

Great and Little Kimble cum Marsh Parish Council. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held on 8th July 2026 at Kimble Stewart Hall.

64. Welcome and Apologies. All present.

65. Declaration of Interests. None declared.

66. Minutes of Previous Meeting. The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10 June 2026 were approved as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chair.

67. Finance Report

a) July Payments for Approval.

A Simmons Elec	Installation of defib	£106.27	£21.26	£127.53
Chiltern Society	Annual membership	£30.00		£30.00
Momo signs	Balance of gilding charge	£4,333.33		£4,333.33
Momo signs	Additional charges re delay	£770.00		£770.00
Kimble Stewart Hall	Hire of Hall 2006-2007	£315.00		£315.00
ONH	50% Spatial Settle Plan	£2,975.00	£595.00	£3,570.00
Julie Bunker	Weed&Tidy bench area	£20.00		£20.00
Shield	June bin emptying	£97.50	£19.50	£117.00
Richard Billyard	June Grass cutting	£1,272.00		£1,272.00
F1 Lining Ltd	Footpath repairs	£950.00	£190.00	£1,140.00
Pauline McBride	June Salary	£730.20		£730.20
HMRC	Tax and NI	£71.75		£71.75
Pauline McBride	June Mileage and HMRC	£44.15		£44.15
Cashplus Account	Top up re June Expenditure	£23.62	£4.72	£28.34
Total		£11,738.82	£830.48	£12,569.30

b) Income Received.

Deposit A/c interest	£18.83
Unity Bank interest	£585.02
KSH rental	£1.00

Total **£604.85**

c) Bank Balances.

Total bank balances at 30/06/2026 were £661,920.33

68. Planning Applications, Appeals and Injunctions. There were no new planning applications or changes of status this month.

69. Sensory Gardens and Coronation Memorial Project. The Planning sub-committee had held an interim meeting to review the current status of the project and to recommend a way forward to the full council. An update was provided going over the timelines, delays, costs etc. The Parish Council were reminded that this current project did start off as two separate projects with two separate budgets (a coronation memorial and a separate sensory garden). Since the Parish Council do not own the land initially identified for the coronation memorial (i.e. the land next to the Swan Public House), it had been decided to locate the memorial within the proposed sensory garden on land which should eventually be owned by the Parish Council. This caused the two separate projects to merge.

The total budget of a maximum £150k had been set and agreed around a year ago. Costs have been carefully collated and compared to this budget on a regular basis and currently stand at £56k with an expected total spend of £132k. It was felt that these figures and other project updates could be more widely publicised in the newsletter and on the website.

CALA have contributed £304k all now received in cash in CIL funds for 45 houses; The Sensory Gardens/Unity Park Project on the CALA development was likely to use £132k (i.e. within the £150k agreed in 2025).

Issues with water supply and on-going maintenance were raised and the planning sub-committee will investigate possible solutions and report back.

The possibility of extended delays in the actual transfer of land was outlined and the possibility of stopping all activity, including finding temporary storage for the pergola and Unity Tree until this is resolved were also discussed in depth.

Several Councillors had severe reservations about proceeding and the manner of doing so, but the majority consensus was to proceed cautiously as planned, but in carefully reviewed stages, strictly within the £150,000 Budget. No cost over runs would be tolerated.

Noting that Cala work is continuing even though no funds will be paid, it was resolved to continue with the project and revisit again in September. **The Planning Sub Committee will continue to press for the land transfer and investigate possible solutions to the water supply and on-going maintenance**

- 70. Neighbourhood Plan and Spatial Settlement Workshop.** The attendees reported back on this very successful and informative first workshop. Slides and meeting notes had been received and distributed to all. **All to review and comment on the slides prior to the next workshop, noting that John and David will need time to collate and summarise feedback prior to this. (workshop planned for 21/07/2026 so suggest feedback by 17/07/2026)**
- 71. Footpath GLK/27/1.** Buckinghamshire County Council had undertaken another inspection and found other obstruction issues and noted these will be actioned soon. **Clerk will chase and update with actions and timings.**
- 72. Defibrillator for Marsh.** Further options for the provision of a defibrillator in Marsh were discussed following investigations into cabinet and power supply requirements. Solar cabinets cost around £3k plus the defibrillator cost of £1k. Cllr Williams will ask property owners re electric supply at potential sites. **Clerk will add to September agenda to agree site and defibrillator options (electricity supply vs solar cabinet)**
- 73. Banking and Investment Options.** The Clerk had identified two possible fixed rate 1-year fixed term savings account but need to do further analysis to ensure best options. **Clerk will continue investigation and report back in September.**
- 74. Funding Request from Kimble School.** The Council considered a request from Kimble School for financial assistance towards the construction of a SEND classroom. The clerk had checked that this project would NOT be funded by S106 funds held by Buckinghamshire County Council but that it could be funded with CIL funds held by the Parish Council. The Parish Council were supportive of the intention to consider the funds request and were mindful of the Grant/Request for Fund policy and application forms. **Clerk will send copies of the policy and forms to the school for completion and include agenda item for consideration once completed forms are returned.**
- 75. Parish Asset Condition Checklist.** Members reviewed the draft Parish Asset Condition Checklist and approved its use. **Clerk will complete on a quarterly basis and update for new assets (gym equipment, coronation memorial etc.,)**
- 76. Website Accessibility Compliance.** Having challenged the report findings and costings to correct, the Clerk reported back that the website provider had made all necessary updates with no charge.
- 77. Grass Cutting Contracts.** The Council reviewed the information request received regarding grass cutting contracts and discussed the current arrangements. It will be necessary to establish the existing areas currently mowed plus identify verges

which are not covered by the current contract. **Clerk will liaise with Councillors to try to identify all potential cutting areas in the Parish.**

78. Sports Facilities Development. Email updates had been circulated regarding the potential development of sports facilities, including proposals relating to tennis courts, padel courts and the cricket club facilities. A meeting has been arranged for 15th July to allow surveyors to formally establish the baseline cosmetic and structural state of the Pavilion Building (Changing Rooms & Bar Clubhouse). This had been agreed as an essential step prior to entering into any formal agreements on the way forward.

79. Kimble Stewart Hall. The S106 funding application had finally been agreed by Buckinghamshire County Council, who advised that work can now commence. Invoices and photographic evidence of the repairs should be sent once completed, then funding would be release within two weeks. The Kimble Stewart Hall Committee had requested that the Parish Council loan funds to cover any costs incurred prior to the S106 claim being settled. Since there is a S106 agreement in place, and invoices should be issued when the work is complete, it was felt that a loan would not be required and that the contractor can be shown the S106 agreement to satisfy themselves that KSH would have funds to settle their invoices. **Clerk will advise the chair of the Kimble Stewart Hall committee.**

80. Parish Matters. The many overgrown hedges along various Parish footpaths were discussed. Since these are the responsibility of land/property owners, it was resolved to publish an item in the parish newsletter asking for the hedgerows to be properly maintained. **Clerk will draft a news item for review.**

81. Correspondence, Reports and Issues. The Clerk noted that the quarterly financial review is due and that June accounts would be published for review with the September agenda/meeting pack. **Cllr Alison will review the financial file. Clerk will update the checklist for 2006/2007. Clerk will add June accounts to the September agenda.**

82. Date of Next Meeting. The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 9 September 2026.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.45

Signed: _____ Chair

Date: _____