

Revised Proposals; revised location plan, site layout, street scene and 6-unit block drawings (height reduced) including revised parking arrangement and introduction of cycle stores.

Received: 20 March 2026

Reply by: 3 April 2026

Recommendation; Approval

F/YR25/0916/F

Four Winds

Erection of 1 toilet block and 1 log cabin, alterations to existing access and the siting of 3 glamping pods, 5 Shepherds Huts and 26 Touring Caravan/Tent pitches involving the demolition of existing outbuildings (part retrospective) at Four Winds 113 Whittlesey Road.

Received 24 March 2026

Reply by: 7 April 2026

Recommendation; Approval

F/YR26/0189/FDC

FDC

Erect 12 dwellings (1 block of 10 flats and 2 houses [bungalows]) at Land West of 53-69 Grounds Avenue.

Received: 16 March 2026

Reply by: 6 April 2026

Recommendation; Approval in principle – However, please note the Standing Order of The Middle Level

Commissioners of May 2024 stating that the system is at capacity! An NHS contribution is also desired.

***Cllr Lawler abstained from voting on this item**

F/YR26/0205/F

Mr Oliver Salter-Boyden

Erect a 2-storey extension to side of existing dwelling at 39 Shaftesbury Avenue.

Received: 23 March 2026

Reply by: 13 April 2026

Recommendation; Approval

F/YR26/0206/F

Sainsburys

Installation of an InPost Locker (retrospective) at Sainsburys Supermarket, Mill View.

Received; 23 March 2026

Reply by; 13 April 2026

Recommendation; Approval

F/YR26/0216/TRTPO

Mr Choudhury, Kingston (March) Ltd

Works to 1 Sycamore Tree covered by TPO 05/1975 at Land West of The Old Rectory The Walnuts fronting Elwyn Court.

Received: 23 March 2026

Reply by: 13 April 2026

Recommendation; Approval

- F/YR26/0217/TE1 Cornerstone Telecommunications, Infrastructure Ltd
Erect a 20m high monopole supporting 6 antennas and 2 dishes with 3 ground-based equipment cabinets and associated ancillary works (Part 16, Class A) at Land South of 69 Wisbech Road.
Received: 23 March 2026
Reply by: 13 April 2026
Recommendation; Approval
- F/YR26/0222/F Replacement of existing shop front and installation of cladding, external security shutters and retractable canopy (retrospective) at 63A-65 Wisbech Road.
Received: 26 March 2026
Reply by: 16 April 2026
Recommendation; Approval, although disappointed to receive another retrospective application.
- F/YR26/0228/F Lidl
Installation of an InPost Locker (retrospective) at Lidl, Dartford Road.
Received: 30 March 2026
Reply by: 20 April 2026
Recommendation; Approval
- F/YR26/0231/F Mr Carl Moore
Erect a detached garage and carport to front of existing dwelling, formation of a swimming pool and enclosure including outbuildings, garden storage and landscaping (part-retrospective) at Orchard Lodge, Jobs Lane
Recommendation; Approval
- F/YR26/0241/F Mr Tanaka, Teamo Holdings
Erect 1 dwelling at Land North of 84 Upwell Road, access from Smiths Drive.
Received 9 April 2026
Reply by 30 April 2026
Recommendation; Approval.
Cllrs Taylor and Field wished to be recorded as objecting to this application
- F/YR26/0246/F Ms S Cox
Erect a single storey rear extension to existing dwelling involving partial demolition of existing dwelling and porch at Papworth Bungalow 311 Wisbech Road Westry.
Received 13 April 2026
Reply by 4 May 2026
Recommendation; Approval although March Town Council has concerns about flooding and drainage at this location and the fact that applications at adjacent sites have been refused on those grounds.

4 Public Participation

Mr C Lemmon had submitted a request to speak.

He updated Councillors about the exciting news that Estover would be getting a 3G pitch. On behalf of Estover and the town he thanked March Town Council for its funding and support over the years which has helped to achieve this most welcome outcome for March. Cllr J French thanked Mr Lemmon for his hard work and efforts in connection with this significant project.

5 Minutes of Meetings

The following Minutes were agreed and signed by the Mayor:

Main Meeting – 2 March 2026

Planning Committee – 16 March 2026

Personnel and Admin (to be noted) 13 January 2026

Personnel and Admin (to be noted) 25 March 2026

6 Matters Arising

Main Meeting – 2 March; Cllr Christy had a number of issues with minute numbers 178 and 180 including the budget, payment to March Library, Christmas Lights and annotated minutes on the website.

Cllr Christy's comments were noted.

Most of Cllr Christy's issues have been addressed via email.

Without having the information/statements shared prior to the meeting [as has been requested/advised on many occasions], it was difficult to understand or address issues meaningfully.

Cllr Field effectively confirmed that the previous Christmas Lights Committee had resigned and he would not continue as Chair of a new Christmas Lights Committee.

This information had not been communicated to MTC.

The Mayor stated that, this being the case, steps would be taken to form a new, fully independent Christmas Lights committee.

Monies held in the FOMCL account would need to be returned to MTC.

Personnel and Admin – 13 January; Cllr Christy believes that full council should be involved in reviewing/agreeing the council's Risk Assessment (traditionally reviewed by P&A committee every January) and questioned the authority of the P&A committee.

7 Nominations for Mayor and Deputy Mayor 2026/2027

Cllr Spencer explained that whilst on 4 March 2025 he was voted in as Deputy Mayor for 2025/2026, with the natural progression to become Mayor in 2026/2027, he was experiencing some health issues which would not allow him to give 100% to his new role of Mayor in May 2026.

As such, Cllr Spencer proposed that that Cllr Andrew Woollard be re-elected as Mayor for a second term (2026/2027).

This was seconded by Cllr Purser, with all in favour.

Cllr Skoulding proposed that Cllr Spencer remain as Deputy Mayor and take on the role of Mayor in 2027/2028. This was seconded by Cllr Purser.

Cllr Court nominated Cllr Christy as Deputy Mayor for 2026/2027, seconded by Cllr Field.

With two nominations for Deputy, it was put to the vote.
Cllr Spencer received 8 votes, Cllr Christy received 2.
Cllr Spencer was duly elected as Deputy Mayor.

8 Cambridgeshire County Council Update

The Clerk reported that all email updates are being circulated on a daily-basis.

County Cllr Galbraith updated Councillors in relation to a number of highways improvement projects within the town.

Town Councillor raised queries/concerns re , inter alia, potholes, Maple Grove crossing, parking on Upwell Road, condition of Upwell Road and Floods Ferry.

9 Fenland District Council Update

The Clerk reported that all emails are being circulated on a daily-basis.

Cllr J French explained the ongoing issues with the party wall at the old Barclays Building and the toilets. Anglian Water need to install new sewage but will not commit to a date. Concerns were shared about boats pumping into the river if there are no available toileting facilities.

CPE will be on the agenda again at Cabinet on 22 April. It is hoped that Cabinet will support it.

The Clerk confirmed that £3,000 had been received from Burnt House. Cllr J French explained how these grants would be awarded.

10 Confidential Item

“In accordance with the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded from the meeting for [this item], which involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) as indicated”.



11 Payments List

The Payments List, as circulated, was agreed.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8:35pm.

Councillor A Woollard27 April 2026
Mayor of March.