

Marton-le-Moor Parish Council Parish Council meeting held on Monday, 13 November 2017 in the Meeting Room at 7.00pm

1. Present

- 1.1. Mr Sanderson (Co-Chair), Mrs Baker (Co-Chair), Mrs Thackray and Mr Shaw.
- 1.2. There were 6 members of the public present.

2. Declarations of interest

- 2.1. The Parish Council is the Holding Trustee of the Meeting Room.

3. Acceptance of the Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting and Parish Council meeting

- 3.1. The minutes of the Annual General meeting and Parish Council meeting held on Monday 11 September 2017 were unanimously agreed.

4. Apologies

- 4.1 Mrs Skidmore, County Councillor Robert Windass and Borough Councillor Nick Brown.

5. Matters arising

- 5.1. There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

6. Financial update

- 6.1. Mr Sanderson reported that the balance in the Community Account is £3,768.94 and the balance in the Business Premium Account is £1,536.93.
- 6.2. A cheque for £120.00 for the village website hosting was unanimously agreed.
- 6.3. A cheque for £38.38 for the village website domain renewal was unanimously agreed.
- 6.4. A letter authorising the bank statements to go to Mr Sanderson was signed.
- 6.5. A discussion took place on what level of precept should be requested. Based on income and outgoings for this year (£2,242.88 and £1,648.12 respectively), and noting that the grass cutting grant would not be available for next year, it was unanimously agreed that the precept should remain the same at £1,750.00. Mr Sanderson agreed to complete the form to advise Harrogate Borough Council by 19 January 2018.

7. Neighbourhood Watch

- 7.1. As Mr Cole sent his apologies there was no neighbourhood watch update at this meeting.

8. Planning applications

- 8.1. It was noted that an application for a garage and store at 10 Cana Lane was pending consideration.
- 8.2. It was noted that the outline planning application for the residential development of up to two properties at land off Whitegate Lane had been approved.
- 8.3. A discussion took place on the revised application for Village Farm. Mr Sanderson abstained from this. Although the number of proposed houses remains at five, three of the houses now have an increase in number of bedrooms, making the development two x four beds, two x five beds and one x six beds. It was noted that there were 14 parking spaces allocated within the development. Concerns were raised as to whether this would be enough, with the result that people would park on the road or on the farm access road (which is to be adopted). Concerns were also raised about the impact on the existing sewerage plant which is near capacity and the smell it creates. It was noted that a complaint about this has already been made to Yorkshire Water. As with previous proposals there were also concerns about the further increase in traffic, both cars to the new properties, as well as service vehicles which are often too big for small country roads; a lack of pavements in the village, combined with the increase in traffic already experienced with the change in use at the Air Base; and slow broadband speeds in the village would be made worse with increased usage. It was unanimously agreed

that the Parish Council would object and that Mrs Baker would respond to the revised application.

- 8.4. A discussion took place on an application for up to 16 houses on The Paddock, 10 at market value and six intermediate housing. Mrs Thackray abstained from the discussion. A petition has been signed by 66 out of 84 houses in the village objecting to the proposal. The concerns expressed were: access to the proposed development is on a blind bend which some cars approach at speed, and which is opposite the children play area; impact on the existing sewerage plant which is at capacity; village creep; lack of amenities in the village and poor broadband speeds; lack of pavements. As has been expressed with regards to previous applications there are concerns about over-development in the village. It was unanimously agreed to object to the development and Mrs Baker would respond.

9. Village projects

- 9.1. Mrs Thackray updated on the lack of an electrical supply in the phone box for a defibrillator. The National Grid and an electrical contractor will be required to re-connect the supply, which can take 6-8 weeks and cost around £200-300. It was agreed that would be a reasonable sum and should be built into the overall costings for the project. Councillor Robert Windass has agreed to fund part of the project. Mr Sanderson noted that Skelton Parish Council have just installed a defibrillator and agreed to ask them how much it cost, in order that a request for funding can be made.

10. Correspondence

- 10.1. Mrs Baker raised that a letter had been received from the team who distribute the magazine Roundabout to the local villages to ask if the Parish Council would like to contribute an occasional article or to allow the notice board to be used to publicise local events. It was agreed that this would be acceptable, and that the village website could also be used. Mrs Baker agreed to advise the Roundabout distribution team.

13. Any other business

- 13.1. There was no other business raised.

14. Date of next meeting

- 14.1. The next meeting will be Monday 05 February 2018 and will commence at 7.00pm.