

**Minutes of a meeting of Scarning Parish Council  
held in the Village Hall on 20 February 2017.**

Present Cllrs W Brown (Chair), F Bradford, S Dickerson, S Faulkner, C Hewson, P Page,  
M Steward. Mrs L Turner (Breckland Councillor) Mr W Richmond (Norfolk County  
Councillor) In attendance Mr N Hartley (Parish Clerk).

1. Welcome and Apologies for Absence

Cllr Farnham, who had a prior engagement and Cllr Magrath, who was unwell.

2. Declarations of Personal or Business Interest

None.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2017 were approved and signed as a true and accurate record.

4. Matters Arising

None.

5. Finance

a. Current balances

Barclays £6,486.34 Scottish Widows £15,870.59

b. Payments made and approved in accordance with the budget

Cq 101825 Thinking Rural, payroll services, £24  
101826 NGF Play Ltd, repairs/improvements to Water Meadows play equipment, £900.16

c. Payment Received

Cash, sale of First World War book, £10

6. Public Participation

The meeting was adjourned for Public Participation. It was noted that there is a public consultation about the dualling of the A47 to be held in March. The continued problems over flooding in the dip on Dereham Road near the allotments was noted, as was the erosion of the bank on Fen Road near the junction with the Broadway.

7. Planning

Applications considered

Mr & Mrs S Walpole, Willow Croft, Rushmeadow Road  
Conversion of garage to ancillary accommodation

3PL/2017/0049/HOU

**No objection, subject to a condition that the ancillary accommodation cannot be sold as a separate dwelling.**

Mr & Mrs D Baker

3PL/2017/0053/O

Adjacent the Homestead, Dereham Road  
New dwelling and garage (new dwelling)

**No objection.**

Mr G Hearn, Clear View, Church Farm Lane  
Demolish conservatory and erect extension

3PL/2017/0072/HOU

**No objection.**

#### 8. Planning Sub Committee

It was agreed that the council will meet monthly (excluding August) rather than establishing a separate Planning sub committee.

#### 9. Adoption of Phone Box

It was agreed that it was not the responsibility of the council to remove the telegraph pole next to the phone box.

#### 10. Speed Limit Petition

It was agreed to sign the Speed Limit petition for Dereham Road.

#### 11. Village Newsletter Advertisements

It was agreed that a business which is giving part of the proceeds of its sale in the Village Hall to Scarning church should pay for an advertisement in the newsletter and also if news of the event is placed in the text of the newsletter.

#### 12. Advertising Signs

It was agreed to ask Breckland Council's Enforcement team to contact the owners of some signs in the village and request their removal.

#### 13. Former Broadway Allotments

The tenant does not wish to renew his tenancy of the land. It was agreed to offer the land for rent on the open market. The council will consider how to remove the fridges off the land. It was agreed to offer the tenant £250 for the gates he put at either end of the land.

#### 14. Land at Dereham Road opposite Chestnut Road

It was agreed to accept Angus Newton's quote.

#### 15. Scarning Fuel Allotment Charity

A grant of £350 was agreed to the Fuel Allotment Charity for improvements to the path at Scarning Fen.

#### 16. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Monday 20 March 2017.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8.05pm.