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**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SCAWBY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 7th MAY 2025 IN THE VILLAGE HALL.**

In the Chair : Cllr T Powell

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

In attendance: Cllr J Lee, Mrs K Pickering – Clerk, 3 members of the public.

PUBLIC FORUM

1..**APOLOGIES** : Cllr R Johnson, Cllr J Lee.

2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST:** Item 5(b) – Cllr N Barlow.

3. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
2nd APRIL 2025.**

IT WAS RESOLVED to adopt the minutes of the monthly parish council meeting held on 2nd
April 2025 and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes.

4. **CLERKS UPDATES OR REPORTS**

- Defibrillator – positioned on highway – clerk has not yet received a update from N.L.C.
Ward Councillors agreed to follow this up.

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

- a) P/A 2025/459 – Planning permission to fell a sycamore tree within Scawby Conservation
area – Greenside, Orchard lane, Scawby.

The applicant presented to the meeting the reasons for the need to fell this tree.

IT WAS RESOLVED to report **NO OBJECTIONS OR COMMENTS**.

- b) P/A 2025/433 – Planning permission for front and side 2 storey extension, including
balcony and single storey side extension along with associated material changes – Birch
house, Mill lane, Scawby.

IT WAS RESOLVED to report **NO OBJECTIONS OR COMMENTS**.

- c) P/A 2025/292 – Planning application for the construction and operation of a photovoltaic
solar array, a battery energy storage system (BESS), associated access and infrastructure
– land to the East of Scawby Road (B1206), Scawby Brook.

IT WAS RESOLVED to **OBJECT** to this application, with 10 votes in favour of
objection and 1 against, providing the following reasons for the objection:

- The proposed development will remove the open landscape and good arable farmland
which should be used for food production. The parish council would prefer to see Brown
field sites used for solar energy rather than Greenfield sites. It will also create a poor
visual impact close to the road and screening/vegetation will not mask this obtrusive
visual impact. It will also have a detrimental impact on wildlife.

- The proposed plan indicate that the panels will be situated very close to the roadside which may provide a distraction to drivers along with the problems of ‘glint and glare’ associated with solar panels and the hazard this may cause to road users. Perhaps moving this proposed development away from the roadside would alleviate this problem.
- There are concerns regarding ground water surface drainage and surface water pollution – raised by Anglian Water.
- The Bio Mass production development adjacent may seem advantageous but it does double the risk of battery storage and transformer burnouts and explosions. Anglian water have expressed concerns regarding the water supply to cope with such eventualities.
- d) P/A 2025/416 – Notice of intention to fell a Dawn Redwood within Scawby conservation area – Beech Grove House, Coach House Gardens, Scawby.
The applicant presented to the meeting the reasons for the need to fell this tree.
IT WAS RESOLVED to report **NO OBJECTIONS OR COMMENTS**.
- e) P/A 2025/403 – planning permission to erect 3 self build dwellings – Land to the rear of King William IV Public House, 177 Scawby Road, Scawby Brook.
IT WAS RESOLVED to report **NO OBJECTIONS OR COMMENTS**.

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

- Cllr’s Keyworth and Holmes – ERNLLCA District Committee Meeting

Cllr Keyworth reported on one aspect of this meeting regarding the organisation of unitary councils and the impact of the creation of Greater Lincolnshire. Cllr Ross advised that Greater Lincolnshire (under the mayoral jurisdiction) will take control of public transport and highways in North Lincolnshire, however N.L.C will continue to serve residents in all the other aspects of council work.

Cllr Holmes reported on the promotion of the LIVE WELL scheme which tries to promote schemes, organisations and activities through an on line notice board which may benefit the well being of residents. Local parishes and groups are encouraged to promote their activities on this ‘notice board’.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- ERNLLCA newsletter
- ERNLLCA/NALC – various information emails
- N.L.C – Forthcoming meetings.
- Quotations from A Sissons
- Community grant – In Bloom – information
- Resident requesting an update on HGV’s and traffic through the village and the possibility of a weight limit.

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8. FINANCE

Payee		Amount
J Phillips(Plants, tree guards, pellets)	BACS	76.75
Clerk – salary – April	BACS	733.63
Clerk - Expenses :		
Stationery//photocopying – 19.71		
Stamps - 18.70		
Travel – 19.50		
TOTAL EXPENSES	BACS	57.91
HMRC – Q4 of 2024/5	DD	16.20
Sissons Gardening Services	BACS	764.95
(April contract charge)		
ERNLLCA – subscription	BACS	864.37
Nelthorpe School Charity	BACS	900.00
(Allotment rent)		
Xero	DD	39.60
Drax – electricity(April)	DD	117.04
Drax – electricity (April)	DD	50.23
Clear insurance	BACS	4,145.75
Barton Mowing Services	BACS	681.00
Anglian Water	BACS	652.11**
Barton Mowing Services	BACS	834.00
A Sissons	BACS	2,035.16
(Verge mowing and watering)		
A Sissons – co-op garden	BACS	420.00
J Phillips – Compost & Plants	BACS	69.95

** Clerk to withhold this payment and query as the invoice seems excessively high.

The accounts for payment were proposed by Cllr R Coleman and seconded by Cllr N Barlow and unanimously agreed.

INCOME RECEIVED : April : Playing fields income – 148.00, Albones allotment rent – 900, N.L.C precept - £20,000, VAT reclaim (Q4) – 394.46, WI - £68.00

ii) The financial statement – The new financial year has just commenced and the financial statement will be presented when more transactions have been completed.

9. POLICE MATTERS

i) NATS report – No report to receive.

ii) New Police matters: A damaged car has been recovered from the bottom of Silversides Lane. A motorbike ridden by two young men has been noted in the village recently – possibly a little suspicious – which has been reported to the Police.

10. NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL HIGHWAYS MATTERS

i. To receive reports from Broughton & Scawby Ward Councillors: Cllr Ross advised that Mortal Ash Hill will have lane closures between 12-16th May whilst a litter pick and gulley cleaning is undertaken. KCOM will return to the village on West Street shortly. The sale of some of the sculptures took place recently and raised £8,195 for the mayor's charity. Cllr Ross undertakes the role of mayor next Thursday for a one year term. N.L.C VE celebrations commence tomorrow with the raising of the flag in Church Square at 10.30am followed by a service in St Lawrence church and the laying of wreaths at 12noon. Foster care fortnight commences 12-25th may and a twilight walk takes place on 16th May at 5.45pm from Church Square celebrating the Foster care initiative. A Flower and food festival takes place at Normanby hall on 15 June 2025.

Cllr Ross was asked to continue to press for the mirrors to be removed which are inappropriately/illegally erected on the highway.

ii. HGV's travelling to the quarries – Cllr Frost advised that a Brianplant lorry has been travelling up Church Street and onto Messingham lane before turning left towards Manton quarry – which is obviously not following the traffic management plan.

iii. Scawby Brook matters – No further work has taken place. The pot holes are still evident and need repair. The hedge has been marginally cutback by N.L.C (to prevent infringing the highway) – further cutting back is necessary but as the hedge is privately owned it is difficult for N.L.C to undertake a severe cut back. The weeds in the gullies and sides of the footpaths are still very much evident, no spraying or sweeping has taken place.

iv. Review of action list: The pole for the speed sign on Gainsborough lane will be pursued this month. It is necessary to ask N.L.C to undertake a site visit and agree a position acceptable to highways but also to residents. The cycle track signs are nearly complete and will be erected shortly.

v. New highways matters – Cllr Frost reported a tree growing through the footpath on manor drive – he will report to N.L.C.

11. PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE MATTERS

i. Planting Group:

a) Co-op – garden adjacent the road and footpath – to receive and consider the quotation from A Sissons:

Quote 1 – To supply and lay turf - £1200

Quote 2 – To supply topsoil and grass seed - £910.

IT WAS RESOLVED to accept quotation 1(turf) and ask that the work commence as soon as possible.

b) North Lincolnshire council In Bloom grant – This grant application has been submitted.

c) Sunflower competition – Cllr Chamberlain advised the meeting that approximately 20 entries have been received to date with the competition closing at the end of May. Cllr Barlow agreed to ask the school to remind pupils to make their entry and further social media posts will be circulated.

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- d) Any new planting matters to consider and agree – Cllr Chamberlain advised the meeting that the shrubs at the co-op will be pruned shortly and some weeding undertaken. The compost has been purchased using the vouchers from the best kept village competition. The grant application to Merlin has been submitted. Gratitude was expressed to Judy Phillips and Rosemary Platts, the village looks really lovely at present.

Playing Field Committee:

- a) V E Day – lighting of the beacon – Marshalls were requested to meet at the playing fields at approximately 9.00pm with the beacon to be lit at 9.30pm.
 - b) Any new playing field matters to consider and agree – Cllr Frost advised the meeting that the school used the playing fields for a sports event recently, along with the pavilion for toilet facilities for which they were very grateful. The disabled toilet is out of action at present but will be mended very quickly. Scunthorpe Irons are using the playing fields on the bank holiday weekend at the end of May for a children's sports event.
- ii. Community Foundation Ireland grant: This organisation has been in touch and explained that they have experienced some internal organisation difficulties – they are hoping that the parish council will still receive some funding.
 - iii. Community litter pick in conjunction with the co-op store – scheduled for 18th May 2025 – 10.00am, meet at the co-op.
 - iv. New village matters – Cllr Hall advised that the early Brigg Sprint will take place in Scawby Brook on 11th May 2025 – 8-11pm.
Cllr Frost advised that Cadnet are currently undertaking work on Messingham Lane, contact details have been taken as there are often problems with the quality of reinstatement of verges etc. Cllr Frost also advised that lots of books have been taken from the BT box libraries – concern was expressed that they have been taken to be sold. Cllr Griffiths thanked Cllr Hall for kindly cutting back the ivy but this has revealed so much litter ! Cllr Frost will supply the N.L.C bin bags. Cllr Powell advised of a water leak at the Power station and that she intends to organise a First Aid training event in the near future.

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

13. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTHS MEETING

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING : Wednesday 4th June 2025 – 7pm – Village Hall.