

**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SCAWBY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 5th FEBRUARY 2025 IN THE VILLAGE HALL.**

In the Chair : Cllr T Powell

Also present: Cllr R Johnson, Cllr M Keyworth, Cllr N Askew,
Cllr J Frost, Cllr G Siddall, Cllr A Hall, Cllr N Barlow,
Cllr M Russell, Cllr J Chamberlain, Cllr R Holmes,

In attendance: Cllr J Lee, Cllr C Ross, Mrs K Pickering – Clerk, 7 members of the public.

PUBLIC FORUM

A member of the public advised the meeting of a Churches celebration, in which Scawby are participating, to be held on the weekend of 10/11 May. 14 churches are participating and the parish council was asked to promote if possible.

1..**APOLOGIES** : Cllr R Coleman, Cllr S Kemp.

2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST:** No matters to declare.

3. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
8th JANUARY 2025.**

IT WAS RESOLVED to adopt the minutes of the monthly parish council meeting held on 8th January 2025 and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes.

4. **CLERKS UPDATES OR REPORTS**

- Overgrown hedge – Walnut Drive – This matter is still outstanding. Ward Councillors agreed to follow this matter up.
- Litter bin – Ermine Street – Clerk has contacted N.L.C to ask if the bin can be moved – by N.L.C or alternatively the parish council. No response from N.L.C – the meeting felt that this bin wasn't being used in its present location.
- Defibrillator – positioned on highway – clerk has not yet received a update from N.L.C. Ward Councillors agreed to follow this up.
- To confirm a notice advertising the parish council vacancy has been posted – closing date 28th February 2025.

5. **PLANNING** - Opportunity for one person from each side to state, within 3 minutes, objections/support of contested applications.

a) Application PA/2025/58 – Notification to fell a semi mature sycamore situated within Scawby conservation area – Land North East of Vicarage Lane and Church Street, Scawby.

IT WAS RESOLVED to report NO OBJECTIONS OR COMMENTS.

b) Application PA/2024/1439 – Planning permission to vary condition 2 of PA/2019/1393(Approval of Reserved Matters) dated 18/10/2019 to amend the re-orientation of plot 5.

IT WAS RESOLVED to report NO OBJECTIONS OR COMMENTS.

- c) Application PA/2024/1410 – Planning permission to erect single-storey and first floor extensions to existing dwelling – Annes Cottage, Brook Lane, Scawby Brook

IT WAS RESOLVED to report NO OBJECTIONS OR COMMENTS.

- d) Proposed Solar Plant at Scawby Brook – a discussion took place regarding this proposed development. Cllr's Powell, Keyworth and Holmes attended the remote public consultation event. It was felt that the residents/public had been given very late notice of this remote public consultation and any questions posed by members of the public were not answered. The company holding the public consultation implied that they had formally consulted with the parish council, the presentation was very slick and did not address any of the concerns raised by members of the public. The clerk advised that if this proposed development had been granted a National Significant Infrastructure Project it would be looked at very favourably by the decision makers on this proposed development and if there is a grid connection already in place this will rapidly speed up the development process.

6. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS/CLERK WHO HAVE ATTENDED MEETINGS, REPRESENTING SCAWBY PARISH COUNCIL.

Cllr Keyworth advised that the Town and Parish Liaison meeting was postponed and no new date has been given as yet.

Cllr Powell advised that she attended the most recent planning committee meeting and the application relating to Redbourne Quarry has been allocated a further site meeting.

Cllr Johnson advised that he has held a meeting with the tree specialist and they are looking into a new tree planting campaign.

Cllr Frost attended the most recent NATS meeting, anti social behaviour figures have reduced and vehicle offences are slightly up on the year. There are a number of scams doing the rounds at the moment including gift card fraud. All these scams involve credit card purchases. People riding E Scooters will be given one warning and then the scooter will be confiscated.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- ERNLLCA newsletter
- ERNLLCA/NALC – various information emails
- N.L.C – Forthcoming meetings.
- Email from Haxey Parish Council – Request to support an appeal/ judicial review relating to the most recent Community Governance Review. Scawby PC agreed not to be involved in this matter.

8. FINANCE

Payee		Amount
Clerk – salary – January	BACS	728.23
HMRC - Q3	DD	67.84
Clerk - Expenses :		
Stationery//photocopying – 13.74		
Stamps - 24.65		
Travel – 19.50		
TOTAL EXPENSES	BACS	57.89
Sissons Gardening Services	BACS	764.95
(January contract charge)		
Sissons Gardening Services	BACS	1,264.00
(Repairs to fence at playing field)		
Sissons Gardening Services	BACS	80.00
Anglian Water	BACS	47.51
Xero	DD	39.60
Drax – electricity	DD	12.15
Drax – electricity	DD	101.41

The accounts for payment were proposed by Cllr J Frost and seconded by Cllr R Coleman and unanimously agreed.

INCOME RECEIVED : January : Football pitch hire : £48, VAT reclaim(Q3) - £1086.35

ii) The financial statement – The financial statement was presented at the meeting with no variances noted.

9. POLICE MATTERS

- i) NATS report – See agenda item 6.
- ii) New Police matters: No new police matters.

10. NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL HIGHWAYS MATTERS

- i. To receive reports from Broughton & Scawby Ward Councillors: Work on the A15/A180 will commence in March 2025. A speed reduction on Mortal Ash Hill will be implemented to 50mph. A new bus service/routes has been introduced and has been very well received. Time tables will be posted on the notice boards. It was emphasised that residents must use this bus service in order to keep it. Hornsby's (Bus Company) are celebrating 110 years of service this year. The 'Callconnect' bus service will commence in September when the 'Just Go' service will cease. It was noted that all the local drainage boards will be amalgamating. N.L.C cannot supply the 'Pink Pods' to villages – they are just positioned in Scunthorpe, however any litter picking equipment and bags are readily available. Work has not yet commenced on Brigg Road- N.L.C have marked up pot holes for repair which indicates that perhaps the road is not going to be completely resurfaced. However the white lines on the side of the road are urgently required. The mirrors positioned on the highway on Vicarage lane are still in place – N.L.C highways team will ensure that they are removed.
- ii. HGV's travelling to the quarries – No update to receive.

- iii. Scawby Brook matters – Cllr Hall advised that the hedges have not yet been flail cut – N.L.C highways officer did indicate some time ago that these hedges would be cut back as the refuse lorries are having difficulty accessing this location. The Ward Councillors have chased up this matter with highways officers.
- iv. Review of action list: Cllr Powell advised that a new location for the post to hold the radar activated speed sign on Gainsborough Lane needs investigation.
- v. New highways matters – It was noted that traffic travelling west bound on the M180 is particularly busy/congested at the moment.

11. PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE MATTERS

i. Planting Group:

- a) Co-op garden – adjacent the road and footpath – The clerk has received the contract for this area of land – it has been circulated to councillors and will be signed and sent back to the co-op immediately.
- b) Quotation : Gainsborough Lane junction to Butterfly bungalow – Remove all self season trees and wild roses, remove ivy from base of trees and all other established ivy, crown lift trees to improve shape, waste removal and disposal, chip and spread and suitable waste - £1,840.00

Cllr Holmes suggested that further quotations should be sought for this work. Cllr's Johnson and Hall agreed to look at the area and undertake some of the work themselves and then ask A Sissons to quote for the remaining work. An update will be provided next month.

- c) Any new planting matters to consider and agree: Two members of the public kindly offered to undertake regular pruning work of the shrubs in the community garden areas. They would charge an hourly rate and invoice appropriately. The volunteers were asked if they had public liability insurance. They do not have public liability insurance and therefore the meeting felt that this kind offer could not be accepted by the parish council.

Cllr Chamberlain advised the meeting that the planting group would once again be applying for a grant from Merlin Renewables to purchase shrubs, trees and bulbs. A discussion took place regarding protecting the shrubs and plants within the beacon area from rabbits and the grass being damaged by vehicles. Cllr Johnson agreed to bring to the next meeting ideas for bollards around the beacon area to protect the grass from vehicles.

The planting group have agreed to keep the bed on Oak Avenue and perhaps replant with shrubs and plants which are easier to maintain and less time consuming.

It was agreed to cancel the tubs and hanging baskets competition this year and just hold a sunflower competition. Sunflower seeds will be distributed to the school and placed in the post office and co-op store. The competition will be open to Scawby Parish residents with prizes of £30 + trophy, £20 + certificate, £10 + certificate.

Compost and fertilizer will be purchased with the vouchers won in the best kept village competition, Mrs Phillips and Cllr Chamberlain will arrange what is to be purchased and Cllr Johnson agreed to collect and store at the pavilion.

Playing Field Committee:

- a) Road/path to playing fields – The trees which were identified as hazardous have been taken down – The Nelthorpe Estate kindly helped with this matter.
- b) Any new playing field matters to consider and agree – Cllr Frost advised that the mole man will visit the playing fields soon.
- ii. Community Foundation Ireland grant: This organisation has advised that they require two separate applications from the village hall and the parish council. The documentation they require from the parish council will be quite difficult to provide as the parish council is a statutory body (to whom they usually do not award grants to), they tend to award grants to charities which the village hall is. Community Foundation Ireland are quite specific on the format they would like the parish councils accounts presenting to them – this is possible but it will entail the internal auditor undertaking some work and formally signing them off. The meeting agreed that the clerk could continue with this and ask the internal auditor if he will provide the accounts in the required format. The clerk will continue to try and meet all the governance requirements of Community Foundation Ireland.
- iii. Village Hall – Open Day – 12th July 2025 – 1pm – 3pm – to give consideration to the parish council being involved in this event. The meeting felt that it was a good idea to be involved in this event and Cllr's Keyworth and Siddall agreed to be involved.
- iv. New village matters – It was noted that the horse statue has been taken away and all the statues are going to be auctioned with proceeds going to cancer charities. Cllr Askew asked for an update on The Grove property in Scawby – but no update available. Cllr Askew also advised of fly tipping on the A15 side of Ermine Street.

12. ITEMS FOR PARISH NEWSLETTER /WEBSITE - Clerk to write.

13. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTHS MEETING

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING : Wednesday 5th March 2025 – 7pm – Village Hall.