

LITTLE MARLOW PARISH COUNCIL



ACTION PLAN OF OBJECTIVES FOR 2022/2023 FINANCIAL YEAR

Objective	Reason	Budget	Timescale	Review in Oct 2022	Review in March 2023
1. Effectively manage the trees on Council land by following through on Tree Survey.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alleviate any community concerns that trees are not being properly managed. Ensure safety of public areas. Enable the Council to budget effectively. 		<p>Monitor Trees around the parish on a regular basis with the help of Open Spaces and Burial Ground contractors.</p> <p>The next Buckinghamshire Council Tree Survey is due to take place in April 2022.</p>		
2. Ensure there is sufficient space in the Burial Ground well into the future by developing a new area for burials.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If no action taken, burial ground will eventually reach full capacity Need to have plans and phased timetable in place so as to have new area prepared in good time. 		Map out new area with burial & cremation plots by Burial Ground Committee meeting Sept 2022.		
3. To improve management of cemetery by creating a map of the graves.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be able to identify effectively where graves are situated. 		Draw up a timetable to achieve mapping of graves and review at Burial Ground Committee in Dec 2022.		
4. Ensure safety of visitors to Burial Ground by arranging a further topple test and then the repair of any loose Memorial Stones in new part of burial ground, if possible seeking funding from relatives of affected memorials.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Previous Topple test showed that a number of memorial stones were loose. Refer to Jeremy Hillsden. 		Arrange topple testing to take place by September 2024.		

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<p>5.Improve safety of pupils at Little Marlow School and ease congestion on School Lane by working with school and supporting its efforts to find solutions, including encouraging cycling and walking options.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents concerned that pupils are at risk when walking to school • School Lane congested when children are being dropped off at/collected from school • Solutions need to be acceptable to residents, school and Parish Council 		<p>Work with MTC and Community Board to improve cycle links between Marlow, Little Marlow and Bourne End. LMPC timely notice to school if there are any events which impact school drop off/pick up.</p>		
<p>6.To improve our local environment and reduce carbon usage in the parish by taking action to reduce air pollution, boost wildlife conservation and encourage active transport, working in conjunction with Marlow Town Council, Bucks Council and the South West Chilterns Community Board. Tree planning, wildflower annuals, working with schools (eco conference)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving the local environment will benefit the local community. • South West Chilterns Community Board are working on active transport projects such as cycle ways which will include Little Marlow. 		<p>Work with MTC & Community Board to improve cycle links between Marlow, Little Marlow and Bourne End. Work with LM school and Clayton’s school to encourage drivers to switch off car engines when dropping off and picking up children. Follow up with Bucks Council to install recycling bins with lids on the recreation ground by end Aug 2022. Look into establishing wildflower verges around the parish: annuals & perennials. Aim to replace trees should Tree Survey reduce total count. Take forward plans to replace street lights in parish with LED lights. Introduce Bike racks, EV charge points. Insulate buildings & reduce water leaks</p>		

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7.To support the development of Little Marlow Lakes Country Park through the work of the LMPC Country Park Working Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Country Park is an asset to the local community in terms its biodiversity and wildlife and the opportunities it provides for recreational and sporting activities. 		Follow through Community Board funding bid To draw up a vision for the Country Park during 2022		
8.To increase usage of Abbotsbrook Hall and Pavilion and make it a greater asset to the community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide a venue for Community activities. To ensure income from hirers covers expenditure on Halls 		Arrange a campaign to encourage more users, via: what's app, facebook, Target, newsletter by Sept 2022		
9.To ensure all allotments are in use and using most environmentally friendly techniques	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To make better use of this community asset. To cover the cost of maintaining the allotments. Encouraging more people to grow food locally and eat seasonal produce will help reduce carbon footprint. 		Hold meeting with allotment holders in May 2022 and appoint new warden. Allotment Committee to visit allotments in Autumn 2022. Introduction of water butts/rain collection and composting by end of 2022 season. Introduce environmental policy.		
10.Improve grass cutting, sign cleaning and other devolved services taken on from Bucks CC by working closely with contractors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Desire to provide a high quality service to parishioners 	£1820	Ongoing		

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11.To improve local public transport by supporting the provision of a Community Bus in association with Marlow TC & MBPC.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide parishioners who don't have transport with a local bus to Marlow Promote through website and leaflets 	£2600	Ongoing commitment to provide this service. August review with Bucks Council, MTC & MBPC to discuss timetable distribution and promotion of bus service.		
12.To play a proactive role in the new Community Board covering our area and ensure that it serves the interests of our parishioners.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Boards will be able to fund projects which support local communities Boards deal with issues which affect our whole community such as transport, infrastructure, COVID 19 recovery, loneliness, mental health and come up with projects to tackle them 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appoint Councillors at Annual PC meeting in May 2022 to attend meetings of Community Board & Community Action Groups and promote activities and projects which benefit Little Marlow 		
13. Co-option of new members to Parish Council.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need a full complement of councillors to serve the community. 		Encourage parishioners to apply to be co-opted as a parish councillor in June/July using Target, Whatsapp, Posters, Website, face to face approaches Increase Parish Council profile by taking a stand at local community events eg Fete		

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<p>14.To improve communication with Parishioners by making more effective use of newsletter, website and social media.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need to engage with a wider base of Parishioners as currently not reaching whole community. 		<p>Produce a Parish Council newsletter in November 2022. Explore interaction with parish council website: possible locals photo gallery. Encourage parishioners to sign up to website newsalert. Regular Target article. Consider use of IT technology to hold a Parish survey to understand how residents would like to communicate with the parish council inJan 2023.</p>		
<p>15.To improve road safety in Little Marlow village by encouraging drivers to reduce their speed voluntarily</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No support from Highways England or police for installation of a compulsory 20mph speed limit. • Pedestrians and children at risk from cars driving at 30mph 		<p>Launch campaign to encourage drivers to reduce speed: online, next parish council newsletter, Target article, leaflets to residents and parents of school children, posters around village.</p>		

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16. To protect Little Marlow’s Green Belt by scrutinising and commenting on any planning applications for development in the Green Belt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt is there to prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another and to assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment • Green Belt benefits the Community by providing opportunities for outdoor sport and recreation and retaining and enhancing the landscape 		Ensure local residents are given the opportunity to have their say, their views are taken into account, the Council has adequate time to discuss the application and submits it comments by the deadline.		
17. To create a process, alongside the Burial Ground Committee, to ensure Exclusive Rights of Burial are held by a relevant family member.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To allow for future burials, memorial stones & general administration. 		To create process and discuss with Burial Ground Committee in December 2022.		