



Marbury and District Parish Council

Marbury Village Hall

Thursday 14th July 2025 7.30pm

Present: Councillor Joe Briggs (Chair), Councillor J. David, Councillor J. Makin, Councillor M. Turnbull, Councillor P. Shakeshaft, and Councillor F. Wilson (Vice Chair).

Also present: Ward Councillor James Pearson.

23. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillor T. Leese, Councillor R. Perry, and Reverend Veronica Green.

24. Declarations of Interest

Members were invited to declare any disclosable pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in items on the agenda.

No declarations of interest were made.

25. Ward Councillor's Report

Ward Councillor James Pearson provided an update on recent developments: A meeting had taken place in February with Cheshire East Council's Transport Team.

- School Lane, Marbury, has been jetted.
- Councillor Pearson has been appointed to the Cheshire East Economic Growth & Scrutiny Committee.
- Concerns were noted regarding road deterioration.

- Comparisons were drawn between pothole repair methods.
- Funding information for village halls had been circulated.
- The next Police and Parish Liaison Meeting was scheduled for 28/08/2025.

26. Public Forum

The Clerk read out two letters from residents regarding Planning Application 25/1594/FUL.

27. Approval of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 15 May 2025 were approved. Proposed by Councillor F. Wilson, seconded by Councillor M. Turnbull.

28. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising not otherwise covered on the agenda.

29. Neighbourhood Plan

The Clerk had contacted relevant parties for an update but no response had been received.

30. Highways and Parking

- Concerns were raised regarding parking outside The Swan Inn.
- Relocation of a planter and possible yellow line enforcement were discussed. Residents were reminded they could report dangerous parking via Operation Park Safe by submitting photographic evidence directly to the police.
- Anyone with concerns about unsafe parking was asked to refer incidents to Park Safe at:
<https://www.cheshire.police.uk/police-forces/cheshire/constabulary/areas/cheshire/campaigns/op-park-safe> (or search "Google Park Safe").
- Speed reduction measures, including "Please Drive Slowly" signs, were considered.

31. Police and Community Reports

No crime updates were reported.

32. Cemetery and Environmental Matters

- Cemetery: Issues relating to a dead ash tree were discussed.
- Grounds Maintenance: Work was required behind the Village Hall.
- Biodiversity: The protective cage around the new oak tree was now too small.
- Dog waste signage had been installed across the parish.

33. Village Assets & Facilities

- The football pitch goal posts still needed to be erected.
- The Parish Council Facebook page was now operational.

34. Clerk's Correspondence

Matters covered under Public Forum.

35. Planning Applications

Members discussed the new Cheshire East Council planning notification system, noting that councillors were disappointed that they had not been receiving all relevant notifications due to a change of the Cheshire East Planning Application System.

Applications Considered:

- **25/2150/FUL – Greenacres, Lower Hall Road, Norbury**
Change of use of existing outbuilding to a two-bedroom dwelling with its own curtilage and reuse of existing access.
Comment: Request that the Planning Department review previous refusals when considering this application.
- **25/1594/FUL – Marbury Farm Equestrian Centre, Wrenbury Road, Marbury**
Redevelopment of the Equestrian Centre to provide seven dwellings.
Comment: Application called in. Councillor James Pearson to make a three-minute representation at the Southern Planning Committee. The Parish Council had taken no position for or against the application but requested thorough consideration of planning history and relevant policies.

- **Other Applications Noted:**

- 25/1918/HOUS – Single-storey front extension, 1 Higher Hall Cottages, Norbury.
- 25/1718/DSC – Discharge of conditions, Quiosley Mere Farm.
- 24/4956/HOUS – Erection of oak porch, The Mallards, Hollins Lane.

Further details of recent decisions (approvals, refusals, and partial approvals) were recorded in Appendix A (Agenda Pack).

36. Financial Affairs

The following transactions were approved by the Councillors. Proposed by Councillor M. Turnbull, seconded by Councillor P. Shakeshaft.

Date	Cheque No.	Payee	Details	Net £	VAT £	Total £
15/04/25	423	Lisa Tiplady	Replacement cheque	287.00	0.00	287.00
01/05/25	DD	Bank	Service charge	5.00	0.00	5.00
15/05/25	424	Community Heartbeat	Defibrillator	435.00	87.00	522.00
15/05/25	425	HMRC	PAYE	55.00	0.00	55.00
—	426	Cancelled	—	0.00	0.00	0.00
15/05/25	427	D. Foulkes	Clerk's pay & professional fees	281.77	0.00	281.77
15/05/25	428	Unity Bank	Deposit	500.00	0.00	500.00
03/06/25	429	D. Foulkes	Clerk's pay	236.96	0.00	236.96
03/06/25	430	HMRC	PAYE June	55.00	0.00	55.00

03/06/25	431	Clear Councils	Insurance	588.83	0.00	588.83
03/06/25	432	AVOW	Payroll	21.00	0.00	21.00

Total Expenditure (TSB): £2,465.56 + £87.00 VAT = £2,552.56

Unity Bank – Bank Transfer:

08/07/25 – Miss Avon Dinther – £30.00

Income Received and noted by Councillors:

15/04/25 – Precept: £4,500.00

30/04/25 – Neighbourhood CIL: £6,324.81

37. Any Other Business

The Parish Council discussed the use of the £6,324.81 CIL funds and agreed to publish a survey on the website, Facebook page, and in the parish newsletter to seek residents' views on how this funding should be used.

38. Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 18 September 2025 at 7.30pm, Marbury Village Hall.

Meeting finished at 9pm