



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 10th February 2026 at 7.30pm at The Allens, Albion Road, Marden

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Clerk to Marden Parish Council

5th February 2026

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Members of the public and press are welcome to attend this meeting and may speak during the public adjournment at the discretion of the Chairman and in accordance with standing order 1 e-g. Questions relating to any other items that are not on this agenda should be referred to the Chair of the Council or Clerk as appropriate and outside this meeting.

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Marden Parish Council operates under General Power of Competence since adopted on 7th May 2024. Minute Reference 012/24.

AGENDA

114/26 PRESENT

115/26 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence to be received.

Cllrs to inform the Clerk by 5.00pm on 10th February 2026 if they will not be attending the meeting.

116/26 COUNCILLOR INFORMATION

Declaration of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Changes to Register of Interest

Granting of Dispensation

117/26 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

To receive and accept as a true record the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13th January and the Minutes of the EFCM held on 27th January 2026.

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

Copy in meeting pack.

118/27 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:

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 102/25 onwards.

119/26 CLERK'S REPORT

To receive and note the Clerk's report.
Copy in meeting pack.

120/26 PARISH MATTERS

Reports from MBC and KCC

Cllrs to receive and note written reports from Borough and County Councillors
Borough Cllr reports in meeting pack.

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

Update from Police Surgery held on 4th February

Police and Community Protection Team will be in attendance at the Village Café on Friday 13th March

Communication

Newsletter

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

Marden Flooding

Cllrs to receive and updates from Southern Water

Infrastructure Spend Plan (ISP)

Cllrs to receive any new requests for inclusion in 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, tendering and discuss next steps.

Public Conveniences – Solar Panels

Cllrs to receive updates on licence and structural work

Allotments

Cllrs to receive update from Redrow solicitors.

Cllrs to consider next steps for allotment transfer.

Asset Transfer Working Group

Cllrs to receive update from Working Group.

Meeting with Katie Lam MP

Cllrs to receive update from meeting held with Katie Lam on 30th January 2026.

Meet the Council

Cllrs to receive update from Meet the Council held on 31st January 2026

Marden Parish Council Open Morning

Cllrs to receive information regarding the open morning on 7th March 2026

Chairmen's Board

Cllrs to consider quotes received for updating the Chairmen's board in the Parish Office – report in meeting papers.

MPC Policies

Cllrs to review Council and GDPR Policies for ratification at the March Full Council meeting. Links can be found at [Policies & Procedures - Marden Parish Council - Marden Parish Council, Marden, Tonbridge](#)

Full Council Action Log

For Cllrs to note.

[Full Council Meeting Action Log.xlsx](#)

121/26 COMMITTEE REPORTS**Amenities Committee**

Cllrs to note the Minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting held on 27th January which had previously been circulated and were available on the Parish Council website.

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

Planning Committee

Cllrs to note the Minutes of Planning Committee meeting held on 16th December and 6th January 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

Cllrs to note the Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 20th January which had previously been circulated and were available on the Parish Council website.

[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:

Community Forum – 22nd January

Memorial Hall Trustees meeting – 26th January

KALC Area Committee meeting – 26th January

Visit from Katie Lam – 30th January

Meet the Council – 31st January

KALC AI Training – 3rd February

KALC Neighbourhood Area Committees webinar – 4th February

Police Surgery – 4th February

Carbon Literacy Training – 5th February

School Parking (Staplehurst PC) – 9th February

Conferences/Meetings/Webinars/Events forthcoming

Village Events Sub-Group meeting – 12th February

Communications Sub-Group meeting – 12th February

Environmental Sub-Group meeting – 17th February

Resilience Cluster Meeting – 26th February

Reg 14 consultation – 2nd March to 17th April

KALC – Supporting Older People webinar – 6th March
MPC Open Morning – 7th March

122/26 CORRESPONDENCE

The following items are for noting:

Marden Parish Council Office Correspondence Log – January
Marden Parish Church Magazine
KALC Newsletter
Clerk/Council publications

123/26 FINANCE

Bank Statements:

The Clerk to provide details at the meeting.

Payments for Approval

Invoices for Payment

Invoices due for payment to be submitted to the meeting.

Grant Applications

Cllrs to consider two grant applications received

Parish Services Scheme Grant 2026/2027

Cllrs to note amount due for 2026/27

124/26 HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Highways

Highways Improvement Plan (HIP)

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

Other Highways Issues

Update from Highways Working Group meeting – notes in meeting pack

Speedwatch

Cllrs to note dates for future sessions.

Public Transport

Meeting with Southeastern/Network Rail – update from meeting held on 9th January.

Meeting papers can be found separately to the agenda at: [Full Council Minutes & Agendas - Marden Parish Council - Marden Parish Council, Marden, Tonbridge](#)

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