

Draft Minutes of Marton Cum Grafton Parish Council Ordinary Meeting

Held: Tuesday 15th July 2025

Present: Mr Rob Shepherd (RS) Chair; Hugh Creasy (HC) Alex Robinson (AR)
Sandra Windross (SW) Clerk.

Resident attendance 4

Agenda Point	Subject	Action
1. Note Apologies	Received from Cllrs Arabella Cornelius, Charlotte Sanderson-Lewis and Arnold Warneken	
2. Declarations of interest	None noted	
3.Minutes of the last meeting	The minutes of the meeting held on 10 th June 2025 were approved and signed.	
4. NYC matters	No discussion took place as AW was not present.	
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5.1 Playing Fields and Woodlands	Three quotes for the playground fencing have been received and CS has a contact who will provide a further quote. RS will look to apply for lottery/grant funding for this project. Some of the woodland paths/steps are also in need of repair. The largest job being the retaining wooden structure which holds back part of the hillside on the path down the bank towards the entrance to the playing fields. It has collapsed and will require a significant rebuild. Experience shows It is extremely difficult to find people with the necessary skills and experience to undertake this type of work, particularly given the challenging location. Two quotes have been received from Nick Spence Services for the rebuild of the retaining structure (£500) and a separate quote of £450 for the numerous steps that need repair/replacement. The spend was approved and funding will be sourced from Woodlands Group funds.	
5.2 Childrens play area	AC has asked for HAGS to repair and revitalise the play equipment. Work will commence shortly.	
5.3 Asphalt Plant update	There was no update	
6. Village Hall	AR advised there was no update since our last meeting.	
7. S106/CIL projects	The key project to fund from S106/CIL funds is kerbing, with granite sets, at the Braimber Lane end of Marton, where kerbing is currently non-existent and the verges have continued to be eroded by construction and agricultural traffic – we have requested an engineer from NYC Highways to undertake a site meeting, contact has been made and we are awaiting a date.	
8.1 Planning Applications	The following applications were received: 25/02083/FUL Erection of an agricultural building and replacement entrance, Aldborough Moor Farm, Marton cum Grafton YO51 9QR. Council had no objections	SW

8.2 Decisions	No decisions were received.	
8.3 Enforcement issues	Environmental Health recently attended following a couple of bonfires in Marton which elicited numerous complaints throughout Marton and Grafton regarding smoke & odour. A NYC Environmental Health Officer attended and Enforcement have issued letters to those responsible, which constituted a final warning for the burning of inappropriate items/material.	
9. Party/outdoor events	On the weekend (Fri/Sat) of 26 th July there is going to be a family and friends gathering in a field adjacent to Grafton Lane. A Temporary Events Notice has been granted. RS confirmed he has spoken to the organiser of the event and they have confirmed the music will cease at 11pm, and there will be no repeat of the fireworks display of last year. Hopefully all will pass quietly.	
10. Financial Matters	The clerk shared a financial summary and payments made during the month were noted as per Appendix I	
11. Correspondence noted	Correspondence the clerk had circulated was noted.	
11. Any other items for business and next meeting	<p>The verge is still unkempt at the entrance to Kilngarth with rubble etc making it difficult to cut the grass. RS agreed to ask Brierley to clear the debris.</p> <p>Date of next meeting – Tuesday 9th September 2025 at 7.30pm The meeting closed at 8.50pm.</p>	

Signed: Dated: