

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 16th February 2026 at 7:30pm at Bisham Abbey.

Attendees:

Councillors: Jim Cooke (Chair), Alan Keene (AK) (Chair), Ged Wylie (GW), Jo Kersey (JK), and Colin Lemmings (CL).

Ward Cllrs: Cllr Mandy Brar

Officer of the Council: Barry Malki

Public Forum

Part One

140. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
None

141. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
None

142. MINUTES OF MEETING held on 15th December 2025

The minutes were resolved to be a true and accurate record of the meeting.

143. MATTERS ARISING from meeting held on 15th December 2025 including Action List
Items to be covered in the agenda.

144. PLANNING MATTERS

Appn. Date: 19th January 2026 Appn No.: 26/00109

Type: Full

Proposal: New front mono pitched roofs, single storey rear extension, raised decking, changes to the external finish and fenestration.

Location: South Riding Bisham Road Bisham Marlow SL7 1RL

Determination Date: 16 March 2026

Cllrs Comments: The Cllrs were neutral to this application and had no objections.

Appn. Date: 16th January 2026 Appn No.: 26/00122

Type: Works To Trees Covered by TPO

Proposal: Please see schedule of works. (005/2007/TPO).

Location: Longridge Quarry Wood Road Marlow SL7 1RE

Determination Date: 13 March 2026

Cllrs Comments: The Cllrs were neutral to this application and had no objections but asked that the Tree Officer be mindful of the presence of rare foliage (e.g. Loddon Lillies)

Appn. Date: 22nd January 2026 Appn No.: 26/00123

Type: Non-material Amendment

Proposal: Non material amendments to planning permission 25/01897/FULL for 1no. ground floor window.

Location: 36 Temple Mill Island Bisham Marlow SL7 1SQ

Determination Date: 19 February 2026

Cllrs Comments: Already approved

Appn. Date: 21st January 2026 Appn No.: 26/00150

Type: Discharge of Condition

Proposal: Details required by Condition 3 (Biodiversity enhancement) of planning permission

25/01897/FULL for a Partial garage conversion with raising of the ridge and 1no. rear dormer to provide habitable accommodation within the roofspace, 1no. rear dormer and 1no. rear Juliet balcony to the main dwelling, rear retaining wall and alterations to the patio, steps and fenestration.

Location: 36 Temple Mill Island Bisham Marlow SL7 1SQ

Determination Date: 18 March 2026

Cllrs Comments: Already approved

Appn. Date: 23rd January 2026 Appn No.: 26/00121

Type: Full

Proposal: Relocated PV panels, external stairs and balustrades to existing flat roof and formation

of roof terrace (part-retrospective)

Location: Hockett End Hockett Lane Cookham Maidenhead SL6 9UF

Determination Date: 20 March 2026

Cllrs Comments: The Cllrs were neutral to this application but asked that the planning officer be satisfied that there is sufficient screening between the neighbouring properties as there were concerns about overlooking.

Appn. Date: 9th February 2026 Appn No.: 26/00169

Type: Listed Building Consent

Proposal: Consent for repair and structural stabilisation of Roof K and the rationalisation of recent fire-stopping interventions within the roof voids of Roof K and L.

Location: Bisham Abbey Bisham Village Marlow Road Bisham Marlow SL7 1RR

Determination Date: 6 April 2026

Cllrs Comments: The Cllrs were positive to this application and had no objections.

Appn. Date: 11th February 2026 Appn No.: 26/00330

Type: Works To Trees Covered by TPO

Proposal: (T1) Yew - Reduce height by 4.5m, leaving a finished height of 5.5m. (T2) and (T3) Hazel - Re-pollard. (G5) Sycamore and Ash - Selective crown reduction of the growth

extending toward by the property by up to 1.25m, leaving a final spread of 3.5m.
(001/1951/TPO)

Location: Quarry Clyffe House Quarry Wood Bisham Marlow SL7 1RF

Determination Date: 8 April 2026

CLlr Comments: The CLlrs were neutral to this application and had no objections subject to Tree Officer approval but noted that the drawings were inaccurate and that some information was missing from the application.

GW gave an update on his attendance of the Development Control Panel meeting, noting that he was unimpressed with the process and stating that a number of parties presented incorrect information.

145. HIGHWAYS MATTERS

GW reported that a skip lorry traveling through Burchetts Green had brought part of a willow tree down, noting that it was cleared quickly to allow one lane of traffic. The incident had damaged water infrastructure nearby and a tree surgeon had attended to the rest of the tree. GW would report to RBWM regarding the stability of other trees nearby.

CL reported that the School Sign hadn't been replaced. Cllr Brar noted that it had been raised internally but not yet actioned.

CL reported that there had been significant ground-water flooding, and that lack of drain clearance had been a contributing factor. Cllr Brar noted that it had been raised internally.

CL reported that Marlow Bridge was closed for works but inadequate signage on the Berkshire side had caused issues with traffic proceeding to the bridge before turning around. BM to liaise with Transport for Bucks.

146. PARISH LAND

CL noted that there had been anti-social behaviour, potentially drug-dealing, taking place in the parking spaces near the playground. CL reported that he had called the police on 101 but no action was taken. AK stated that reports need to be made to 999 for crimes in progress. BM to invite the PCSO to a future meeting.

CL noted that the warning tape in the playground had been pulled down 4 times.

JK reported that there had been damage to the footbridge, possibly intentional and will take a picture during daylight hours.

GW noted that SSEN still hadn't had permission to access either the gardens or the farm to complete work and suggested holding off on the Holdfords tree work until the weather is dryer.

BM presented the sample fishing permits and gave an overview on the permit policy. BM to get quotes for new signage.

CL asked for quotes for new car park signage.

JK asked about whether the defib cabinets were on the Circuit website. BM explained that they had been registered with the Ambulance Service, but the Circuit is a voluntary site. BM to include the Villlage Defib on the Circuit.

CL asked that Holdfords monitor subsidence at the entrance to the orchard.

147. GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

BM noted that he had extended the deadline for tender responses to get a larger sample.

148. PLAYGROUND

BM reported that the playground inspection had been undertaken on the 11th February but that there had been no report as yet.

GW reported that he had approached five companies for quotes for new apparatus and had had a mixed response but would circulate them via email.

149. FLOODING

CL reported that the area was still under Flood Alert since 18th January, which had been refreshed three times, and noted the weather is consistent with the Environment Agency forecast.

CI noted that the recent flood meeting had been cancelled.

CL had audited the flood emergency equipment and noted that the locks had been cut off but all items were accounted for.

150. ASSETS AND HOLDINGS

JC noted that he had been unable to contact the Bisham Court Management Group Director to discuss the lighting columns.

BM noted that we still need the maintenance costs for the columns.

AK asked that devolution be put on the March agenda.

JC updated about meeting with Trustee of Bisham Estate noting that there was confusion about ownership of certain parcels of land. AK noted that the land registry documents confirm BPC ownership of Parish Land.

AK noted that the Trustee wants BPC to take on all manorial waste lands.

BM to liaise with RBWM for legal advice.

151. FINANCE

BM noted that the finance was up to date on the website.

152. CORRESPONDENCE

CL reported on the latest round of Police and Crime Commissioner Proceeds of Crime funding, noting that we should apply for Speed Indicator Devices.

BM to put together application, including evidence of need from RBWM and costings. GW to speak to BGVA about their application.

JC reminded Cllrs that Cllr Oliver's funeral would be taking place on 20th February,

153. INFORMATION REPORTS

GW reported that he had spoken to BCA security to focus on areas where cars were accessing the site.

AK reported that Cllrs need to start planning for the Annual Parish Meeting. Cllrs set the date as 21st May 2026.

CL reported that there had been new TPOs applied to the trees in Temple.

154. NEWS ITEMS

JK presented the newsletter template and asked for input for content.

JC reported that the Marlow Bridge Lighting scheme had been approved.

JC reported that the film studio plans were going ahead.

JC reported that there was currently testing of the water quality along the river.

Part 1 of the meeting closed at 22:05

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Date Agreed:

Signed:

Position: – Chair/Vice Chair/Councillor