



If you have any questions etc that you wish to ask regarding this meeting please contact the Clerk on 01622 832305 or email clerk@mardenkent-pc.gov.uk.

TO ALL MEMBERS OF MARDEN PARISH COUNCIL

Dear Councillor

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO ATTEND the Parish Council meeting of Marden Parish Council to be held on Tuesday 9th September 2025 at 7.30pm in the Main Hall, Marden Memorial Hall, Goudhurst Road, Marden TN12 9JX

Alison Hooker

Alison Hooker (Mrs)
Clerk to Marden Parish Council
2nd September 2025
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AGENDA

051/25 PRESENT

052/25 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence to be received.
Cllrs to inform the Clerk by 5.00pm on 9th September if they will not be attending the meeting.

053/25 COUNCILLOR INFORMATION

Declaration of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests
Changes to Register of Interest
Granting of Dispensation

054/25 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

To receive and accept as a true record the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12th August 2025.

[Full Council Minutes & Agendas - Marden Parish Council - Marden Parish Council, Marden, Tonbridge \(mardenkent-pc.gov.uk\)](#)

055/25 IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS INVOLVING PUBLIC SPEAKING

Members of the public to make themselves known to the meeting as to whether they wish to raise any issue under this item.

056/25 UPDATE ON LAND NORTH OF MARDEN

Cllrs to receive and comment on an update from the Maidstone Borough Council pre-application meeting held on 28th August 2025.

The meeting to be adjourned for the following to speak:

Borough/County Councillors
Residents

The meeting will continue to be adjourned for the following to speak on any other issue/item on the agenda:

PUBLIC FORUM

Members of the public will be given the opportunity to raise any issue under this item.

EXTERNAL VERBAL REPORTS (if in attendance)

County Councillor Report
Borough Councillors Report
Police

The meeting to be reconvened to discuss item 057/25 onwards.

057/25 CLERK'S REPORT

To receive and note the Clerk's report.

058/25 PARISH MATTERS

Reports from MBC and KCC

Cllrs to receive and note written report from Borough and County Councillors

Police Update/Report from Police Forum

Crime Figures

Cllr Rabot to provide a report on receive crime figures.

Crime Figures can be found at: [Marden and Yalding | Your area | Kent Police | Kent Police](#)

Other Police Matters

Communication

Newsletter

[MPC Newsletters - Marden Parish Council Marden, Tonbridge, Kent - Marden Parish Council, Marden, Tonbridge](#)

Marden Flooding

Cllrs to receive response from Southern Water

Infrastructure Spend Plan (ISP)

Cllrs to receive any updates on the ISP

[MPC Infrastructure Spend Plan - Marden Parish Council - Marden Parish Council, Marden, Tonbridge](#)

Changing Rooms Refurbishment

Cllrs to receive any updates on the refurbishment and discuss next steps.

Meeting with Katie Lam MP

Provisional date arranged for 16th January 2026

Resilience Planning

Cllrs to consider the next steps proposed by the Resilience Planning Sub-Group

Public Conveniences – Solar Panels

Cllrs to consider response from MBC regarding the licence and instructing legal advice.

Cllrs to discuss next steps for solar panel installation

Community Cohesion Concerns (Flags on Lampposts)

Cllrs to note email received from MBC

059/25 COMMITTEE REPORTS

Amenities Committee

There was no Amenities Committee meeting held in August.

Previous minutes can be viewed at [Amenities Committee Minutes & Agendas - Marden Parish Council - Marden Parish Council, Marden, Tonbridge](#)

Planning Committee

To note the Minutes of Planning Committee meetings held on 19th August and 2nd September which had been previously circulated and available on the Parish Council website.

[Planning Committee Minutes & Agendas - Marden Parish Council - Marden Parish Council, Marden, Tonbridge](#)

Finance Committee

There was no Finance Committee meeting held in August.

Previous minutes can be viewed at [Finance Committee Minutes & Agendas - Marden Parish Council - Marden Parish Council, Marden, Tonbridge](#)

Conferences/Meetings/Webinars/Other attended

Those in attendance to update the meeting on the following:

Blue Light Event @ Staplehurst – 16th August

Meet the Cllrs (outside Marden Library) – 23rd August

Police Surgery – 26th August

MBC Meeting – 28th August – update provided at the start of the meeting

Resilience Planning Meeting – 28th August – raised at item 058/25

SLCC Transfer of Assets webinar – 1st September

Community Forum – 4th September

KALC Procurement Webinar – 8th September

Highways (HIP) Meeting – 8th September

Memorial Hall meeting – 8th September

Mulberry Procurement/Tendering webinar – 9th September

Conferences/Meetings/Webinars/Events forthcoming

KALC Finance Conference – 12th September

SLCC Excel course – Module 1 webinar – 16th September

KALC Area Committee Meeting – 20th September

Meeting with Primary Academy Principal – 22nd September

Mulberry: Council Finance Essentials – 23rd September

SLCC Excel course – Module 2 webinar – 25th September

ACV Sub-Group – 27th September (tbc)

Marden Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group – 30th September

MBC CIL/S106 training – 30th September

Mulberry Audit and Transparency Webinar – 2nd October

Communications Sub-Group meeting – 6th October

Scribe Finance Conference (virtual) – 9th October

060/25 CORRESPONDENCE

The following items and for noting:

Marden Parish Council Office Correspondence Log – August

Marden Parish Church Magazine

KALC Newsletter

Clerk/Council publications

Thank you letter from Kent Surrey Sussex Air Ambulance Charity

061/25 FINANCE

Bank Statements:

The Clerk to provide details at the meeting.

Payments for Approval

Invoices for Payment

Invoices due to payment to be submitted to the meeting.

Other Financial Issues

Request for grant funding

062/25 HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Highways

Highways Improvement Plan (HIP)

New priority list submitted to Kent Highways.

[MPC Highways Improvement Plan - Marden Parish Council - Marden Parish Council, Marden, Tonbridge](#)

Cllrs to be provided with an update from the HIP meeting held on 8th September.

Fingerposts

Cllrs to receive update from County Cllr Black on the Plain Road fingerpost sign.

Speedwatch

Cllrs to note dates for future sessions.

Public Transport