

**Minutes of a meeting of Scarning Parish Council
held in the Village Hall on 16 March 2015.**

Present Mrs W Brown, Mr C Farnham, Mr S Faulkner,
Mrs P Page, Mr M Steward, Mr D Wood.
Mrs E Gould, Mr W Richmond, Mrs L Turner.
Nine members of the public. In attendance Mr N Hartley.

The meeting opened with a short presentation by Dereham Town Clerk, Tony Needham. The Town Council is proposing to carry out a Neighbourhood Plan. The Town Council is uncertain whether this will include the Draytonhall Lane estate. Breckland Council will advise them if the estate needs to be included. Mr Faulkner proposed that the boundary should be as tight as possible. It was agreed that Mr Needham will liaise with the Clerk and Councillor Faulkner.

1. Welcome and Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Ms F Bradford, Mr A Horwell and Ms J Magrath, who were working. The chairman noted the death in January of former parish councillor, Brian Newton-Cox.

2. Declarations of Interest

Mrs Brown in the cheques to herself and her husband, Mr T Brown, and the cheque for her Chairman's Allowance.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 19 January 2015 were confirmed and signed.

4. Matters Arising

None.

5. Finance

a. Current balances

Barclays Current account £3,860.57 Scottish Widows £28,650.70

b. Payments made and approved in accordance with budget

Cq 101569 A Newton, rebuild Youth Shelter on Water Meadows, £954
101570 Scarning Village Hall, hire of Village Hall 2014-2015, £76.50
101571 Abacus, repair to Parish Council photocopier, £30
101572 NGF Play Ltd, maintenance contract, £148.80
101573 N Hartley, reimbursement of expenses, £370.50
101574 W Brown, Chairman's Allowance, £74.53
101575 L F Everett & son, printing January newsletter, £309
101576 L F Everett & son, printing March newsletter, £309
101577 T Brown, delivering January and March newsletters, £100
101578 W Brown, delivering January and March newsletters, £20
101579 N Hartley, delivering January and March newsletters, £20
101580 S Bradford, delivering January and March newsletters, £20
101581 J Hamling, delivering January and March newsletters, £20
101582 M Hammond, delivering January and March newsletters, £20
101583 C Eglen, delivering January and March newsletters, £20
101584 A Protheroe, delivering January and March newsletters, £20
101585 N Protheroe, delivering January and March newsletters, £20
101586 Norfolk Rural Community Council, annual subscription, £20
101587 Viking, office supplies, £248.78

c. Payments Received

Mr R Allsop, rent for former Broadway Allotments, £311.14
Cash and cheque, sale of war book, £10
Homeworks, newsletter advertisement, £120
Midshires Care Ltd, newsletter advertisement, £120
Zurich Insurance, insurance claim to rebuild Youth Shelter, £854
Cash and cheque, sale of Scarning War Book, £10
W C Littleproud & son, newsletter advertisement, £90
T Rudling, rent of land at Fir Acre, Scarning Fen, £5
Cash, sale of war book, £10

Scarning Playing Field Committee, rent of Playing Field, £0.05
N Eagle, rent in respect of former Highway Surveyors Land at Chapel Lane, £10
E Bush, rent in respect of former Highway Surveyors Land at Daffy Green, £1

d. Report from Internal Control Officer

Mr Farnham noted that all relevant checks had been carried out.

6. Standing Orders

The Council's Standing Orders were reviewed and approved.

7. Public Participation

The meeting was adjourned for Public Participation. Mrs Gould noted that Breckland Council has frozen the Council Tax for the forthcoming year and maintained free car parking in Dereham. Grants of up to £1,000 are available from Pride in Breckland.

Mr Richmond noted that Parish Partnership funding is available if the Council has any projects. He noted that he attends the Safer Neighbourhood meetings in Dereham if there are any matters that need to be put to him.

8. Planning

Breckland Council decisions

Mr & Mrs G Sutton, Beech Croft, Shipdham Lane Single storey rear extension to existing annex	Approved
Mr P Brunton, Fordway, Podmore Lane Raising roofline to incorporate rooms in roof with former windows to front of property	Approved
Mr D Smith, 8 Jessopp Close New dwelling	Outline Planning Permission approved
Mr & Mrs K Doughty, Brookside Barn, Chapel Lane New Cartshed	Approved
Mr C Druce, 1 Park Farm Cottages Detached 3 bay cart shed style garage	Approved
NR20 Developments, Adjacent 65 Dereham Road Cottage style house and garaging	Approval of Reserved Matters

9. Reserves

It was agreed to put the following into reserves. £2,500 for the purchase and associated cost of a Defibrillator, £6,000 toward the purchase of Outdoor Fitness equipment, £1,000 for Legal Fees in respect of registering the Council's land, £4,000 to Scarning Conservation Volunteers for signs on the Water Meadows and £6,00 for play equipment for older children.

10. Litter Bin

It was agreed to purchase a litter bin for the small children's play area on Scarning Water Meadows.

11. Defibrillator

It was agreed to arrange a meeting with representatives of the Village Hall Trust.

12. Advertising Policy

The proposed policy proposal re advertisements in the Village Newsletter and on the Village Website was amended and approved.

13. Website Advertising Finance

The cost of advertisements on the Village Website was agreed at £10.

14. Land Sale at Fir Acre

It was agreed to postpone this item pending receipt of further information.

15. Street Lighting Contract

It was agreed to appoint Pearce and Kemp as the council's contractors.

It was agreed to postpone consideration of whether to convert the Council's street lights to LED to see if grant funding is available to the Council.

16. Twinning Proposal

It was agreed to obtain further information about twinning.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8.40pm.