

**Minutes of a meeting of Scarning Parish Council  
held in the Village Hall on 18 January 2016.**

Present Cllrs W Brown, F Bradford, S Dickerson, C Farnham, S Faulkner, 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). Three members of the public.

1. Apologies for Absence

None.

2. Declarations of Personal or Business Interest

Cllr Dickerson in the amended Planning Application at 1 Scarning Fen as a resident of Scarning Fen.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 November 2015 were confirmed and signed.

4. Matters Arising

The clerk noted that he had contacted Dereham Town Council to see if Scarning could be attached to its Community Car Scheme, but it could not be. He had also contacted the coordinator of the Gressenhall scheme to see if Scarning could be attached to its Car Scheme, but it was not something the coordinator was able to commit to.

5. Finance

a. Current balances

Barclays £3,839.14 Scottish Widows £29,766.56

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

Cq 101688 Berrys Hall Woodlands, Christmas tree, £145  
101689 Mansfield fencing, put up Christmas tree, £25  
101690 Wensum Valley Electrical, lights on Christmas tree, £78  
101691 Parsons & Co, valuation of land for Land Registry, £150  
101692 N Hartley, reimbursement of part clerk's phone/internet costs, £75.31  
101693 P J Canham, treatment of moles on Water Meadows, £135  
101694 NGF Play Ltd, maintenance of fitness equipment, £90  
101695 Eon, unmetered street light supplies, £122.30  
101696 P J Canham, treatment of moles on Water Meadows, £135  
101697 A Protheroe, delivery of January newsletter, £10  
101698 N Protheroe, delivery of January newsletter, £10  
101699 L F Everett & son, newsletter printing, £309  
101700 Mansfield Fencing, new gate post at Water Meadows, £65

c. Payments Received

East Anglian Stabling Ltd, newsletter advertisement, £210  
UK Power Networks, wayleaves, £29.60

d. Report of actual Expenditure Against Budgeted Expenditure

6. Internal Control Report

Cllr Farnham confirmed he had carried out all relevant checks.

7. Internal Audit

A report from the Internal Auditor was read by Cllr Brown, confirming that he had carried out an interim audit of the accounts and found no accounting errors.

8. Public Participation

The meeting was adjourned for Public Participation. Cllr Richmond noted that the Budget consultation for Norfolk County Council has closed and that reports will be submitted in due course.

A resident commented on the amended Planning Application at 1, Scarning Fen. It was noted that the entrance to the properties is constantly flooding after heavy rain and that the drains for the new property will go under the road. It was noted that when all the properties are fully occupied the drains will be more heavily used, which could cause further problems. The Council noted that these are not matters for the Parish Council. It was questioned who will maintain the proposed passing place and it was noted that it is on a bend, where drivers will not be able to clearly see cars.

The clerk was asked to write to the owner of Scarning Grange asking him to cut back the brambles at the entrance to the public footpath.

9. Queen's Birthday Celebrations

It was agreed to apply for a grant from Breckland Council to purchase bulbs to be planted on the verge between Hill Rise and the Beacon lay-by, subject to permission from Norfolk County Council. It was also agreed to purchase a tree for the Beacon lay-by.

10. Chestnut Road Bus Shelter

It was agreed to purchase a solar lamp for the bus shelter. It was questioned whether a solar lamp could be installed in the lay-by near the church. It was agreed to see how successful the one in the bus shelter is before considering the purchase of a second one.

It was agreed to see if the bus shelter at Black Horse Close could be moved to the right of Black Horse Close as it is not possible to see the approaching bus from the shelter where it is currently positioned.

11. Breckland Local Plan

It was agreed to keep the current Settlement Boundary for the village as it is and to support the overall levels of growth in the area.

12. Planning

**a. Breckland Council decisions**

Caring Homes Group, Oak Manor, Dereham Road  
Entrance porch/draft lobby to front of building

Approved

NR20 Developments, 8 Jessopp Close