North Marston Parish Council

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MINUTES

Extraordinary Meeting – CLOSED SESSION Tuesday 16th September 2025

To: Councillors I Mordue (Chairman), A Boyt (Vice Chairman), D Hogbin-Mills, K Du-Plessis, B Newman, S Hill and M Tanner

Confidential Session

This meeting has been convened by the Chairman under the provisions of the *Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960* and you are hereby summoned to attend.

Owing to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the press and public will be excluded from attendance.

AGENDA

114/25 – Apologies: Apologies were received from Councillor Du-Plessis

115/25 – Declarations of Interest: There were no declarations of interest from Members.

116/25 - Purpose of the Meeting

To consider legal matters relating to a parcel of land situated to the north of Quainton Road, North Marston.

RESOLVED: The Parish Council agreed to instruct its solicitor to send correspondence to the Holtons' barrister setting out a proposed financial settlement. As this remains an ongoing legal matter, the specific details of the proposal will not be disclosed publicly at this time.

The Clerk was requested to obtain information on any costs that may be incurred by the Parish Council should it choose to withdraw from the process at the present stage.

In discussing this matter, the Parish Council noted that any decision to withdraw would be based solely on the potential financial impact on public funds, for which the Council is accountable. The Council reaffirmed its continuing belief that the land in question rightfully belongs to the Parish; however, it acknowledges legal advice indicating that it does not have a sustainable legal case to pursue further.

Jan Brandon

Clerk to North Marston Parish Council, 20th September 2025