PARISH OF MARSH GIBBON

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Tuesday 9 May 2023 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

PRESENT: Cllrs A Lambourne (Chair), E Taylor (ET), J Smith (JS), R Cross (RC), T Reveler (TR) Also in attendance: Bucks Councillor Angela Macpherson, Carole Jackman (Parish Clerk), and four members of the public.

APOLOGIES: Cllr N Lyon (NL)

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm

1. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 24th May 2022

The minutes of the meeting were agreed and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

2. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising.

3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chair welcomed the Buckinghamshire Councillor, Angela Macpherson, and members of the public to the meeting and then presented his report at **Attachment 1**.

4. MARSH GIBBON CHARITIES REPORT

Chair explained that the Marsh Gibbon Charity is able to make donations to the church, for recreation and for education within the village. Rev David Hiscock's report is at **Attachment 2**.

5. REPORT FROM THAMES VALLEY POLICE (TVP)

A report from the PCSO had not been sent.

6. REPORT FROM BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCILLOR

Buckinghamshire Councillor Angela Macpherson gave a verbal resumé of her report which is at **Attachment 3**.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 LTM Goods Vehicle Operator's License Application

Two members of the public, Paul Hill of W.G.Hill & Sons and the owner of LTM Haulage were present to complain about the objections the Parish Council (PC) and Buckinghamshire Council (BC) had made to the Traffic Commissioner and to ask why the PC had not approached either of them before submitting the objections. It was pointed out that the PC had received a number of requests to object to the application from local residents. They had also asked the PC to contact BC to ask it to send an objection to the Traffic Commissioner. It also was pointed out that Mr Hill and the owner of LTM Haulage could have approached the PC to inform it of their plans.

The following also were noted:

- The owner of LTM Haulage stated that a resident who had previously objected to the application and who had requested the PC to do so, had subsequently withdrawn his objection on condition that the LTM vehicles did not go through the village.
- The owner of LTM Haulage pointed out that the number of vehicles would not increase as he was taking over from a company which had left the W.G.Hill yard and there also were other companies using the yard.
- The owner of LTM Haulage claimed that the address which BC had used on its letter to the Traffic Commissioner was incorrect, however it was pointed out to him that the address used by BC was the same as that given in the Bicester paper advertising the application (Attachment 4) and at the time his application could not be found on the Transport Commissioner's website.
- Mr Hill stated that his lorries only go through Marsh Gibbon early in the morning and return late in the evening and that there are other HGV's / farm vehicles using the village.
- Mr Hill and the owner of LTM Haulage requested that BC withdraw their objection, although the owner of LTM Haulage did state that the objection had been submitted after the deadline.

BC Angela Macpherson agreed to follow this up with BC.

7.2 Station Road parking

Mr Hill had expressed his concern at a previous meeting about parking on Station Road which meant that his lorries had to go quite close to the church wall. He thought that an easy way to rectify this problem was to have double yellow lines painted onto the road. It was pointed out to him that the PC had looked into this and that it would not be approved by the Highways Department. The PC agreed to look into this again.

7.3 Station Road bridge height

Mr Hill raised the issue of the height of the bridge on Station Road. BC Angela Macpherson said that this was with Network Rail to approve.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.25pm.

Mr Hill and the owner of LTM Haulage left the meeting.

Marsh Gibbon Annual Parish Meeting

Tuesday 9 May 2022

Parish Council Chairman's Report

Welcome

Chair welcomed the residents and Bucks Councillor Angela Macpherson to the meeting.

Planning

There were no further major planning issues. Berry Close and Leonard Meadow are now complete and all properties occupied. The shop and post office are open and a great asset to the village. The development at Swan Field (currently referred to as Swan Meadow) is under construction. Planning issues concerning Westbury Terrace are being addressed by the planners at Bucks Council. HGV traffic through the village and street parking in Station Road continues to be a concern.

S106 Money

A contribution of £36,000 from S106 was made towards the village hall car park refurbishment. Additional funding is available for street furniture and we are in the process of negotiating with Bucks Council for funding for a WWI memorial bench. Discussions are on-going on the use of S106 funding from the Swan field site.

Playground and Teenage Recreation Area

A new children's play area has been installed this year. I would like to thank Cllrs Nick Lyon and Richard Cross for their work towards achieving this. The playground was open by Greg Smith, MP in 2022.

Skateboarding

The skateboarding continues to be successful and has been financed through grants until now. The Parish Council does not want the skateboarding to stop and is investigating further funding streams.

Cemetery

The Parish Council still is concerned about the condition of the new pathways and believe that the problems have been caused by the clay soil drying out and collapsing of tree roots. We have removed some of the offending trees and more will be removed this year.

Village Maintenance

Ware Pond has been cleaned this year and thanks go to those who got into the pond to remove the vegetation.

Finance

This year's precept was increased by 2.67% to £27,000. The balances are as follows:

Current Account (as at 9 May)	£34,205.00
Outstanding invoices	£6285.00
Balance	£27,919.00
Earmarked reserve account	£26,783.00
Total in bank	£54,703.00

At the next finance meeting we will discuss how much should be transferred from the current account to the earmarked reserve account.

Christmas Tree

Thanks go to all the volunteers who every year help erect and take down the Christmas Tree which is always a great success. The tree is funded by the Parish Council.

Facebook

Thanks go to Cllr Nick Lyon who runs the Facebook page which is an important means of communication with residents.

Jubilee Plantation

Thanks to all those involved with restoring the Jubilee Plantation which has become a place of education and fun for the children from Marsh Gibbon school.

Ewelme Meetings

Two meetings with representatives from the Ewelme Trust have been held with Parish Councillors which we hope to continue if we have any concerns.

Community Pub

Unfortunately, the Community Pub project did not succeed but not because of a lack of effort or community will.

Retirement and Future

It was with sadness that the Council accepted the retirement of Penny Evershed who had been clerk and councillor over the last 30 years. We wish her well in her retirement.

Thanks

To all my fellow councillors a big thank you for all the work you have done throughout the year. This is a team effort.

Thanks to Carole, Council Clerk, for keeping us all together, efficiently and organised.

Marsh Gibbon Charities Report

I provide below a copy of the article contained in the May issue of Life Together (page 21) and grateful if this can be given as the 'Charities Report' at the annual meeting tomorrow. Many thanks.

"The Trustees of the three Marsh Gibbon Village Charities wish to advise residents they have experienced extreme problems with Barclays Bank for over three years, which have prevented access and management of the charity funds held by the Bank. Following formal complaints earlier in the process the Bank acknowledged responsibility and awarded compensation of £500 but unfortunately this situation has continued and even worsened. The Trustees have made further formal complaints to the Bank and to the Official Ombudsman and await developments".

Rev David Hiscock

Buckinghamshire Council Annual Report to Parish Councils

May 2023

This report provides a short update on some the past year's activities and achievements for Buckinghamshire Council and reflect the four corporate priorities of the Council

- Strengthening our Communities
- Protecting the Vulnerable
- Improving our Environment
- Increasing Prosperity

The following table provides a snapshot of some key Buckinghamshire Council achievements from the year 2022-23. The full Buckinghamshire Council Annual Report 2022-23 will be available after full Council sign off on the 17 May 2023.

STRENGTHENING OUR COMMUNITIES

- Our 16 Community Boards have continued to move forward in bringing together local communities to discuss and agree priorities to tackle local issues. In the year 2021/22, they delivered 415 projects totalling some £3.2m. Since their launch in 2020, 841 projects have been delivered totalling £4.9m.
- We helped thousands of customers inc. 367,300 calls handled, 5,815,584 visits to our website, 29,334 webchats and 23,740 face-to-face visits.
- Launched our Buckinghamshire Swan Envoy Scheme, a network of ambassadors who help to inspire, encourage others and promote Buckinghamshire.
- Trained 20 volunteer cooking tutors to deliver targeted 5-week cookery courses to key community groups across Bucks.
- Through our Buckinghamshire Active
 Communities (piloted in priority wards in
 Aylesbury and Wycombe), supported
 residents to reduce their sedentary
 behaviour by helping everyone to make
 small daily changes to increase their
 movement. By working with over 60
 partners to implement changes to
 encourage more movement, we engaged
 with 4,826 residents including 1200 children
 through schools.

PROTECTING THE VULNERABLE

- Nearly 14,000 children and young people eligible for free school meals, early years pupil premium or 2-year-old funded early education are receiving additional support through the Household Support Grant in the form of supermarket vouchers for the school holidays.
- Under the Council Tax Energy Rebate
 Scheme and in addition our own Helping
 Hand Scheme, we have paid out £19.2m to
 over 137,254 Buckinghamshire households
 so far. £18.8m was given out under the
 mandatory scheme and £444k under the
 discretionary scheme (12,071 households).
- Increase in in-house fostering capacity resulting in 1670 in house placements as at end of November 2022, compared to 130 in April 2018.
- Increase in the number of adoptive families, up from four between April and September 2021 to 11 between April and September 2022.
- In November 2022, 70% of the percentage of 19–21-year-olds who have left care were in education, employment or training, compared to 57% across the South East.
- From April 2022 to end November 2022
 Live Well Stay Well (LWSW) received 8259
 referrals compared to 6,231 for the same period in 2021. During the same period,

- 9,569 baby and young child checks by Health Visitors in Buckinghamshire between April and September 2022
- 6,736 free NHS Health Checks have been delivered to those aged 40-74, which identifies early signs of stroke, kidney disease, heart disease, type 2 diabetes or dementia.
- As of 21 March, around 3.5m visits to our leisure centres in 2022/23, and lots of new activities to help people stay healthy.
- An additional 555 affordable homes were delivered via Registered Provider partners during the 12 months from October 2021 to September 2022.
- Joined the Making Every Adult Matter network to work intensively with people who are facing multiple disadvantages.

- 1542 adults accessed a weight management service through LWSW programme compared to 1047 for the same period in 2021. 72% of adults completing the weight management programme achieving a 3% weight loss and 57% achieving 5% weight loss.
- 7,200 Home to School Transport
 passengers transported to school every day
 with over 458 families taking up personal
 transport budgets
- Community Safety Officers, Street
 Wardens and Neighbourhood Policing
 teams carried out 55 visits throughout
 November and December to encourage
 premises to sign up to the Ask for Angela
 scheme.
- As part of White Ribbon Day (WRD) we, with Thames Valley Police, held 16 days of action.
- Recruited a further 186 Domestic Abuse Champions.
- Increased satisfaction survey results show the proportion of people who are satisfied with their care and support still above average at 66%
- Public Health have supported the NHS to see over 180,000 people receive a covid autumn booster vaccine within Buckinghamshire. This is over 70% of over 50's and over 85% of over 75's
- Buckinghamshire has welcomed families fleeing warzones. We have accommodated 15 families from Afghanistan and have welcomed 1500+ Ukrainian guests into the County.
- We've set up an innovative local crisis fund with local charity partner Heart of Bucks to provide further help to residents experiencing cost-of-living hardship. This has raised a further £180,000 to date, giving us an extra pot of money through which to help residents in need.

IMPROVING OUR ENVIRONMENT

Five Green Flag awards for our parks: Heartlands in Buckingham, Vale Park and Bedgrove Park in Aylesbury, Higginson Park

INCREASING PROSPERITY

Agreed the Buckinghamshire Strategic
 Vision for 2050 setting out the current
 strengths and opportunities present within

- in Marlow and Hughenden Park in High Wycombe.
- We have completed 31 prosecutions, 20 fixed penalty notices and 18 simple cautions for fly tipping offences.
- Completed 17,484 pothole repairs.
- Continue to deliver against our commitment to spend over £100m making improvements to our highways network.
- As of 20 March a total of 18,900 trees have been planted with an additional 14,900 by the end of the financial year.
- Launched a demand responsive transport pilot in High Wycombe delivering 25,000 trips since the launch and is now exceeding 250 passengers a day.
- Secured Government grants in excess of £10.3m to progress climate change projects.

- our county and setting out our aims and ambitions to achieve a thriving, resilient, and successful Buckinghamshire
- Secured £5.8m from the UK Shared
 Prosperity Fund which will support a range of local priorities including support local business, communities and place and people and skills.
- Allocated £1.8m of funding through the Rural England Prosperity Fund for grants to rural businesses
- The Council spent £22.8m of s106 funds on infrastructure to mitigate the impacts of new.
- The Council has continued to support local businesses negatively impacted by Covid and has paid £3.5m to 126 businesses of COVID-19 Additional Relief Fund (CARF). The fund was available to support those businesses affected by the pandemic but that were ineligible for existing support linked to business rates.
- The Council paid £3.4 million to 917 businesses under the Omicron Hospitality and Leisure Grant (OHLG). The main benefactors of this grant are restaurants, cafes and public houses.
- Buckinghamshire Council recruited 45
 young people on six-month contracts as
 part of the Government Kickstart scheme.
 17 Kickstarters have secured a permanent
 role within the Council.
- 89.3% of schools are rated good or outstanding by Ofsted compared to 88.5% nationally (November 2022), and 98% of early years providers are also rated good or outstanding, compared to 97% nationally.
- Key Stage 4 (GCSE and equivalent) results continue to be above national. In 2022, the Attainment 8 score in Buckinghamshire was 57.3 compared to the national figure of 48.8.

Buckinghamshire Council also launched the Parish Charter to articulate and demonstrate the Council's commitment to work together with all local councils in Buckinghamshire and we have developed an action plan alongside it.

As Councils within Buckinghamshire we all have a common purpose to improve the economic, environmental, health and social wellbeing of Buckinghamshire. Parish councils work within tight financial constraints, represent communities at a truly local level and are a vital key connection between the unitary council and our communities.

As your locally elected councillor I look forward to continuing to work closely with you in the year ahead and be on hand to address local issues to help improve services and the lives of the residents we all represent.

Angela Macpherson

Councillor Grendon Underwood Ward

Traffic Commissione

Goods Vehicle Operator's Licence

LTM Haulage Ltd of 5 Cherwell Close, Bicester OX26 2AH is applying to change an existing licence as follows: To add an operating centre to keep 5 goods vehicles and 5 trailers at W G Hill and Son, Marsh Gibbon & Poundon Station, Station Road, Marsh Gibbon, Bicester OX27 OAX. Owners or occupiers of land (including buildings) near the operating centre(s) who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected, should make written representations to the Traffic Commissioner at Hillcrest House, 386 Harehills Lane, Leeds LS9 6NF stating their reasons, within 21 days of this notice. Representors must at the same time send a copy of their representations to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A Guide to Making Representations is available from the Traffic Commissioner's Office.

APPENDIX 2

LTM HAULAGE LTD Director(s): Depinder Gill

30 DURHAM AVENUE, HOUNSLOW, TW5 0HG Operating Centre: PLOT19, COURT LANE ESTATES, COURT LANE, IVER, SL0 9HL Authorisation: 2 vehicle(s) Transport Manager(s): Depinder Gill

Publication: A&D East of England(5178), New Application

Date: 11 Jul 2018

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LTM HAULAGE LTD Director(s): DARREN MARSHALL-DEANE

5 CHERWELL CLOSE, BICESTER, OX26 2AH Operating Centre: HANSON QUARRY, APPLEFORD DEPOT. APPLEFORD SIDINGS, ABINGDON, OX14 4TE Authorisation: 5 vehicle(s), 5 trailer(s) Transport Manager(s): DARREN JOHN MARSHALL-DEANE

Publication: A&D West of England (5791), New Application

Date: 23 Feb 2023

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LTM HAULAGE LTD Director(s): Depinder Kaur Gill

30 DURHAM AVENUE, HOUNSLOW, TW5 0HG Increase at existing operating centre: DRY

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LTM HAULAGE LTD

Licence details (OH2061680)

Business type	Limited Company
Trading names	
Directors	DARREN MARSHALL-DEANE
Licence type	
Licence status	Under Consideration
Continuation date	
Traffic area	West of England
Contact details	

APPENDIX 4

