

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

Present Cllrs W Brown, S Dickerson, C Hewson, J Magrath, P Page, M Steward.
Mr W Richmond (Norfolk County Councillor) Mrs L Turner (Breckland District Councillor)
In attendance Mr N Hartley (Parish Clerk). Two members of the public.

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Farnham, who was on holiday. Cllr Faulkner and Cllr Bradford were not present.

2. Declarations of Personal or Business Interest

Cllr Brown in the cheques to herself and Mr T Brown, her husband.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 September 2015 were confirmed and signed.

4. Matters Arising

The clerk noted that Breckland Council had refused permission for a new dog bin on Shipdham Lane as there had been no reports of any issues of dog fouling reported to the Council or the Dog Warden. There were also concerns regarding road safety when emptying a bin in this location.

The clerk advised the meeting of the cost of a street light near the bus shelter on Dereham Road opposite Chestnut Road. The Council will consider the installation of a solar powered light at its next meeting.

5. Finance

a. Current balances

Barclays £19,274.32 Scottish Widows £19,766.56

b. Payments to be made and approved in accordance with the budget

Cq 101653 NGF Play Ltd, installation of Outdoor Fitness equipment, £12,550.20
101654 NGF Play Ltd, signage for Outdoor Fitness equipment, £249
101655 P Yaxley, grass cutting in Scarning churchyard, £190
101656 NPTP, course for clerk, £35
101657 N Hartley, reimbursement of part clerk's phone/internet cost, £74.48
101658 Walton Associates, annual service of church clock, £75
101659 Thinking Rural CIC, payroll services, £12
101660 Big C, charitable donation (Section 137), £100
101661 Dereham Cancer Care, charitable donation (Section 137), £100
101662 East Anglian Children's Hospice, charitable donation (Section 137), £100
101663 East Anglian Air Ambulance, charitable donation (Section 137), £100
101664 Vitalise, charitable donation (Section 137), £100
101665 Norfolk Accident Rescue Service, charitable donation (Section 137), £100
101666 Dereham Blind Club, charitable donation (Section 137), £100
101667 Cheque spoiled
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101669 Dereham Meeting Point, donation towards running costs (Section 137), £150
101670 Citizens Advice Bureau, donation towards running costs (Section 142), £150
101671 A Newton, cutting and clearing hedge on Dereham Road, £144
101672 P Yaxley, grass cutting in Scarning churchyard, £190
101673 Eon, unmetered street lighting, £122.30
101674 Wybone, purchase of dog bin for Village sign lay-by, £290.16
101675 P Canham, control of moles on Water Meadows playing field, £180
101676 L F Everett & son, printing newsletter, £206
101677 W Brown, delivery of November newsletter, £10
101678 T Brown, delivery of November newsletter, £50
101679 A Protheroe, delivery of November newsletter, £10
101680 N Protheroe, delivery of November newsletter, £10
101681 Thinking Rural CIC, payroll services, £12
101682 Mansfield Fencing, works at Water Meadows play area and fitting dog bin, £240
101683 NGF Play Ltd, maintenance and repairs to Outdoor Fitness equipment, £517.50
101684 NGF Play Ltd, replace swing beams on Water Meadows play area, £507.12
101685 P Canham, control of moles on Water Meadows playing field, £135
101686 Scarning Parish Council, Scottish Widows account, transfer funds, £10,000
101687 P Yaxley, grass cutting in Scarning churchyard, £190

c. Payments Received

Breckland Council, part precept, £15,0000
Cash, sale of War Memorial book, £5
Ivan Fisher Funerals, newsletter and website ad, £130

d. Report of actual Expenditure Against Budgeted Expenditure

6. Public Participation

The meeting was adjourned for Public Participation. Mrs Turner noted that Breckland Council is providing community grants for the Queen's 90th birthday next year. Mr Richmond noted the expiry date for applications under the Parish Partnership Scheme.

7. New bank signatory.

It was agreed to appoint Mrs P Page as a new signatory.

8. Community Car Scheme

The clerk noted that he had received expressions of interest from five members of the public. As most of those expressing an interest lived on Draytonhall Lane estate, it was agreed to ask Dereham Town Council if Scarning could be attached to its Car Scheme.

9. Newsletter

It was agreed to see if any of the existing deliverers wish to take on the deliveries made by Cllr Brown and her husband, who are stopping delivery of the newsletter.

10. Outdoor Fitness Equipment Contract

It was agreed to accept NGF Play Ltd's quote to maintain both areas of Outdoor Fitness equipment and the Zip Wire.

11. Speed Activated Sign

It was agreed to proceed with an application under the Parish Partnership Scheme and to take Norfolk County Council's advice regarding the exact location.

12. Scarning Churchyard

The clerk read three tenders for the contract. It was agreed to accept Angus Newton's quote to cut the grass in the churchyard following the retirement of Mr P Yaxley.

13. Verges and Water Meadows playing field

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14. Parish Council Budget and Precept

It was agreed to set the Precept for next year at £30,000. A copy of the budget is attached.

15. Planning

a. Breckland Council decisions

Mr & Mrs S Parkinson, 12 Riverside Close Single storey rear extension to property	Approved
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b. Comments sent to Breckland Council

Dr Hernandez, 8 Riverside Close Erect conservatory to rear of property	No objection
Caring Homes Group, Oak Manor, Dereham Road Entrance porch/draft lobby to front of building	No objection

c. Applications considered

NR20 Developments, The Woodlands, Rushmeadow Road Two new dwellings	No objection, but the clerk was asked to check if the property is within the Settlement Boundary
NR20 Developments, 8 Jessopp Close New dwelling	No objection
Mrs M Blackburn, 6 Blackhorse Close Erection of summerhouse in garden	No objection

16. Water Meadows

It was agreed to lay down some shingle at the entrance to the Meadows at Gorse Close and to repair the gate, which is loose.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8.30pm.