

MUCH MARCLE PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Councillors are summoned to attend a Meeting of Much Marcle Parish Council at Much Marcle Memorial Hall on Wednesday, 12th March at 7.30pm, for the purpose of transacting the business set out below.

The public are cordially invited to attend.

AGENDA

- 1. To receive and accept apologies for absence.**
- 2. To receive any declarations of interest or written applications for dispensation from Councillors on agenda items.**
- 3. Open Session:**
 - a. To receive a report from the Ward Councillor.
 - b. To receive representations from the public.
Designated maximum period of 15 minutes to accommodate members of the public who may wish to raise relevant issues or ask the Parish Council Questions in respect of business itemised on the agenda and shall not speak for more than three minutes.
- 4. To agree and sign the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 8th January 2025.**
- 5. Much Marcle Memorial Hall:**
 - a. To receive a report from the parish council representative and agree any actions.
- 6. Highways:**
 - a. To receive a report on the progress of the Community Speedwatch Group and agree any actions required.
 - b. To receive an update on the progress of SIDS and agree actions.
 - c. To consider the parishioner email on the need for more and cleaner 30mph signs through the village.
 - d. To review the positions of grit bins following the receipt of the maps from Balfour Beatty and consider any areas which may require one.
 - e. To consider any other matters arising from the Highways Working Group.
- 7. Footpaths:**
 - a. To receive a report on the Footpath Regeneration Project and agree any actions.
 - b. To receive a report on any other Footpath matters arising and agree actions.
- 8. Planning:**
 - a. To comment on Planning Applications for Determination by Herefordshire Council:
 - 250515 Serendipity House Single storey extension.
 - 250518 The Bounds, proposed variation of conditions of planning permissions 223195
 - 250479 Oakfields, proposed extension and alterations.
 - b. To note Planning Responses Submitted between Meetings under Devolved Powers:
 - 250540 – Permission in Principle, Dymock Road. – Objection sent.
 - c. To note Planning decisions made by Herefordshire Council:
 - 243157 Caerswell Farm Listed Building Consent – REFUSED
 - 242396 Hardwick Oaks vehicular access – APPROVED with CONDITIONS
 - 242866 Pound Cottage, replacement outbuilding APPROVED with CONDITIONS
 - 230691 Dobbins Pitch APPROVED with CONDITIONS
- 9. Assets:**
 - a. To arrange a timescale for the agreed bus shelter repairs and agree actions.
 - b. To receive a report on the condition of the trees at Bartons Field following the recent storms.
 - c. To note the reply sent to Place Group (company formalising the Primary School Academy status) stating responsibilities of Bartons Field. Appendix 1

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- d. To consider the request for a fete and dog show to be held on The Bartons on either 26th or 27th July in aid of the Community Shop.

10. Environment and Community:

- a. To note that the Community Litter Pick day will also be advertised and used as a general spring tidy of the parish.
- b. To consider a Flooding Working Group to address this specific problem in the parish and agree actions.
- c. To receive a report from the Environment Working Group on flooding findings to date.
- d. To note councillor attendance at the Local Nature Recovery Mapping Webinar and hear a report on the Local Nature Recovery Plan.
- e. To consider the instruction for 1 or 2 cuts of the verges in 2025 and agree actions. Appendix 2

11. Finance

- a. To note the Bank Reconciliation and Bank Balances for January and February 2025. - Appendix 3
- b. To note the financial internal controls review by Cllr Baldwin on 5th March, check of all invoices, bank statements and regular payments.
- c. To consider the Risk Assessment for any changes over the last financial year and agree actions Appendix 4
- d. To consider the La Barroux Grant request from the primary school for £270gross/£225net for a whole school French Language annual online subscription and agree actions.
- e. To note the increase in the ICO subscription fee from £35 to £47 due by DD on the 26th March.
- f. To consider the following invoices for payment:
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| • Clerk's Expenses Microsoft Licence and litter hoops | £63.79net/£76.55gr |
| • HALC Annual Affiliation Fee | £657.70net/£789.24gr |
| • MMMH Hall Hire January | £15 |
- g. To ratify regular payments made between meetings:
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| • Clerk Salary December, January, February | As per contract |
| • Unity Bank Service Charges 31.01.25 | £6 |
- h. To ratify payments made between meetings: None
- i. To ratify payments made from the Awards for All Footpath Grant:
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| • Ultimate One Limited Footbridge anti-slip wire | £114.45net/£137.34gr |
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- j. To note income received:
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| • HCC Bartons Rental | £75.00 |
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- k. To note virements made between Unity Accounts:
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| • Instant access to current total | £1000 |
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12. Training:

- a. To note any training that has been undertaken and consider any training needs.

13. Diary Dates:

- a. To consider an event to mark VE Day 80, 9.30pm on the 8th May 2025.
- b. To note the Annual Parish Meeting agreed for the 16th April 2025 from 7pm. To consider whether refreshments are required.
- c. To consider meeting dates for 2025/26 as 14th May, 9th July, 10th September, 12th November, 14th January and 11th March.
- d. To consider Clerks request for annual leave the weeks commencing the 19th and 26th May and 1st September.

14. Correspondence:

- Next Parish Summit is Tuesday 8th April 5.30pm-9pm.
- To note the Hills Ford Stages information sessions at The Royal Oak, Much Marcle on 5th April 2-4pm and 5-7pm.

15. To consider items for the next meeting – no discussion.

16. To note the date of the next meeting.

Rachel Freestone

Date: 7th March 2025

Rachel Freestone Much Marcle Parish Council Clerk