

**Marton Parish Council**  
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**You are hereby summoned to attend the Annual Parish Council Meeting** to be held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2025, 7.30pm, at Marton Primary School.

**Members:** Cllr. John Rylands, Cllr. Sue Webborn, Cllr. David McGowan, Cllr. Lucy Nixon, Cllr. Barrie Nolan, Cllr. Phil Cheetham, Cllr. Alistair Goodwin

**Apologies:**

**Clerk of the Council: Elizabeth Worrall**

**Dated: 9<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

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**AGENDA**

**1. To elect the Chairman for 2025 / 2026**

**PART 1 - PUBLIC AND PRESS**

There will be an opportunity for public participation at the start of the meeting at the discretion of the Chairman. This period will last for no longer than 15 minutes.

**2. To receive and approve apologies for absence.**

**3. To receive any declarations of interest.**

**4. To elect the Vice Chairman for 2025 / 2026**

**5. To receive and resolve to approve the [minutes of the Parish Council meeting held February 2025](#)**

**6. To receive a report from the Cheshire East Ward Councillor, if present.**

**7. To receive the [internal audit report for 2024/25](#) and, if applicable, to discuss any recommendations and improvements to be made**

**8. Section 1 Annual Governance Statement Section 2024/25 of the AGAR**

To receive and approve section 1 annual governance statement section 2024/25 of the AGAR and that the chairman and Clerk/RFO sign to confirm

[Accounts](#)

[AGAR](#)

[Variance Report](#)

**9. Section 2 Accounting Statements 2024/25**

To receive and approve section 2 Accounting Statements 2024/25 and that the chairman sign to confirm approval.

**10. Certificate of Exemption 2023/24**

To confirm that the council meet the criteria to declare themselves exempt from an external audit.

**11. To confirm the Public Inspection Period (Notice of Public Rights).**

**12. To review and adopt [Standing Orders](#)**

**13. To review and adopt [Financial Regulations](#)**

**14. To adopt the General Power of Competence for 2025 / 26, providing the Council is still eligible**

**15. To consider the following planning applications and any others since the publication of the agenda:**

- a) Marton Meadows Golf Club
  - i) [21/6443](#) - Extension Including landfill
  - ii) [20/4440M](#) - Driving Range
  - iii) [24/2357M](#) – car park
- b) Barlows
- c) Cherry Barrow Farm
  - i) tipped soil and debris
- d) Sandpit Farm – demolition of buildings [24/3592M](#)
- e) Marton Church
- f) Brookhouse Farm - Erection of agricultural building – [25/1233/FUL](#)

**16. To ratify the comments submitted for the following applications which required comments before this meeting.**

**[25/0269/VOC](#)**

*The Parish Council cannot see any logic in the applicant's explanation for not submitting a drainage scheme within the specified time scale. The ground levels for all the developments within the site are known. Whether it is intended for the hotel drainage system to be independent or combined with other developments on the site there are no factors that prevent producing a scheme for approval. There are concerns within the village regarding the capacity of the existing sewage works and associated pipeworks. Residents are experiencing smells and question the efficiency of the plant. Many years ago, the Parish Council was advised that the sewage works was at full capacity, since then a number of dwellings and businesses have been added. It would be sensible for United Utilities to review the capacity and efficiency of the sewage plant prior to any further additions. Five years is more than enough time for the applicant to produce details of the proposed drainage scheme, and therefore we see no reason to amend condition 6. However, the Parish Council does not wish to delay this project and suggest a moderate extension of time be granted to enable the applicant to comply.*

**[25/0105/VOC](#)**

*The Parish Council objects to this application. For the last 18 months the village has endured a constant stream of HGV, carrying soil along the A34 along with the corresponding noise, vibration and dust. To ask for a further year is both unacceptable and unreasonable. One of our residents has put off the external decoration of his house until the wagons stop, we cannot ask them to delay this even further. Following complaints from the residents, the Parish Council has recently written to Marton Meadows regarding breaches of the planning conditions as well as excessive mud on the road and footpaths. The applicant has created huge stockpiles contrary to condition 21 and villages have reported work commencing prior to the agreed times which is contrary to condition 14, The stated reason for condition 13 is "In the interest of highway safety and residential amenity". It is a sensible and justifiable clause and should be upheld.*

**17. To discuss the Community Infrastructure Levy funds and possible items that this could be spent on**

[Guidance notes](#) included for Councillor reference

**18. To receive updates on village maintenance projects**

- a) Marton Environmental Plan
- b) Planters
- c) Oak Lane / Oak View Hedges
- d) Village Green
- e) Wildflowers
- f) Litter pick
- g) Litter signs
- h) Dog mess

**19. To discuss adoption of a formal donation policy, including potential donations to be made to the Church and to a bench for the Spinney**

[Draft policy](#) included for Councillor reference

**20. To discuss and confirm acceptance of a donation by the Capesthorne Estate, for purchase of a new picnic bench for The Spinney**

**21. To receive and resolve to approve the accounts for payment:**

BALANCE OF ACCOUNT – £13,246.52 (as of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025)

**PAYMENTS MADE**

Fisher German (Hire)	£5.00
John Purcival (plants)	£70.00
HMRC	£149.60
Clerk Salary (Q1)	£223.76
Defibrillator (Jenny Cooke)	£373.20
Coffee Morning (John Rylands)	£17.25

**PAYMENTS TO BE APPROVED**

Village Meeting Expenses (John Rylands)	£55.30
CHALC Membership	£72.54

**RECEIPTS**

Interest (March)	£9.48
Community Infrastructure Levy	£8,224.50
VAT Refund	£140.42

[Bank Reconciliation \(year opening\)](#) to be signed by the Chair.

**22. To discuss any outstanding action points from the last meeting, not covered elsewhere in discussions**

**23. To confirm dates for the remainder of 2025 and early 2026**

Suggested dates, based on previous pattern:

- 15<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- 16<sup>th</sup> September 2025
- 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2025
- 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2026

**24. Any other correspondence**

**25. To note the date of the next Parish Council meeting to held on date TBC in July 2025**