



Trustees: Paula Barret (PB), David Tidball (DT), Chris Wathen (CW), Maggie Hopkins (MH) & Jess Tidball (JT)

A meeting was held of the Marden Village Trust on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2026 at 5.30pm at Marden Hall.

1. Present were all the Trustees
2. Apologies none.
3. The minutes of the last meeting 17<sup>th</sup> July 2025 were approved and signed.
4. Matters Arising there were none.

5 & 6. The Chair and Secretary had nothing to report.

7. Treasurer said the state of the accounts remained the same. The Academy still have not sent an invoice in, even after many reminders. After the AGM the accounts will be sent to the CC.

8. AGM now everyone is back a date was set for the AGM to be held on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2026 at 6pm in the Community Hall. JT to action Agenda too late for the News & Views so will have to put some posters up and onto the website.

9. MPT Website none of the trustees either haven't got the skills or time to create a website. It was proposed by PB to ask Ben at an initial fee of £500 to host and set up the website. It will cost around £40- £80 annually. Seconded by CW and agreed unanimously by the MVT.

10. It was proposed by PB and seconded by DT that a donation of £4000 goes to the PC for the Community Activities towards the cost of the new kitchen in the new parish hall. The MVT agreed.

11. The Hub made a request to waiver fees on the new hall for the first 2 years of running. A discussion was held. Morally the MVT thought it would be a nice gesture but as the running costs of the new hall are not known it was agreed that a charge to cover just running cost ought to be made by the Hub. When fees for the New Hall are discussed and proposed the MVT will review the situation with the Hub.

The meeting closed at 7.10.

The next meeting will follow AGM on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February.