It did not address air quality, traffic volumes and did not provide for the safety of non motorists using the area.

P22/V1359/HH Two storey rear extension and single storey side extension (amended plans)

35 Anson Close

Comments: Council had no further comments to add

P22/V1545/FUL Improvements to public open space, including footpath connections, landscaping, and swales. (as amended by plans and documentation received 8 August 2022).

Public Open Space - Pointer Place

Comments: Council reiterated earlier concerns regarding lack of connectivity, path surfacing, and drainage being agreed by the relevant authorities.

P22/V0246/FUL open fronted steel frame portal building with walls and roof clad in box profile sheeting for personal use only. (As amended by plan received 21 July)

White Hart Wood, Blackgate Lane

Comments: Whilst the building had been made smaller, the Council's earlier concerns regarding access off the A338, impact on the footpath, effect on wildlife and lack of bat survey were still valid

Details pursuant to Condition 19 (Annual Water Monitoring) of permission MW.0014/22

Upwood Quarry

Comments: The site is upstream of nature reserves. There was no independent check that discharges would not adversely impact the reserves, and concerns were raised that levels of Cadmium were higher than those permitted.

P22/V1269/FUL Erection of new dwelling (amendments)

21 Mill Road

Comments: TBC

c) Applications for consideration at the meeting

None received

7. District Councillor's Report
To receive a report on County Council matters from Cllr. C. Webber.
8. County Councillor's Report.
To receive a report on County Council matters from Cllr. R. Webber.
9. Mill Road – Bridleway 17 – bridge
To receive update report.
10. Oxfordshire County Council – Traffic Filters
To consider the County Council's proposal for 6 traffic filters across routes in Oxford, and any comments to be submitted as part of the consultation.

11. The Crown Public House
To receive and consider an update report on the current situation regarding The Crown public house.
12. Neighbourhood Plan
To receive update report from the working group.
13. Community Facilities
To receive update reports.
 - a) Play Area – inspection update and working party
 - b) Community/Youth Shelter
 - c) Drainage pump
14. Community Speed Watch
To receive a report from the working party.
15. Infographic
To consider the style of infographic seeking assistance for the Council’s projects – drafts circulated
16. Facebook
To consider the possibility of a Facebook page just for Parish Council items.
17. War Memorial
To consider the location of the war memorial and whether it should be re-positioned elsewhere in the parish.
18. Bus Changes
To note that the bus service X1 is now run by Oxford Bus Company and changes to the timetable have occurred.
19. Vale of White Horse District Council – Community Infrastructure Levy funds
To confirm that the District Council continues to hold Community Infrastructure Levy funds on behalf of the Parish Council
20. Duffield Place - dropped kerbs
To note and consider correspondence received from a resident regarding difficulties for those in wheelchairs accessing parts of the village, particularly the areas around Duffield Place including the bus stop.
21. Correspondence
 - a) OALC – newsletter July and August.
 - b) Police/Crime bulletin August and September
 - c) From resident – overgrown hedging on A415 between Abbots Grange and The Willows. Concerns also raised regarding the lack of tarmac path in the Monks Walk development.
 - d) OALC – Draft minutes of its AGM held on 4th July.
 - e) Oxfordshire County Council – EV charging point information – circulated.
 - f) Oxfordshire County Council – Parish Transport Representative meeting Wed. 19th October at 1.30 p.m. via Teams.
 - g) Oxfordshire County Council – Electric blanket testing information

- h) Oxfordshire County Council – A420 roadworks near North Hinksey from 13th September for 10 days resulting in eastbound overnight closure and diversion between 7.00 p.m. and 6.00 a.m.
- i) CU Medical – Defibrillator software upgrade – work carried out on the Council’s defibrillator outside the school on 9th August.
- j) NHS Medication – Notification from NHS of how to obtain emergency prescriptions. This has been given to the editor of the village newsletter for publication.
- k) Oxfordshire Community First – Summer newsletter
- l) Vale of White Horse District Council – Settlement questionnaire as to facilities within the parish. – completed by Clerk.
- m) Vale of White Horse District Council – moving offices from 3rd October to Abbey House, Abingdon.
- n) Oxfordshire Playing Fields Association – Note on inspection of playgrounds.
- o) IF Oxford Science and Ideas Festival – 6th – 30th October, 2022.
- p) Thames Water – Water Resources Forum Thursday 15th September at 10.00 a.m. via Teams.
- q) Marcham Parochial Church Council – Climate Change Fund
The Church had been awarded £5000 for its Climate Change project, and will be inviting discussions with interested stakeholders. They are meeting 12th September. – previously notified to members.
- r) Rural Housing Trust – Notification that a share (69%) in a property within the rural exception site area of Longfields had become available for purchase by someone with a local connection who met the relevant planning criteria.
- s) South and Vale Citizens Advice Bureau – Annual General Meeting Tues 18th October at 6.30 p.m. in the Guildhall, Abingdon.
- t) Oxfordshire Playing Fields Association – AGM, Eynsham Pavilion, at 7.30 p.m.

22. Accounts

- a) To approve accounts for payments as per list circulated to members
- b) To note the accounts for the period ending 30th June 2022.
- c) To consider the appointment of a Member to cross check the accounts for the next quarter.
- d) To note that IAC Audit and Consultancy Ltd has advised that unfortunately it will cease providing internal audit services to the Council owing to staff shortages.

e) Nationwide Building Society account

To note that the one year saver account with the Nationwide Building Society matures on 26th September, 2022.

To consider where to re-invest the balance.

f) Local Audit (Smaller Authorities) Regulations 2015 – Appointment of External Auditor

To note the provisions of the Regulations, and the appointment of an external auditor. To consider whether to remain with the Smaller Authorities Audit Appointed auditor or to opt out of the scheme, and the requirements for doing so.

23. Matters raised by members for information

24. Items for MAD News

25. Date of Next Meeting: To agree the date of the next meeting.