Marton-le-Moor Parish Council meeting held on Monday, 15th July 2019 in the Meeting Room at 7.00pm

1. Present

1.1. Mrs Baker (Co-Chair), Mr Sanderson (Co-Chair), Mr Shaw and Mrs Thackray.District Councillor Nick Brown and County Councillor Robert Windass joined for part of the meeting.1.2. There were 4 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 Parish Council meeting

3.1. The minutes of the Parish Council meeting of Monday 13th May 2019 were unanimously agreed.

4. Apologies

4.1. Mr Wilkinson.

5. Matters arising

8.1. There were no matters arising.

6. Financial update

6.1 Balance in the Community Account is £1,035.12 and the balance in the Business Premium Account is £1,541.82.

6.2 the following invoices were unanimously agreed: Farm & Land Services, £413.40; Image Playground, £660.00; M&R Tinsley, £246.00; Came & Co, £383.11; and S & J Kidson, £50.40. Mr Sanderson advised that a VAT return has been received of £496.40.

7. Neighbourhood Watch

7.1 Mr Cole said that there would be a meeting of the Safer Neighbourhood Group on Wednesday 24th July but there was nothing else to report.

7.2 Mr Sanderson and Mr Shaw will be taking part in the Rural Watch on 18th July from 21.00-01.30, working with the police to check the area for rural crime.

8. Planning applications

8.1 Application for 16 dwellings at the Paddocks has been approved on appeal.

8.2 Village Farm revised scheme (5 dwellings) has been approved.

8.3 Application for Grange Farm Granary to raise the roof in car port has been agreed.

8.4 New application for Grange Farm Granary to demolish the car port to build a dwelling has been received.

9. Village Projects

9.1 Defibrillator training has taken place and was well attended.

9.2 Thanks to Dishforth Garden Centre for donating the plants around the village signs.

10. Correspondence

10.1 Mr Sanderson advised that an email had been received informing that the compost bin for the community garden was being mis-used, with the wrong material being added to it. It was recommended that the community garden users put a weatherproof sign on the compost bin to explain what plant material can be added.

11. Any other business.

11.1 Mrs Wilkinson raised the issue of the difficulty and danger of pulling out of Tithe Way again and asked Mr Windass what progress had been made as she had raised the issue initially six months previously. She also highlighted that the need was now greater due to the approval to build a further 16 houses which will increase traffic flow on the road, especially during construction due to the large vehicles involved.

Mr Windass advised he had sent an e-mail regarding the issue on 20th June but said he would resend it but copy in Melissa Burnham to ensure a response. It was suggested the Melissa Burnham be offered an invite to the next meeting (30th September). Mrs Baker to provide Mr Windass with the details via e-mail.

12. North Yorkshire Update – Mr Windass

12.1 More roads are currently being surface-dressed and some more comprehensively resurfaced. The focus is on roads that will be used during the UCI Cycle Championship which will be coming through in September. Boroughbridge is on the route and Harrogate will, essentially, be closed during the event. Obviously, as a result many roads will improve but some roads in need of repair may be overlooked at this point.

12.2 Harrogate Relief Road consultation is now underway. The initial survey indicated that the majority of traffic was going into Harrogate rather than being through traffic. At present there is no specific route which means it is very difficult to determine impact. However, it is clear delays and congestion need to be addressed and a solution found.

12.3 Home to School transport for the post 16's is currently in consultation. Although not legally required, North Yorkshire County Council has always provided it to those with special educational needs. However, as parents with children in mainstream education pay for the service it is being proposed that it is made equal and both should be paid by parents rather than council funded.

13. Harrogate Borough Council Update – Mr Brown

13.1 The Local Plan is progressing and is awaiting the final comments from the Inspector. It is believed that there is circa a 7 year supply and so there will not be a need to approve a lot of further housing unless there is a really strong argument and true need for it.

13.2 It is reported that Highways England are not happy with the proposed Services due to accessibility and so no further action is being taken by any groups at present regarding ongoing objection.

13.3 Both Mr Brown and Mr Windass are due to meet with Dr Crompton shortly regarding the issues patients are facing making appointments and accessing medical care. This is mainly driven by the disproportionate increase in population vs number of doctors at the practice in Boroughbridge. 13.4 Yorkshire Water have been reported to the Environment Agency regarding reports of contamination. The Environment Agency is now investigating.

13.5 Mr Brown raised with Mr Windass that the sighting, or restriction of, needs to be addressed by North Yorkshire County Council as many are restricted at present.

14. Date of next meeting

14.1. The next meeting will be Monday 30th September. Please note that the November meeting will now take place on Monday 25th November.