



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](mailto:clerk@mardenkent-pc.gov.uk).

## **TO ALL MEMBERS OF MARDEN PARISH COUNCIL**

Dear Councillor

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO ATTEND the meeting of Marden Parish Council to be held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at 7.30pm at The Allens, Albion Road, Marden, Kent.

*Alison Hooker*

Alison Hooker (Mrs)  
Clerk to Marden Parish Council

### **AGENDA**

#### **059/24 PRESENT**

Cllrs to inform the Clerk by 5.00pm on the day of the meeting if they will be taking part in the meeting.

#### **060/24 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive apologies for absence.

Cllrs to inform the Clerk by 5.00pm on the day of the meeting if they will not be taking part in the meeting.

#### **061/24 COUNCILLOR INFORMATION**

**Declaration of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests**

**Changes to Register of Interest**

**Granting of Dispensation**

#### **062/24 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

To receive and accept as true records the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> August 2024 and the Extra Ordinary Full Council meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2024.

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

#### **063/24 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.

The meeting to be adjourned for the following items:

#### **PUBLIC FORUM**

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

#### **ILOS New Energy UK**

The Managing Director of ILOS New Energy has been invited to speak in regard to the letter received for the proposed solar development in Pattenden Lane (see item 067/24 for letter).

#### **EXTERNAL REPORTS - VERBAL**

**County Councillor Report**

**Borough Councillors Report**

The meeting to be reconvened to discuss item 064/24 onwards.

#### **064/24 CLERK'S REPORT**

To receive and note the Clerk's report.

**065/24 PARISH MATTERS****Written Reports received from MBC and KCC****Police Update**Crime Figures

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

Other Police Issues

The Maidstone Independent Advisory Group (IAG) has requested to hold an open meeting in Marden on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2024. Cllrs to consider covering the cost of the hall hire at Marden Memorial Hall.

**Communication**Newsletter**Marden Flooding/Water****Marden Changing Room**

Request for plans to be drawn up have been submitted to the architect. The Clerk to provide Cllrs with any questions which may arise from this request.

**Cemetery**Exclusive Right of Burial Certificates

Exclusive Rights of Burial certificates to be signed by Cllrs

**Marden Playing Field**

Email from Southern Water regarding additional works required.

**066/24 COMMITTEE REPORTS****Amenities Committee**

Cllrs to note the Minutes of Amenities Committee meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> October (deferred from 24<sup>th</sup> September) and available on the Parish Council website.

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

**Planning Committee**

Cllrs to note the Minutes of Planning Committee meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> August and 3<sup>rd</sup> September would be available following the Planning meeting and available on the Parish Council website.

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

**Finance Committee**

No Finance Committee meeting was held in September. The next meeting will be on 29<sup>th</sup> October to discuss draft budget.

**Conferences/Meetings/Webinars attended**

Those in attendance to update the meeting on the following:

Ward Cluster Meeting – 10<sup>th</sup> September

Community Forum – 12<sup>th</sup> September

Borough Cllr Meeting – 16<sup>th</sup> September

Memorial Hall Meeting – 16<sup>th</sup> September

KALC Finance Conference – 17<sup>th</sup> September

Maidstone Independent Advisory Group (IAG) Meeting – 17<sup>th</sup> September

Cemetery Sub-Committee meeting – 19<sup>th</sup> September

Making Space for Nature – 26<sup>th</sup> September

PPG Meeting – 26<sup>th</sup> September

KALC Area Committee – 30<sup>th</sup> September

KCC Making Space for Nature Priorities Species Workshop – 1<sup>st</sup> October

Nature Prescribing Meeting – 1<sup>st</sup> October

Parish Councils Environmental Network Meeting – 2<sup>nd</sup> October

Cloudy IT/Microsoft 365 Training – 3<sup>rd</sup> October

Environmental Sub-Group workshop – 7<sup>th</sup> October

**Conferences/Meetings/Webinars/Events forthcoming**

KALC Standards Conference – 10<sup>th</sup> October  
 Kent Rail Summit – 17<sup>th</sup> October  
 KALC Advanced Planning Training – 17<sup>th</sup> October  
 KALC HR Training – 30<sup>th</sup> October  
 KALC Climate Change Seminar – 5<sup>th</sup> November  
 Environmental Sub-Group – 19<sup>th</sup> November  
 KCC Highways Seminar – 20<sup>th</sup> November

**067/24 CORRESPONDENCE****Proposed Solar Farm**

Cllrs to receive correspondence from ILOS New Energy re proposed solar farm in Pattenden Lane.

**Discretionary Rate Relief Policy Consultation**

Cllrs to consider the Rate Relief consultation document (closing date 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024)

[Discretionary Rate Relief Policy Consultation 2024 | Lets Talk Maidstone \(engagementhq.com\)](https://www.engagementhq.com)

**22/501335/FULL (APP/72235/W/23/3321094) PROW Diversion KM248(part)****Land North of Little Cheveney Farm, Sheephurst Lane, Marden**

Cllrs to view details of PROW (Diversion) KM248 (part) on land North of Little Cheveney Farm, Sheephurst Lane, Marden

**MPC Correspondence Log**

Cllrs to receive office correspondence log for September

[Correspondence Log - Marden Parish Council - Marden Parish Council, Marden, Tonbridge \(mardenkent-pc.gov.uk\)](https://www.mardenkent-pc.gov.uk)

Cllrs to receive the following correspondence:

**Marden Parish Church Magazine**

October edition for information

**KALC Newsletter**

October edition – previously circulated to Cllrs

**Clerks & Councils Direct**

September edition for noting

**The Clerk**

September edition for noting

**068/24 FINANCE****(A) Bank Statements:**

The Clerk to provide details at the meeting.

**(B) Payments for Approval****Electronic Payments**

Invoices due to payment to be submitted to the meeting.

**051/24 HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT****Highways****Public Transport**

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024

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Local electors and the press are entitled to listen to Parish Council Meetings but not to take part. An opportunity to speak will be given at the beginning of Council Business in line with MPC's Public Participation Policy [Microsoft Word - Public Participation Policy March 2024 \(mardenkent-pc.gov.uk\)](https://www.mardenkent-pc.gov.uk).