

Marton-le-Moor Parish Council Parish Council meeting held on Monday 16 April 2018 in the Meeting Room at 7.00pm

1. Present

- 1.1. Mr Sanderson (Co-Chair), Mrs Baker (Co-Chair), Mrs Thackray, Mr Shaw, County Councillor Robert Windass (part of meeting) and Borough Councillor Nick Brown (part of meeting).
- 1.2. There was one member 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 Parish Council meeting

- 3.1. The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 05 February 2018 were agreed subject to the following amendment requested by Borough Councillor Nick Brown: 8.2 to read: The proposal for 3,000 houses in the Greater at Hammerton area has also gone to the Inspector.

4. Apologies

- 4.1 None

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 £4,178.16 and the balance in the Business Premium Account is £1,537.97.
- 6.2. The increase in the Community Account is due to the receipt of £750.00 from the locality grant to part-fund a defibrillator.
- 6.3. A cheque for £119.00 for membership of the YLCA was unanimously agreed. It was noted that increasing legislation, for example in data protection, supports a decision to continue membership.
- 6.4. Mr Sanderson advised that the internal audit with other Parish Councils is due on 09 May 2018. After that is completed the Parish Council will need to review and agree; there is no requirement this year to involve an external auditor.

7. North Yorkshire County Council update

- 7.1 Mr Windass advised that HGV restriction signs are starting to go up around the Boroughbridge area due to concerns about the parking of HGVs delivering in the Roecliffe area.
- 7.2 Mrs Baker raised concerns about the deterioration in the roads in and around the village. Mr Windass advised to report this to Area 6 via the Parish portal.

8. Harrogate Borough Council update

- 8.1 Mr Brown updated on his recent meeting with Yorkshire Water where concerns were expressed about the capacity of the sewerage system and the need for investment in infrastructure, particularly in the light of the large increase in new houses in the Boroughbridge area. It was noted that this was a constructive meeting and that dialogue will continue.
- 8.2 Mr Brown requested that the Parish Council feeds back on the planning process, attitudes of staff etc, in advance of a review of the planning department. Mrs Baker asked that all Parish Councillors email comments to her to collate.
- 8.3 Mr Brown advised that an application for 2,700 houses at Flaxby, along with a park and ride and new station had been received. This could also include a district heating scheme utilising the heat generated by Allerton Park Waste Recovery Centre, and employment prospects from the development of a new business park in the area.

- 8.4 Mr Sanderson raised the amount of litter and waste that was dumped on the common land on the Sharow road. Mr Brown advised that Harrogate Borough Council have agreed to clear the site if measures are put in place to stop it from happening again, and that a grant from the locality budget had been given to Copt Hewick and Hutton Parish Council in support of this.

9. Neighbourhood Watch

- 9.1. There was no neighbourhood watch update.

10. Planning applications

- 10.1. The planning application for alterations to the roof to create two bedrooms, a new car port and alterations to the windows at Grange Farm Granary has been approved.
- 10.2. The planning application for 16 new dwellings on land at Chapel Land has been declined.
- 10.3. The amendments to the application for five houses at Village Farm have been agreed, including a condition that development cannot begin until a scheme for affordable housing has been submitted and approved. It was noted that this was the first time that affordable housing had been mentioned in connection with this application.
- 10.4. Mrs Baker advised that correspondence has been received from Harrogate Borough Council Planning Officers on a proposed half-day session with Parish Councils to improve knowledge on the planning process. The dates for this are to be advised.

11. Village projects

- 11.1. Mrs Baker advised that £750.00 had been received from County Councillor Robert Windass' locality budget towards the purchase of a defibrillator. Thanks for this support was noted. Mrs Baker advised that she would obtain some quotes to agree at the next Parish Council meeting. Mr Sanderson agreed to email the Meeting Room Committee to ensure there is no objection to the defibrillator being sited at the Meeting Room.

12. Correspondence

- 12.1. It was noted that four of the current Parish Councillors had stood for re-election. Mrs Skidmore had chosen not to seek re-election and thanks were expressed for her support to the Parish Council over the last 18 months.
- 12.2. All Parish Councillors need to complete their Declaration of Acceptance as soon as possible and complete a return of expenses by 31 May 2018.
- 12.3. Mr Sanderson updated on the General Data Protection legislation which comes into force on 25 May 2018. This was raised at the recent Joint Parish Council meeting, and all of the Parish Councils have agreed that an audit of information held should be undertaken. Mr Sanderson agreed to complete this.
- 12.4. Mrs Baker advised that a survey had been received from North Yorkshire County asking for views from Parish Councils on whether they would wish to purchase a vehicle activated speed sign (approximately £6,500 over four years) or a speed indicator device (costing between £2,000 - £5,350). It was agreed that the problem of speeding vehicles in the village was not so bad as to justify this spend. Mrs Baker agreed to complete the survey.
- 12.5. Mrs Baker advised that the next Parish Consultation meeting was 28 June and if anyone wished to attend to let her know.

13. Any other business

- 13.1. It was suggested that a fruit tree in the village community garden could be planted to remember John Blackburn.
- 13.2. It was noted that a leylandii tree in the cemetery needs trimming, and Mr Sanderson agreed to look into this.
- 13.3. Thanks were expressed to everyone who took part in the litter pick on 25 March.
- 13.4. It was noted that moles are becoming a problem again in the playing field and therefore it was prudent to take action now.

14. Date of next meeting

- 14.1. The next meeting will be Monday 4 June 2018, and will include the Annual General Meeting, commencing at 7.00pm.