



Old Marston Parish Council

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Members of the Public Welcome & Speaking arrangements:

Members of the public and press are welcome to attend the following meeting unless precluded by the parish council by resolution during the whole or part of the proceedings. They may address the parish council on any matter of council business during the time allotted at the beginning of the meeting for public participation.

Anyone wishing to speak must give prior notice with name and address to the clerk before the meeting starts.

The protocol for speaking at the meeting is on page two of this document.

To: All members of the public

You are hereby invited to attend the monthly meeting of OLD MARSTON PARISH COUNCIL to be held **at 19:00 Monday 7th September 2026** in Mortimer Hall, Oxford Road, Old Marston, OX3 0PH when the following business will be transacted.

Yours faithfully

Tim Cann.
Parish Clerk.

Wednesday 2nd September 2026

Councillors are requested to declare any prejudicial interest they have in any of the items.

Requests from members of the public to speak: Please note you are required to inform the clerk prior to speaking and no member of the public or press shall speak for more than 5 minutes unless the chairman so declares and the total time for public participation is 20 minutes.



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Protocol for Parish Council & Committee meetings

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- No member of the public or press shall speak for more than 5 minutes unless the chairman so declares and the total time for public participation is 20 minutes.
- There is no entitlement for members of the public to speak at any other time during the meeting, unless invited to by the chairman.
- A record of public participation may be included in the minutes and, if any actions are required, they will be reported on at the next meeting.
- In accordance with standing order 3(e), a question shall not require a response at the meeting nor start a debate on the question. The chairman of the meeting may direct that a written or oral response be given.
- A person, including councillors, shall raise their hand when requesting to speak.
- A person, including councillors, who speaks at a meeting shall direct his comments to the chairman of the meeting.
- Only one person, or councillor, is permitted to speak at a time. If more than one person wants to speak, the chairman of the meeting shall direct the order of speaking.
- A person, or councillor, shall not interrupt or talk over a person speaking.

AGENDA

1. **Request: if anyone intends to record the proceeds of the meeting to inform the chair. Any member of public who does not want to be filmed to inform the chair.**
2. **Apologies for absence and approval by council**
3. **Welcome from chairman**
4. **Any public participation plus reports from Thames Valley Police, county and city councillors:**
 - a. Thames Valley Police (**page 7**)
 - b. County & City Councillors Report(s)
 - c. Public:
5. **Approval of the minutes of the extra ordinary meeting on the 29th June 2026 & the meeting on the 6th July 2026. (page 9)**
6. **Operational Checks:**
 - Weekly operational checks on the defibrillator have been carried out.
 - Weekly operational checks on the play equipment have been carried out.
7. **Planning:**

Applications considered between meetings:

- None

Decisions:

- 26/01391/FUL – 15 Haynes Road – APPROVED
- 26/00594/VAR – 66 Arlington Drive – APPROVED

Awaiting Decisions:

- 20/02457/DEL – Willow Barn, Oxford Road
- 25/00634/FUL – 24 Haynes Road
- 25/02371/FUL – 56 Cherwell Drive
- 25/02487/FUL – Ibstocks, 1 Pond Lane
- 26/00496/FUL – 1A Mill Lane
- 26/00923/FUL – 15 Salford Road
- 26/00968/FUL – 3 Cotswold Crescent
- 26/01027/FUL – 31 Old Marston Road
- 26/01307/FUL – 90 Cherwell Drive

Applications to be decided:

- **26/01990/VAR – 32 Oxford Road** – Variation (or removal) of conditions 02 (Develop in accordance with approved plans), 03 (Materials samples), 04 (CTMP), 06 (CEMP), 14 (Bicycle storage) and 15 (Bin storage) of planning permission 25/01436/FUL (Demolition of existing dwelling house and erection of a 1 X 5 bed dwellinghouse (Use Class C3). Provision of air source heat pumps, EV chargers and bin and bicycle stores. Alterations to landscaping, boundary wall and site access. (Amended description)) to allow for the installation of a brick chimney to North facade, insertion of 1no. roof light to North elevation, alterations to first floor windows, modest lengthening of the building to enable the stair core to be redesigned. Town and Country Planning Act 1990 APPLICATION NO:

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- **26/01881/FUL – 13 Ashlong Road** – Demolition of existing single storey rear extension. Erection of a part single, part two storey rear extension. Alterations to roof to form hip to gable, formation of 1no. rear dormer and insertion of 2no. front rooflights in association with loft conversion.
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- **26/01967/FUL – 3 Rimmer Close** – Demolition of existing rear conservatory. Erection of a single storey side extension. Conversion of garage to habitable space. Alterations to fenestrations.
- [26/01967/FUL | Demolition of existing rear conservatory. Erection of a single storey side extension. Conversion of garage to habitable space. Alterations to fenestrations. | 3 Rimmer Close Oxford Oxfordshire OX3 0PB](#)
- **Update on Hill View Farm**
- **Update on Almonds Farm**
- **Consultations**

8. Transport

- Speed Awareness signs: (page 18)
- Elsfield Road Parking: Update
- Double Yellow Lines along part Oxford Road
- Cavendish Drive/Fane Road: slabbed area being used as carpark.

9. Finance: Correct on 31st August 2026

Unity Trust Current Account:	£130,058.44
Newbury Building Society:	£44,095.65 – 2.90%
Skipton Building Society:	£64,149.99– 2.05%
Petty Cash:	£2.94
Total:	£238,307.02
CiL Money (included in above figures):	£144,035.97

The following accounts to be paid:

Clerk's pay, expenses, pension July/August 26:	£
Total Pest Control (Quarterly Charge):	£189.14
ODS(Cemetery Bins):	£45.02
Castle Water (Cemetery Water):	£119.20
Smith of Derby (Hall Clock):	£708.00
OALC (Training):	£66.00

Total Pest Control (Quarterly Charge):	£415.36
MP Ryder (Intruder Alarm Annual Service):	£288.00
TOTAL:	£
Petty Cash Expenditure:	None
INCOME:	
Sandra Homewood (Mr. Batey):	£1,600.00
Sandra Homewood (Mr. Parker):	£1,600.00
HMRC (VAT Return):	£6,156.74
<u>Reserves</u>	
Total Balances:	£238,307.02
General Reserve:	£33,809.74
Fixed Asset Reserve:	£10,000.00
Emergency Reserve:	£10,000.00
Unallocated Reserve:	£184,497.28

b. Acceptance of Payments

c. External Audit: Moore has given the parish council a clean set of accounts for 2025/26.

d. Grant Request from St Nicholas Church for Autumn Fun Day in October. (page 16)

10. Insurance Renewal: The council has a 3-year agreement. The renewal cost is £2,383.32.

11. Firework display: The grant has already been approved in the budget so council to confirm ratification.

12. Communication: including Web Site, Facebook, and other social media & protocol

a. Calendar of Meetings.

b. Request for Community Safety Banner on Mortimer Hall Recreation Ground railings.
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13. Cycle Racks outside St Nicholas School

14. General Vegetation Maintenance Around the Parish:

- along Back Lane, next to St Nicholas School,
- School Lane,
- Boults Lane Wooden Gate Repair,
- Boults Lane Hedge boundary with Jessops & Clays Close.

15. Clerk's Report:

- Update on Bleed Kits
- Noticeboard – Orchard Triangle
- Noticeboard – Salford Road
- Planters Relocation: Since the original decision by council there has been various queries over the suitability of the locations. Council to review.
- Calendar of meetings

13. Orchard Triangle & Smaller Triangle Maintenance Update

16. Mill Lane Recreation Ground Update.

17. Churches Together in Marston and Northway are hoping to hold another 'Love Marston, Love Life' event on Sunday 23rd May 2027 from 3pm to 5pm. I am writing to ask permission for us

to use Mortimer Hall Park for this event. It would involve us setting up from 9am in the morning and clearing away to about 7pm.

18. Reports from Members:

Update from councillors representing the council on external bodies should the respective organisation have meeting

19. Information sharing (including correspondence)

- Rural Services Network Digest etc,
- OALC Newsletter
- <https://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/area/your-area/tvp/oxfordshire/oxford-north-east/about-us/our-priorities>
- Marston Community Market Saturday 3rd October in Mortimer Hall.
- Oxford Half Marathon Sunday 11th October 2026.

Date of next meeting:

Monday 5th October 2026 19:00 in Mortimer Hall.

AGENDA 4a – Thames Valley Police Report

I just wanted to get in touch ahead of the next Parish Council meeting and pass on my apologies, as unfortunately I'll be on annual leave that evening. The rest of the neighbourhood team are also on rest days, so we won't be able to attend.

While I'm away, I wanted to give you a few updates on what we've been working on locally and our priorities over the coming months.

Firstly, we had a really positive response to the community survey we sent out at the end of July. The survey was open for four weeks and we received a good number of responses from local residents. The main issues raised were illegal e-bikes, e-scooters, and anti-social riding of motorcycles and bikes in public spaces. This has been set as a community priority.

As a result, you've hopefully noticed a significant increase in enforcement activity around these issues. In Marston, one of the key hotspots identified was the network of footpaths and alleyways between Croft Road Recreation Ground and Edgeway Road. We've carried out a number of operations in that area which have been well received by the community.

You'll also be aware of Operation Butterfly, which targeted a group responsible for a significant number of motorcycle thefts and associated joyriding offences across the area. The operation has resulted in over 50 offences being charged, with those involved due before the courts later this year. Pleasingly, we've already seen a noticeable reduction in this type of offending whilst those responsible have had restrictive bail conditions.

Following information passed to me by Councillor Mary Clarkson regarding another dog attack in Marston, I immediately tasked officers to locate and arrest the owner and seize the dog involved. The owner has since been charged with having a dog dangerously out of control and is due to appear at court at the end of September. The dog responsible for the attack has now been destroyed. A small request to encourage the community to report via 101, or Thames Valley Police website, to ensure that there is no delay.

On a separate note, I'd really encourage residents to sign up to Thames Valley Alert if they haven't done so already. You can register here: [Thames Valley Alert](#).

It's one of the best ways to stay up to date with what the neighbourhood team is doing locally, receive crime prevention advice, and take part in community surveys that help shape our policing priorities. The next survey will be issued towards the end of October and will remain open for four weeks, so we'd really appreciate as many responses as possible.

At the beginning of August, acting on information provided by members of the community, the team recently carried out a drugs warrant at an address on Rippington Drive following concerns about suspected drug supply activity. Enquiries are continuing.

As always, thank you for your continued support, and please pass on my thanks to the Parish Council for their ongoing engagement with the neighbourhood team. We genuinely value the information and feedback we receive from local residents and partners.

Kind regards,

Sam French

AGENDA ITEM 5

Minutes of the Old Marston Parish Council Extra-Ordinary Meeting held on Monday 29th June 2026 in the Mortimer Hall from 6:30pm.

CONFIRMED

Present: Parish Council:

Cllr Hatfield – Chairman	Cllr Vinnicombe (Vice-Chair)	Cllr Osman
Cllr Haynes	Cllr Smith	Cllr Jones
Cllr Cox.	.	

In attendance: Tim Cann

Members of Public: 0

26/06/01X No one intended to record the meeting.

26/06/02X Apologies for Absence:

Cllr Bates – Prior Engagement.

26/06/03X Chairman's welcome

26/06/04X Public, County & City Councillors & Thames Valley Police participation:
NONE.

26/06/05X Finance – AGAR – Governance:

Cllr Haynes proposed and Cllr Smith Seconded that the Council RESOLVED that the Chir and Clerk sign the governance section of the AGAR.

26/06/06X Finance – AGAR – Accountability:

Cllr Haynes proposed and Cllr Cox seconded that the Council RESOLVED that the Chairman and Clerk sign the accountability section of the AGAR.

26/06/07 Date of Next Meeting: Monday 6th July 2026 7pm in the Mortimer Hall

MEETING CLOSED: 6:42PM

Minutes of the Old Marston Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 6th July 2026 in the Mortimer Hall from 7:00pm.

UNCONFIRMED

Present: Parish Council:

Cllr Hatfield – Chairman	Cllr Vinnicombe (Vice-Chair)	Cllr Osman
Cllr Haynes	Cllr Jones	Cllr Upton
Cllr Ramsey	Cllr Constantinides.	Cllr Bates.

In attendance: Tim Cann

Members of Public: 8

Oxford City Councillor: Cllr Clarkson & Cllr Robinson

26/07/01 Record of the meeting:

A member of the public made an audio recording of the meeting.

26/07/02 Apologies for Absence:

Cllrs Lygo & Cox – on vacation. Cllr Smith – Prior engagement.

26/07/03 Chairman's welcome:

Cllr Hatfield welcomed everyone and reminded the protocol of everything through the chair, any other conversations to be taken outside of the meeting.

26/07/04 Public, County & City Councillors & Thames Valley Police participation:

City Councillor Clarkson informed the meeting that she had met with the contractor of Almond Farm. The developer is the City Council, so they have more control than at Hill View Farm. There have been several complaints about E-bikes, apparently the police are not able to stop to question an E-bike driver, they can only approach them if stationary. Also, several complaints about parking. She had received a report about a rough sleeper around Cherwell Drive Coop shop and this has been reported to Mungo's to deal with.

City Councillor Robinson informed the meeting she had received several complaints about the reliability of the buses through Old Marston resulting from the roadworks and parking. Kate also spoke about vulnerable people during the exceptional heat. There is a city council meeting next week when the parking issues in and around Marston will be discussed.

A member of the public spoke about the draft minutes for the June council meeting. Items which they had spoken about were not recorded. Also, items which she thought should have been on the July agenda were also not on.

26/07/05 **Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on the 1st June 2026.**

After some discussion it was RESOLVED to accept the minutes subject to the following additions:

- RESOLVED to discuss the pavilion alarm at the July meeting.
- Cllr Lygo suggested that MSFC should be asked to the meeting in July.

26/07/06 **Operational Checks:**

- Weekly operational checks on the defibrillator have been carried out. Councillor Smith confirmed checked and ok.
- Weekly operational checks on the play equipment have been carried out. Councillor Smith confirmed checked and ok.

26/07/07 **Planning:**

Applications considered between meetings: NONE

Decisions:

- 26/00819/FUL – 13 Salford Road – APPROVED
- 26/00927/FUL – 60 Mortimer Drive – WITHDRAWN
- 26/00522/FUL – 59 Cherwell Drive – APPROVED

Awaiting Decisions:

20/02457/DEL – Willow Barn, Oxford Road
25/00634/FUL – 24 Haynes Road
25/02371/FUL – 56 Cherwell Drive
25/02487/FUL – Ibstocks, 1 Pond Lane
26/00594/VAR – 66 Arlington Drive

26/00496/FUL – 1A Mill Lane
 26/00923/FUL – 15 Salford Road
 26/00968/FUL – 3 Cotswold Crescent
 26/01027/FUL – 31 Old Marston Road

Applications to be decided:

- **26/01307/FUL – 90 Cherwell Drive** – Demolition of existing rear extension. Erection of a single storey rear and side extension. Alterations to roof to form hip to gable. **NO OBJECTIONS.**
- **26/01391/FUL – 15 Haynes Road** – Erection of a single storey rear extension, formation of front porch. **NO OBJECTIONS.**

Update on Hill View Farm – No further update.

Update on Almond Farm – No further update.

Consultations:

- **Community Micro hub Scheme:** Cllr Vinnicombe said about county council scheme to install electric charging points throughout the county. After some discussion about Boults Lane and Mortimer Hall no proposals were made.
- **Double Yellow Lines along part of Oxford Road:** No further updates. Being discussed at city council next week.

26/07/08 Transport:

- **Speed Awareness signs:** Deferred until September meeting.
- **Elsfield Road Parking:** County Council waiting for parish council's agreement to remove 'Access Only'. Cllr Bates proposed extending the CPZ through to the end of Elsfield Road. Cllr Haynes seconded. Council voted 5 for, 2 against, with 1 abstention. Cllr Vinnicombe requested it minute her objection. It was **RESOLVED** to accept the proposal. However, Clerk to check if no way the 'Access Only' can be kept.

26/07/09 Finance:

d. As at the 30th June 2026

Unity Trust Current Account	134,277.53	
Newbury Building Society	44,095.65	2.90%
Skipton Building Society	64,149.99	2.05%
Petty Cash	2.94	
TOTAL	£242,526.11	
CiL Money (included in the above figures)		£144,035.97
The following accounts to be paid:	£ Incl. VAT	
Clerk's Pay Including Expenses, Pension, etc. – June 2026		
Richard James (Internal Audit)	320.00	
Red Lion (OXFEST 2026)	3,500.00	
Mr D. Ward (Work at Orchard Triangle)	150.00	
Mr D. Ward. (Maintaining Back Lane)	1,350.00	
TOTAL	£8,350.66	
Petty Cash Expenditure: NONE		
INCOME:		
SSE (Wayleave)	8.00	
43 rd Scout Group (Rent)	5.00	
RESERVES		
Total Balances	£242,526.11	
General Reserve	£33,809.74	

Fixed Asset Reserve	£10,000.00
Emergency Reserve	£10,000.00
Unallocated Reserve	£188,716.37

e. It was RESOLVED to accept payments

26/07/10 Communications (including Web Site, Facebook, and other social media & protocol).

c. Request for Community Safety Banner on Mortimer Hall Recreation Ground railings: Deferred until September.

26/07/11 Mill Lane Allotments Update.

It was RESOLVED to accept the tender to dig two trenches, lay membrane & crushed hardcore £5,100.00

26/07/12: Clerk's Report:

- **Update on Bleed Kits –**
- **Mortimer Hall Clock Update:** The Clerk confirmed that the clock has now been fixed.
- **Noticeboard – Orchard Triangle –**
- **Noticeboard – Salford Road –**
- **Oxford Living Wage:** Confirmation Old Marston Parish Council has resubscribed as an Oxford Living Wage Employer.
- **Training:** Lucy of OALC has said they can provide a mixture of Chairmanship training, Roles & Responsibilities etc OR just chair training.
- **Hedges – Elsfield Road Cemetery & Mortimer Hall & Boults Lane Recreation Grounds:**
- **Boundary Hedge between Boults Lane Recreation Ground and Court Place Farm Allotments –** Allotment Association disagrees that the hedge is their responsibility.
- **Planters Relocation:**
After some discussion it was RESOLVED to decline the relocation of the planters. However, willing to accept at no cost.
- **Burial plot for John Batey:** The Clerk informed the Council that John Batey was seriously ill. John has requested he be buried in Old Marston. As the next Council meeting was not until September the Clerk asked for the council to agree in principle for John to be buried in Elsfield Road Cemetery. It was unanimously RESOLVED this be allowed.

26/07/13 Mill Lane Recreation Ground Update:

The Chair met with the site manager of Almond Farm development. They said they had staff who could help with advice.

26/07/14 Reports from Members: (Update from Councillors representing the Council on external bodies):

Mortimer Hall Management Committee – had met, the barriers have been widened and they are looking at marking out bays in the car park.

26/07/15 Information sharing (including correspondence)

Rural Services Network Digest etc,

- OALC Newsletter
- Oxford Half Marathon Sunday 11th October 2026.
- OXFEST 25th July 2026.

- Hedges along Pond Lane are overhanging – Cllr Haynes agreed to report on Fix-My-Street.

26/07/16 Date of Next Meeting: Monday 7th September 2026 7pm in the Mortimer Hall

MEETING CLOSED: 8:40PM

AGENDA 11: Old Marston Parish Council – Calendar of Meetings 2026/27

Date	Meeting	Time	Venue
1 st June	Full Council	7pm	Mortimer Hall
29 th June	Finance	6pm	Mortimer Hall
6 th July	Full Council	7pm	Mortimer Hall
27 th July	CAE	6pm	Mortimer Hall
August	No Council or Committee Meetings Scheduled		
7 th September	Full Council	7pm	Mortimer Hall
28 th September	CAE	6pm	Mortimer Hall
5 th October	Full Council	7pm	Mortimer Hall
26 th October		6pm	Mortimer Hall
2 nd November	Full Council	7pm	Mortimer Hall
30 th November	Finance	6pm	Mortimer Hall
7 th December	Full Council	7pm	Mortimer Hall
29 th December	No Committee Meeting		
4 th January	Full Council	7pm	Mortimer Hall
25 th January	S&S	6pm	Mortimer Hall
1 st February	Full Council	7pm	Mortimer Hall
22 nd February	Finance	6pm	Mortimer Hall
1 st March	Full Council	7pm	Mortimer Hall
29 th March	CAE	6pm	Mortimer Hall
5 th April	Full Council	7pm	Mortimer Hall
26 th April	Finance	6pm	Mortimer Hal

The above are the standard meeting dates schedules for 2026-27.

Although additional meetings may be convened with the appropriate notice period and will be posted on the website and noticeboard.

AGENDA 12b: Community Safety Sign on Mortimer Hall Railings

Proposal to install a large, weatherproof sign on the railings of the Mortimer Hall recreation ground facing Oxford Road.

The sign would:

- Remind parents and carers to park considerately;
- Discourage pavement parking;
- Encourage engines to be switched off while waiting;
- Promote walking and cycling where possible.

The school has indicated enthusiasm for involving pupils in designing artwork, slogans, or imagery for the sign through a school competition.

This would help:

- Reinforce the message positively;
- Increase children's ownership of the issue;
- Encourage parents to engage constructively.

Suggested Sign Specifications:

- Approx. 4–5 metres wide x 1.5 metres high;
- Heavy-duty PVC mesh banner;
- UV- and weather-resistant;
- Fixed securely to railings with tamper-resistant ties or brackets.

A mesh banner is suggested because:

- It is a cheap solution;
- Wind passes through more easily;
- Storage is easier outside school term dates.

The wording and artwork would be developed jointly with the school and approved by the Parish Council.

Estimated Cost/Indicative costs:

- Design and artwork preparation: £150–£400
- Large mesh banner: £300–£700
- Installation/fixings: £100–£250 Estimated total: approximately £500–£1,000

Grant Application Form for charitable, voluntary or other organisations.

Organisations Name	St Nicholas Church
Contact Name	Helen Norman/ (Revd Skye Denno)
Correspondence Address	Marston Vicarage, Elsfield Road, Oxford, OX3 0PR
Tel:	01865580354
Email:	familyminister@stnicholasmarston.org.uk
Bank Transfer details: (if accepted)	Account Name: PCC of St Nicholas Marston Bank: Cooperative Bank Sort Code: 08-92-99 Account Number: 65861213
Amount Asking for:	£ 550
Purpose of grant	Funding is to pay: A Face painter - £215, Arts and Crafts - £150 Hospitality Hot dogs ,cakes, tea and coffee, firepit food £145 Pay for heating/cleaning costs of hall/church - £40
Nature of Organisation: Registered Charity Number Non-Profit Voluntary Organisation Number of members/ officers/ Volunteers:	St Nicholas Church lies in the heart of the community, the Autumn Fun Day is an annual event that is free and for all ages to come together and celebrate and mark Autumn. And the Celtic year start of winter so will be looking at light in the darkness. This year it falls at the beginning of October half term. Charity no. 1138507 Roughly 15-20 volunteers will be present.

How will the local community benefit from a grant? (Continue on a separate sheet if necessary)	This is a community event, and the grant will enable the event to take place and be free to all. Making the event free means it is open and accessible to all regardless of income and size of family. This is an event that means all generations can attend together, which is good for well-being, build bridges and encourage new friendships and connections within the parish and local community. The crafts tables and activities are suitable for different ages, which means we can encourage both very young to the oldest members of our community to engage and have fun together. Local community groups such as the scouts and girl guiding, local artists and the pre-school will all take a role and build relationships within the local community.
If there is a major scheme, how much will be provided from own resources? (Continue on a separate sheet if necessary)	I am hopeful that St Nicholas church will provide time and money to the event. The £550 grant will not cover everything, but I am hopeful it will cover most of our expenses.
Organisations current financial position: (Please include a copy of your last annual report/ completed accounts) If you received a grant last year, how was it spent:	Attached the Annual report for 2025
Have applications for grants been submitted to any other body?	No
If yes to whom?	

Signed H. Norman.

Position held family minister St Nicholas Church, Marston

Date: 22/08/26

Speed Signs Update

County councillor Mark Lygo and the clerk met with officers from Oxford City Council to discuss progressing the project.

SIDs (Speed Indicator Signs) are an indication tool, not meant to be permanent in one location. Illegally to remain permanently in one location.

Could be moved from location to location so 6 locations could be serviced by 2 SIDS.

However, the Parish Council would be responsible for moving signs which creates the issue of who would be responsible, risk assessments, etc.

VAS (Vehicle Activated Signs) are activated by vehicles and more permanent.

Battery operated: the quicker the battery runs down could be monthly battery change.

Initial Cost is same for both SID and VAS, but SID have additional after cost of moving.

If attached to a lamppost this will need utility company permission.

Should have a speed survey done before installation to ensure needed.

Parish Council needs to approach ODS to get work done once everything is agreed.

Original Parish Council suggested locations:

- Marsh Lane just past Horseman Close going out of Old Marston,
- Elsfield Road near Cannons Field,
- Entrance to village via Oxford Road
- Cherwell Drive near Elms Drive junction
- Oxford Road near Gordon Close junction.
- Marston Road.

It was suggested possibly going with entrance to village via Oxford Road and Oxford Road near Gordon Close junction as a trial.

Tim Cann. Clerk.

27th August 2026

Reference	Decision	Action	Done
01	School Lane Noticeboard	Planning permission not needed however advertisement permission is. Ongoing.	
03	Enclosed Waste Bins/ Recycling Bins	Costings and options are being collated for covered bins for the Mortimer Hall Recreation Ground and Boults Lane Recreation Ground. The contractor has also been contacted with regards to the implications to having recycling bins.	
05	Pavilion -Tender for Barrier Wheel	Looking for replacement wheel for barrier as current one worn out.	
06	Pavilion – Tender for Outside Tap	Awaiting tender	Defer
08	Additional Tables in MH Recreation Ground		
09	Additional Street lights in Mill Lane		
10	43 rd Scout Group Lease	Awaiting confirmation from Scout Association agreement.	
11	Reactive Speed sign(s) around the parish.	On going	
12	CCTV to properly manage speeding traffic through the village:	See 11	
13	Parking on Elsfield Road: could double yellow lines be extended the length of the Elsfield Road	County Council have advised that any alterations to the CPZ would be subject to additional funding being found.	
14	Boundary hedge with Red Lion	Brewery actioning.	