

MORETON-IN-MARSH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council

Date: 24th February 2026

Time: 6:30pm

Venue: Council Offices, Old Town, Moreton-in-Marsh GL56 0LW



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Present: Cllrs L Hennigan, E Viviani, M Berry, M Swift, D Warmington (chair) and R Eastoe.

In attendance: Clerk S Hart; Deputy Clerk T Maull; 2 members of the public

- 1) There were no apologies, all councillors present.
- 2) There were no declarations of interest from councillors on items on the agenda.
- 3) There were no requests for dispensation made relating to items on the agenda and those made in writing relating to pecuniary interests.
- 4) There were no County or District Councillors present.
- 5) Topics raised by members of the public were as follows: NDP, trees and forum feedback.
- 6) The meeting minutes of 16th December 2025 were **AGREED** and **SIGNED** as an accurate record.
- 7) The meeting minutes of 19th January 2026 were **AGREED** and **SIGNED** as an accurate record.
- 8) The meeting minutes of 27th January 2026 were **AGREED** and **SIGNED** as an accurate record.
- 9) The January finance reports were **NOTED**.
- 10) The list of expenditure was **APPROVED**. Annex A.
- 11) The list of Received Income from 01.01.2026 to 31.01.2026 was **NOTED**.
- 12) It was **AGREED** to setup a decision-making Events Committee with a view to organising a celebration of the 800th Anniversary of the Market Charter on 4th July. Terms of reference for the committee were agreed as follows: membership to be all councillors and the current Events Working Group members (if they wish); £1,000 budget; to meet as and when required. It was **AGREED** that approaches to potentially interested parties (e.g. current market provider, first aid provider, insurer) could be made to gauge interest/risks before the first meeting of the committee.
- 13) It was **AGREED** to submit the Regulation 15 draft of the Moreton-in-Marsh NDP to Cotswold District Council for examination.
- 14) It was **NOTED** that volunteers have come forwards for both the ivy clearance volunteer days at Jubilee Gardens on 14th and 28th March 2026. The following additional arrangements were **AGREED**: Sessions will be 10-12 and 2-4 on both dates; Cllr M Swift to be lead councillor on both dates; volunteers may turn-up on the day; either a small skip at Swan Close OR (if available/cost effective) a larger skip at Swan Close which is later moved to the Town Council Offices to deal with skip items in that location; delegation to the staff to deal with final arrangements/decisions.
- 15) It was **AGREED** that any remaining wood and chippings in QVG (left by the traveller's encampment) would be used by the Town Council within the wooded areas of QVG on and around the paths.
- 16) It was **AGREED** that resident Mike Moore would join the Climate and Ecology Working Group.
- 17) It was decided to turn down a request to co-host a skatepark activity with neighbouring parish Blockley due to the tight timescale and limited information at this stage.
- 18) It was **AGREED** that delegation be given to the Finance and Governance Committee to determine a response to the Local Government Re-organisation (LGR) Consultation (with input from the working group setup to look into all LGR matters).
- 19) A recommendation from the Personnel Committee to pay a subscription to the SLCC for the Deputy Clerk was **APPROVED**.
- 20) Due to almost daily renewal fluctuations, it was **AGREED** to delegate renewal of the energy contracts to the clerk to renew with the best offer.
- 21) The following agenda items were **AGREED** to be published on the website: NDP Regulation 15; volunteer days at Jubilee Gardens; new councillor; wood and chippings in QVG; market charter 800th anniversary.
- 22) There were no items to note or for future consideration.

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- 23) The date of the next meeting was **NOTED** as 31st March 2026.
- 24) It was **RESOLVED** to exclude the public and press under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 due to the confidential nature of the following items.
- 25) There were no requests to record this part of the meeting.
- 26) It was **AGREED** to undertake all the tree works identified as amber on the 2025 tree report. Three quotes were considered and Chris Arnold Tree Services was **APPROVED** for this work at a cost of £3000 ex VAT (on clarification of queries regarding site clearance).
- 27) The meeting closed at 8:37pm.

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