Parish Councillor Report for Adrian A Walker – November 2023

• 4.1 Nunthorpe Neighbourhood Plan

It is disappointing to note that we do not have full support from all Ward and Parish Councillors some of whom have not attended any of the exhibitions or "Working Group" meetings arranged by Wade Tovey.

I have become aware that Middlesbrough Council is eyeing up land in Nunthorpe for disposal in order to help improve its financial position.

• 4.4 Grey Towers Village

Residents have informed me that they are pleased that work has started on Pond 1 at The Village Green to clear the vegetation and the large public green space off Cotcliffe has been cut, but other long standing issues remain.

• 5.2 War Memorial and Remembrance Sunday

I am pleased to report that the new benches have been installed (many thanks to the volunteers) and the Church Warden has asked me to pass on thanks to the Parish Council for facilitating this.

There was a great turnout of volunteers on Thursday the 2nd November to install the Poppy display with over 2,000 poppies made by the Nunthorpe and Marton Knitters. We are also pleased to see displays in nearby Ormesby and Marton.

On Remembrance Sunday, I was pleased to do a reading at the Service, Councillor McClintock read out the names of those who had fallen in the First World War. Wreaths were laid by Councillor McArdle (on behalf of Nunthorpe Parish Council) Wade Tovey (on behalf of Nunthorpe Community Council) and Andy Murphy-Brown (on behalf of Marton West Community Council).

The event was very well attended, more than I have seen before and St Mary's Church commented on our Facebook post as follows:

"Many thanks to all who took part – it was good to remember together"

• 5.3 Public Rights of Way, Bridleways and Waste Management

Councillor McArdle and Councillor McClintock have had a ward walk with the Rights of Way Officer and progress has been made in a number of areas.

• 5.4 Traffic and Footpaths

At a meeting with Councillor McClintock, myself and Middlesbrough Council, Councillor Gavigan and Director Field where pressed to repair pavements and arrange for hedges to be cut back – particularly along Guisborough Road.

5.5 Crime and Anti Social Behaviour

There have been incidents of antisocial behaviour at The Avenue Park about which Cleveland Police and Middlesbrough Council have been pressed for action to prevent reoccurrence.

Residents have been complaining about dogs barking at Matfen Avenue.

Neighbourhood Watch

Cleveland Police fully support the endeavours of Marton and Nunthorpe Neighbourhood Watch to tackle ASB and Crime across Marton, Nunthorpe and surrounding areas. With this in mind, the Neighbourhood Policing Team have agreed to meet regularly with Councillors from Marton (West & East) & Nunthorpe and the Neighbourhood Watch Team (a private group that currently has 1.6k members)

9. NMPFA

The Parish Council has received the following message from a resident via Facebook:

"just wondered if anyone knows or is interested that the nunthorpe and marton recreation club sports section are trying to close down the tennis section"