

Marshfield Parish Council held a meeting on Tuesday 20th May 2025 in Tolzey Hall following the Annual Parish Council Meeting.

Cllrs present: Cllr G LeMasonry, Cllr H Finnegan, Cllr D Brooks, Cllr R Friend,
Cllr B Homent, Cllr R Snow.
Cllr M Palmer

Members of the Public - 1

Apologies – Cllr A Christie, Cllr P Hogben, Cllr L Cousins

Confirmation of previous minutes

Proposed by Cllr Brooks, seconded by Cllr Snow, carried unanimously.

Items from the public

None

Matters arising

- a.) Highway Matters – Potholes on Ashwicke Road and Market Place to be reported. Road surveying for potholes to take place in the next 10 days. Petition for extra parking at Withymead handed to Cllr Palmer for presentation at the full council meeting on Wednesday. Grass cutting on A420 to be chased up cc Cllr Palmer.
- b.) Marshfield Outdoor Recreation Association – Nothing.
- c.) Marshfield Community Land Trust – Completion due beginning of August.
- d.) Local Environment – Awaiting new machinery for grass cut and collect at Ringswell.

Planning

139 High Street. Works to fell 1 Holly Tree and 2 Birch Trees all within Marshfield conservation area. P25/01070/TCA

No objection proposed by Cllr Snow, seconded by Cllr Homent, carried unanimously.

4 Market Place. Alterations to the north elevation of existing garden shed to raise the roofline (attached to 2 Market Place a Grade II listed building). P25/01055/LB

No objection proposed by Cllr Brooks, seconded by Cllr Finnegan, carried unanimously.

Approved Planning

71 High Street. External works rear elevation to remove existing render and apply lime render.

P25/00002/LB

Springs Farm Middledown Road. Creation of vehicular access onto classified (Class C) highway.

Erection of 1 entrance gate and section of stone walling. P25/00523/F

139 High Street. Works to various trees. P25/00805/TCA

Extra Bins in Lay-Bys

Proposal to place a bin off the path to Wheatfield Barns once pathway surface finished. Pending ownership of the verge, bin to be placed off footway within the verge area.

Removal of the green bin in Market place would cover the emptying cost of one new bin.

An additional bin to be placed in the lay-by next to Home Barns at the same time when the pathway is finished.

Extra cost would be for 2 new bins plus one new collection.

PC agreed to add new bin at Home Barns and schedule Wheatfield Barns Lay by bin when pavement finished.

Proposals for Tree Work at Cemetery

PC discussed and agreed to remove the two Holly trees either side of the Copper Beach in front of the Cemetery to allow the Copper Beach to flourish. Tidy up the garden at the front of the building and prune back and around the Holm Oak in the south west corner of the Cemetery.

Proposed by Cllr Homent, seconded by Cllr Snow, carried unanimously.

The felled tree stumps to be left for a couple of months to decide how to finish them.

Correspondence

James Moon SGC – Re quality of road repairs. Await further response re road improvement schemes

Iain Gordon Ingram – Manhole at Ringswell. Wessex Water contacted by PC and came out to replace cover.

PC to follow up with Wessex re next actions to stop it happening again.

Finance

After the following transactions the balances are: C/A £284.46 D/A £85,239.76 NatWest £28,232.57

T/F £12,000 from D/A to C/A

Nest	£71.16	Pension payments
South Glos Council	£733.97	Amenity grass cutting and Dog waste collectio
British Gas	£16.14	Gas at Pavilion
British Gas	£23.08	Electricity at Pavilion
South Glos Council	£36.40	Litter collection at Withymead
Prestige Grounds	£1,604.69	Grass cutting at Withymead and Cemetery
Zurich	£3,181.99	Annual PC Insurance
James Chiddy	£284.30	Gates, Bins and repairs
Rachel Hollyer	£1,654.70	Clerks Salary
TACAS	£7,380.00	Tree felling at Cemetery

Finance Schedule proposed by Cllr Homent, seconded by Cllr Snow, carried unanimously. Payments to be made online.

District Councillor Feedback

Cllr Palmer updated the PC regarding the proposal to extend the 50mph speed limit on the A420. The PC requested that the speed limit reduction be extended past the Wheatfield Barns at least as far as Down Road.

Matters for Discussion

Cllr Friend raised the issue of parking for people wishing to visit and walk in surrounding area and suggested signs advising places to park.

A request has been made to add Marshfield Honey to the list of donors on the Bus Stop Mural.

CIL funds of c£8,000 now available PC to discuss outdoor Gym equipment at Community Centre. Agenda next meeting.

Clerk on Annual leave from 2nd – 14th June. Clerk to add Cllr LeMasonry's email to the out of office message for emergency contact.

Apologies from Cllr Homent for the next meeting.

Date of Next Meeting – 17th June 2025

Meeting closed at 8.30pm marshfieldparishcouncil.co.uk