Marton-le-Moor Parish Council meeting held on Monday, 14th January 2019 in the Meeting Room at 7.00pm

1. Present

1.1. Mrs Baker (Co-Chair), Mr Sanderson (Co-Chair), Mr Shaw, Mrs Thackray and Mr Wilkinson.1.2. There were 4 members of the public present plus a further 2 joining the meeting part way through.

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 Parish Council meeting (08 October 2018)

3.1. The minutes of the Parish Council meeting of Monday 8th October 2018 were unanimously agreed.

4. Apologies

4.1. District Councillor Nick Brown and North Yorkshire Councillor Robert Windass.

5. Matters arising

8.1. There were no matters arising.

6. Financial update

6.1 Balance in the Community Account is £3110.36 and the balance in the Business Premium Account is £1,540.28. £198.67 has been received from NYCC for grass cutting and £211.20 from the VAT reclaim.

6.2 Invoices of £220.80 to Farm and Land Services, £78.00 to The Play Inspection Company and £120 for the Parish Council website hosting have all been paid

6.3 It was agreed to continue with Farm and Land Services for 2019. When confirming back to them they are to be reminded to include the cutting of the area by Reservoir Cottage.

6.4 Mr Sanderson has renewed the domain and e-mail registration and was paid by cheque during the meeting the fees he had already paid.

7. Neighbourhood Watch

7.1 Mr Cole stated nothing to report but enquired if it was felt the barriers that had been placed to block entrances to fields/gaps in hedges to vehicles had had any effect in preventing lamping etc. Mr Sanderson said that he felt that it had.

7.2 Mr Sanderson updated regarding a new initiative that will see volunteers take part in a "night watch". Local volunteers, mainly farmers, will go out in pairs and patrol an area and will have contact via radio with on duty police officers to report any issues or incidents.

8. Planning applications

8.1 There is expected to be an application to fell two leylandii trees in Tithe Way

8.2 The new draft Harrogate District Local Plan is due to be inspected at a Public Inquiry that will run from mid-January to mid-February 2019. Gareth Owens, Chair of Kirby Hill RAMS will be making representations on behalf of the local community in respect of housing and the proposed MSA.

9. Village Projects

9.1 Mrs Baker confirmed paperwork was with her to be completed. She will have completed and submitted it in order to place the order by the end of January.

9.2 The playground inspection revealed nothing major in their view but we are aware of certain issues such as loose "stepping stones" – one of which had already been removed by Mr Sanderson and bolts in need of checking and tightening on the swings etc. Plus all equipment could do with a clean up.

9.3 Mr Sanderson will check the bolts etc and look back for the original paperwork to see what, if any, guarantee came with the equipment upon installation back in 2012. He will also e-mail the organisers of the Village Clean Up to add the playground to the list of jobs so a group could wash/wipe down equipment instead of litter picking.

9.4 Mrs Thackray will look and see whether there are any viable alternatives to wood with regard to replacing the stepping stones etc as they weather and wear and give feedback at the next meeting.
9.5 The area around the phone box has had bulbs planted and the planter is ready for spring planting once the time is right. The phone box itself will be shelved and have a light fitted to be used as a library. Once complete, books will be gratefully received as donations to stock it.

10. Correspondence

10.1 Harrogate Borough Council have commenced work on a Community Infrastructure Levy and is inviting formal representations on its Draft Charging Schedule. The consultation begins on Friday 11th January 2019 and finishes at 4.30pm om Friday 22nd February 2019. The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) replaced Commuted Sums and HBC would set a rate that would be levied on development.

10.2 North Yorkshire County Council are consulting before setting the 2019/20 budget. The deadline to complete the survey is Monday 21st January 2019.

10.3 An e-mail received advising that there is an on-site Visitor Centre at Allerton Waste Recovery Park which offers free talks and tours for community groups, schools and residents.

11. Any other business.

11.1 Mole traps will be set and monitored/maintained by Mr Shaw in the village playground. A notice will be put up to warn any visitors as to their presence and the mole man will be employed as usual at a later date in order to try and eradicate or, at least reduce, the issue.

11.2 An additional noticeboard was requested and so it was suggested and agreed that one will be incorporated into the phone box interior. Mr Wilkinson offered materials for the board itself which he will provide once the project requires.

12. North Yorkshire Update – Mr Windass

12.1 No update this meeting as Mr Windass was not able to attend and sent his apologies.

13. Harrogate Borough Council Update – Mr Windass

13.1 No update this meeting as Mr Brown was not able to attend and sent his apologies.

12. Date of next meeting

12.1. The next meeting will be Monday 18th March 2019 and will commence at 7.00pm. Please advise should anyone become aware of a clash with Kirby Hill.