

Statement from Marhamchurch Parish Council re Land near Pinch Hill

15 July 2025

As many residents know, Cornwall Council offered a piece of land to Marhamchurch Parish Council, at the top of Pinch Hill adjacent to Old Canal Close, that was originally allocated for housing.

Cornwall Housing decided it was not viable for development and offered it to Marhamchurch PC for £1 (and associated legal costs) about 4 years ago.

Since then, there has been ongoing discussions with both the Parish Council, Cornwall Council and adjacent neighbours.

However, the Parish Council were hoping to carry out some interim site clearance to see what was entailed as a management license was issued by Cornwall Council to enable this to take place. This was sadly met with some opposition.

The Parish Council have decided to delay any works, any associated inspections or to commit to any costs relating to this land until the boundary disputes are resolved.

Should the land transfer not be resolved, then Cornwall Housing will remain owners and potentially choose to sell it on the open market.

Hopefully this clarifies the current position, and residents are encouraged to attend future Parish Council meetings to discuss the land or contact the clerk: clerk.marhamchurchpc@gmail.com