

**SCOTTER PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2007**

**PRESENT:** Councillor C. Day (Chairman), Councillors M. Brown, J. Allen, M. Armstrong, B. Billam, J. Bullivent, D. Capes, J. Fillingham, S. Rayner and A. Sheardown, M. Brown (Clerk).

**118 2006/07 : To receive and approve apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Councillor J. Bullivent, with all other Councillors present. Proposed by Councillor Sheardown, seconded by Councillor Capes and agreed by all, it was

**RESOLVED : To accept and approve the apology from Councillor Bullivent.**

Apologies were also noted from Ward Councillor Underwood-Frost.

**119 2006/07 : To receive declarations of interest**

Councillor Day declared a prejudicial interest in relation to part of the subject matter of minute reference 123 2006/07 and stated his intention to withdraw for the duration of that discussion.

Proposed by Councillor Rayner, seconded by Councillor Allen and agreed by all, it was

**RESOLVED : That the Vice-Chairman act as Chairman for the element of minute reference 123 2006/07 that discusses the planting of a new hedge at Scotter cemetery.**

Councillors Brown, Sheardown and Allen declared an interest in relation to the Scotterthorpe allotments element of minute ref. 123 2006/07 as they are allotment holders. Councillors Day and Allen also declared an interest in relation to the subject of minute reference 141 2006/07. No other declarations were made at this point.

**120 2006/07 : To approve the notes of the Council Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2006 as the Minutes of that meeting.**

Proposed by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Fillingham and with all in agreement, it was **RESOLVED : To approve the notes of the Council Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2006, as circulated, as the Minutes of that meeting.** These were signed by the Chairman

**121 2006/07 : To agree the Council's approach to the introduction of the Local Development Framework.**

The documents on this matter, circulated to Councillors since the last meeting, were discussed. It was generally agreed that the Council should take a proactive approach and inform the planning authority of its views prior to the latter's development of its strategy. Bearing in mind the Council's level of competence in this matter, it was further agreed that any views to be made to the authority should focus on a review of the existing local plan, the recent growth of housing in the village and the impact of that on the local infrastructure. Proposed by Councillor Rayner, seconded by Councillor Brown and all in favour, it was :

**RESOLVED : That the Planning Committee will draft a representation to the planning authority for the consideration of the Council at the February Council meeting.**

**122 2006/07 : To approve the release of a donation of £1000 towards Scotter United FC's portable building refurbishment programme.**

The Council considered the request (which was allowed for when the 2006/07 Precept was set) and the accompanying substantiation of monies spent on the project. Proposed by Councillor Billam, seconded by Councillor Brown and with all in favour, it was :

**RESOLVED : To release the donation of £1000 towards SUFC's portable building refurbishment programme, with the cheque to be approved at the meeting.**

**123 2006/07 : To consider and approve the recommendations made to the Council by the Cemetery & Allotments Working Group**

The Council considered the paper from the Cemetery & Allotments Working Group. Proposed by Councillor Sheardown, seconded by Councillor Fillingham and with all in favour, it was

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**RESOLVED : That, at the new area of the cemetery, laurel hedging be planted adjacent to the central pathway that subdivides the allotments, with a variegated Ionicera to be planted to delineate the new area of the cemetery from cemetery allotment No. 3, with the plants to be purchased from Plumtree Nurseries at a delivered cost estimated at £100.00.**

Councillor Day then left the meeting room, with Councillor Brown taking the chair for the discussion as to the method of planting of the hedging. Considering his recent operation, it was unanimously agreed that it would be unsafe to request the Village Person to carry out this work. In consequence, proposed by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Capes and with all in favour, it was :

**RESOLVED : That the planting of the hedge be carried out by the Council's term contractor for minor gardening works at the current agreed hourly rate.**

Councillor Day then returned to the meeting and resumed his duties as Chairman.

Councillors noted the progress made to date by the Working Group towards the layout of the new cemetery area in relation to both burial plot size and arrangements for memorials. A further report will be made to the Council once the financial implications of the layout have been assessed. This report will be made in good time for the costs to be considered for the Council's 2008/09 Precept.

In relation to Scotterthorpe Allotments, the Council thanked Councillor Brown for his efforts in managing these over the last 10 years. To reduce his burden and to regularise the position, proposed by Councillor Fillingham, seconded by Councillor Billam and with all in favour, it was :

**RESOLVED : That the operational management be retained by Councillor Brown, with the financial management to be transferred to the Clerk, as the Responsible Financial Officer, with all transactions recorded in the Council's accounts.**

As waiting lists are in place at both Scotterthorpe Allotments and the Cemetery Allotments, proposed by Councillor Fillingham, seconded by Councillor Brown and with all in favour, it was further :

**RESOLVED : That, as allotments become available at Scotterthorpe, they be rented out only at the smaller of the two sizes if a waiting list exists at either set of allotments.**

**124 2006/07 : To consider and agree a suitable project for presentation to the Ward Councillors to access monies from WLDC's Local Councillor Initiative Fund.**

The Clerk explained that Councillor Parry has indicated his willingness to devote between £500 and £750 of his fund to a Scotter project. Councillor Underwood-Frost has stated that he would wish to apply £500 to a Scotter project and would wish this to be towards a pedestrian crossing on the A159. The Clerk further explained that the limiting factor in pursuing this (or indeed any other scheme) is one of time. WLDC must commit the money by 16<sup>th</sup> February 2007 and the money must be spent by the end of June 2007. Following some discussion, proposed by Councillor Sheardown, seconded by Councillor Rayner and with all in favour, it was :

**RESOLVED : To request that Councillor Parry's contribution go towards the landscaping of the Eau Community Centre's grounds, now that building works are completed.**

Whilst the Council is fully supportive of the crossing project, concern was voiced that it would be impossible to have it installed by end June 2007. Proposed by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Fillingham and with all in agreement, it was :

**RESOLVED : To support Councillor Underwood-Frost's view that his contribution go towards a crossing on the A159 but with a request that, should this scheme not be in time for consideration, his contribution covers the required public notice board at Scotter Cemetery.**

**125 2006/07 : To agree the attendees at the Joint Budget Consultation on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2007.**

It was agreed that the Council will be represented by the Chairman and Councillor Bullivent.

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**126 2006/07 : To discuss and agree the organisation of the Annual Parish Meeting, 2007.**

The Chairman explained that he had received no response from the public from his request for volunteers to join a working party to organise this year's Parish Meeting. Following discussion, it was agreed that small working party of the Chairman, Councillor Bullivent and Mrs Mumby will progress matters with the meeting to be similar to that conducted at the Parish Plan's Open Day.

**127 2006/07 : To consider a proposal from LCC to install a small wooden fence (c. 1' high) around the verge on Hobb Lane nearest to the Council's notice board.**

LCC has confirmed that it intends to install the additional bollard onto the Hobb Lane verge in April 2007. However, it makes the alternative suggestion that it installs a small wooden fence around that verge, making it impossible for vehicles to knock it over and being more in keeping with the surroundings. Proposed by Councillor Billam, seconded by Councillor Allen and all agreed, it was : **RESOLVED : To ask LCC Highways to install a small fence around the Hobb Lane verge.**

**128 2006/07 : To consider a request from LCC UK, on behalf of T-Mobile, for the Council's comments on T-Mobile's intention to seek planning permission to install a new mobile radio base station at the exit of the village**

The Council considered the letter, which is a pre-cursor to a full planning application. At this stage, it was agreed that the Clerk should acknowledge receipt and thank LCC UK for giving the Council sight of its plans. No further comment is to be made.

**129 2006/07 : To consider a request from Lincolnshire Police Authority to complete a Parish Council Consultation document and return it by 26<sup>th</sup> January 2007.**

Following discussion on the document, it was agreed that the Chairman and Clerk fill in the questionnaire in line with the Council's views.

**130 2006/07 : To consider whether the Council wishes to comment on LCC's Lincolnshire Fire & Rescue's Integrated Risk Management Plan, 2007-2010.**

Whilst it was agreed that the Council had no comment to make on the Plan, it will be circulated to Councillors for their information.

**131 2006/07 : To consider whether the Council should be represented at a workshop, organised by Lincolnshire Primary Care Trust, to discuss the shaping of future local health services.**

No-one from the Council is available on the day in question.

**132 2006/07 : To receive a report from the Cemetery & Allotments Working Group on its recent safety inspection of the cemetery.**

Members of the Working Group attended the cemetery on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2006 and found all to be in good order. Fallen branches, following the gale on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2006, have been removed by the Village Person to eliminate trip hazards.

**133 2006/07 : To approve the purchase of a new sack holder for the cemetery at a cost of £75.95 plus VAT.**

To minimise arisings of litter at the cemetery, there are two sack holders in addition to the wheeled refuse bin. One of these is now beyond repair and the Clerk has obtained quotes to replace it. Proposed by Councillor Rayner, seconded by Councillor Fillingham and all in favour, it was : **RESOLVED : To purchase a new sack holder at the price of £76.31 plus VAT.**

**134 2006/07 : To approve the purchase of a Broadband service for the Council office.**

The Clerk outlined the various options available to the Council for its Broadband service, with bundled packages offering cheaper telephone call charges than could be obtained from BT. Proposed by Councillor Sheardown, seconded by Councillor Rayner and all in favour, it was : **RESOLVED : To place a 12 month contract with Tiscali at its quoted prices.**

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**135 2006/07 : To approve the disposal of the Council's old filing cabinet and electronic typewriter.**

The Clerk reported that, following the move to the new office, two items of equipment are redundant. The filing cabinet is many years' old and the excessive weight contained in the drawers over the years has resulted in damage to the runners, making it unsuitable for an office application. The electric typewriter has been made obsolete by the use of a personal computer. Proposed by Councillor Sheardown, seconded by Councillor Brown and with all in favour, it was :

**RESOLVED : That the items be safely and ecologically disposed of, with the typewriter to be offered to a charity shop.**

**136 2006/07 : To consider and agree the dates for the skip service 2007/08 and the means of contracting for the service.**

The Council considered and approved the proposed service dates for 2007/08 and (considering that a tender exercise was recently conducted) asked the Clerk to negotiate with the incumbent contractor, with the resultant offer to be considered at the Council's February meeting.

**137 2006/07 : To receive the Clerk's Report.**

The Council noted the following report presented by the Clerk :

**75a 2004/05 : Public open space adoption and maintenance**

The Council's legal advisor has confirmed that he has not yet heard from Chartdale Homes' solicitors with a view to concluding the agreement to take over the site. The Clerk has also not had a response to her letter chasing an answer to the Council's query regarding the ongoing ownership and responsibility for the fence running alongside the footpath to North Moor Road and the footpath itself. The Council has yet to confirm to Chartdale that it has examined the landscaped areas and found them to be acceptable. This can be carried out when progress has been made on the other matters. In relation to Beal Homes, the Council's legal advisor is still waiting to hear from their solicitors regarding the Registered Title to the second parcel of land that Beal Homes has purchased. Once that has been provided, the legal advisor will be in a position to proceed.

Having raised the issue with Councillor Underwood-Frost, the Clerk received a copy of an e-mail from Mr Dickinson, WLDC Planning, apologising for the lack of communication in relation to the open space on Waggoners Close and promising to investigate the matter further. At the time of writing, an update as to the progress made has still not been provided. Nothing further has been heard from Fabren Ltd either in relation to the public open space at Site A, The Rookery.

**75l 2005/06 : Salting of school bus route, Scotter to Kirton**

Whilst nothing further has been heard from LCC on this matter, another accident occurred on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2007 due to ice. This was attended by two police officers and an ambulance and the driver was taken to hospital. Despite the road conditions, the school bus used this route on that day. Proposed by Councillor Day, seconded by Councillor Capes and with all agreed, it was :

**RESOLVED : To write to LCC to inform them of the accident, its cost in terms of emergency services' resources, the continued use of the route by the school bus in icy conditions and to ask for an urgent response to the Council's repeated requests for the salting of this road.**

**39a 2006/07 : Cemetery boundary query**

Further to the Clerk's letter to him of October 2006, nothing further has been heard from the resident who verbally queried the exact positioning of the cemetery boundary. A similar query has been raised by a parishioner of Revills Close, following the collapse of some hedging during the gales of 18<sup>th</sup> January 2007. This parishioner has also been advised to check their deeds.

**70 2006/07 : Theft of Strimmer**

The Clerk has been in correspondence and discussion with Allianz Cornhill in relation to this theft. Whilst Allianz Cornhill settled the claim at the value requested, it has since confirmed that it did so erroneously

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(although will not reclaim the monies paid of £57.84). The Council's policy endorsements include an endorsement that restricts claims for thefts of office equipment or gardening machinery to those where they have been stolen from a locked building and there is evidence of forcible entry or exit from that building. This endorsement will be strictly applied in future. Allianz Cornhill has also confirmed that the Council's excess has reverted to the standard £125. Competitive quotations have been received for a replacement strimmer, which will be an agenda item at the February Council meeting.

### **73 2006/07 : Provision of play within Scotter**

The Clerk completed the detailed questionnaire and audit of play equipment and returned it to the West Lindsey Play Partnership. With the latter's strategy now completed, paperwork has been received inviting applications for a share of the Partnership's Big Lottery Fund grant of £200k and this will be forwarded to Mrs Mumby as being a potential source of funds for the multi-use games area.

### **78a 2006/07 : Memorials to be tested**

The Clerk has contacted Memsafe Ltd to request a new date for the postponed testing of new and repaired memorials and is awaiting their response. With such a small number of memorials to be tested, Memsafe can only carry out this work economically if it can be combined with another contract. The enforced delay will result in the number of memorials to be tested increasing, as six further memorials have been repaired and two new ones erected since the original list was compiled. When a new date is agreed, the Clerk will write to the owners of these memorials to offer the Council's testing services.

### **78b 2006/07 : Memorials awaiting repair**

Since the update provided in October 2006, repairs have been carried out in relation to the following memorials :- BA44/45, BB26, BE40, BC41, BC39 and BC69. Barningham Memorials carried out two of these repairs (to BB26 and BC69) without prior submitting an application to the Council for approval. When asked why they had done this, the response was that they had received instructions from their customers prior to the imposition of the Council's revised policy (volume of work preventing them from scheduling the work in until December 2006), so did not think that the policy would apply. It was made clear that no further work can be carried out at Scotter Cemetery until an application form has been submitted and approved, irrespective of the date of the customer's instruction. From the originally identified unstable memorials, only 10 now remain in a clamped state. Despite appeals, owners for five of these have not been identified. Of the other five, the owner of one has carried out his own repair work, which requires testing. The owners of the other four have either stated their refusal to carry out repairs or have failed to respond to the Council's letters.

### **88 2006/07 : Parish Council Office**

With thanks to the Chairman for his considerable efforts, the move to the new office was carried out relatively painlessly during week commencing 8<sup>th</sup> January 2006. All of the equipment (with the exception of the mobile hard drive) is running smoothly and is securely housed. The back-up hard drive has not installed correctly on the new PC and some work will be needed to rectify this. The office is manned during the hours of 9.45am to 1.15pm on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of each week. The phone number is 01724 764599 and there is an out-of-hours answering machine facility, which is kept in silent mode to avoid disturbing any other users of the room. The new post box has been installed, with the local postman holding a key to it. The Clerk will prepare an article regarding the new office for the next Eau Valley Advertiser and will update the Council's website accordingly. An order has been sent for the purchase and set-up of the Council's domain and e-mail address (the latter at an additional cost of £9.96 per annum), following some pricing clarification from the provider.

### **95 2006/07 : Purchase of New Ride-On Mower**

The order has been placed for a new Husqvarna Rider 21 AWD with Green Stripe Garden Machinery at a maximum part-exchange price of £2998.40 plus VAT. Green Stripe will hold this price even if Husqvarna increases its prices for the new season's machines. However, if Husqvarna opts to reduce its list prices for the new season, Green Stripe will reduce the price to the Council accordingly. The issue of an extended

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warranty was discussed. Green Stripe confirmed that the new machine will come with only one year's warranty from the manufacturer. However, after this runs out, Husqvarna offers an excellent "goodwill" scheme which allows unusual claims to be submitted and settled after the warranty expires. It was under this scheme that major work was carried out on the Council's machine free of charge last September. The new machine will be delivered in March, with an actual delivery date yet to be agreed.

**100 2006/07 : Scotter Library**

A letter has been sent to the Area Service Manager for Libraries at LCC to thank the County Council for the reinstatement of the opening hours at Scotter Library and to ask it to confirm its willingness to support the local initiative to use volunteers to further extend opening hours and to provide training and assistance to those volunteers. Whilst no response has yet been received, the Chairman commented that LCC has commenced discussions with the Eau Comminty Centre to progress this.

**103 2006/07 : Potential Pedestrian Crossing – A159**

A letter has been sent to Councillor Underwood-Frost, offering to make a financial contribution towards the cost of a crossing, if that would assist the County Council in arranging the earliest possible installation. The letter explained that, as this decision was taken after the Council set its Precept for 2007/08, it can only make £1000 available during that year (out of contingency funds). However, it would be prepared to commit to further sums in the years 2008/09 and 2009/10, the amount of such sums to be confirmed after the Council has received clarification and assurance that the County Council would be prepared to install a crossing during 2007/08 on this basis, the County Council confirms the cost of the installation and that, should a crossing be installed, the school crossing (lollipop) service operating on the A159 would be retained. A response is awaited.

**104 2006/07 : RoSPA Safety Inspection, 2007**

The order has been placed for the 2007 play ground safety inspection, which will be carried out during the month of August. The order has been acknowledged.

**106 2006/07 : Christmas Arrangements**

The Chairman and Councillor Brown examined the specification for the lights surplus to Caistor Town Council's requirements but these were not compatible with the existing electrical supply. The shield for Best Christmas Display was awarded to Columbine's Hairdressing Salon by Councillors Capes and Fillingham on 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2006, with the press in attendance. The Clerk has since collected the shield and had it engraved, prior to returning it to Mrs Smithson. A letter of thanks has been sent to the Ramsey family for the donation of the Christmas tree. A letter has also been sent to Caddy's Kabin (in light of the suggestion that the proprietors may be prepared to fund lights for the tree adjacent to the Christmas tree) to assess their interest in providing such funds in readiness for Christmas 2007. No response has, as yet, been received.

**109 2006/07 : Topsoil for the Cemetery**

An order has been placed with Dan Ledgerwood for 10 tonnes of topsoil to be delivered to the cemetery during January 2007. An acknowledgement of this order has not been received. The Clerk has asked the Village Person to level and seed grave no. BA27 as soon as possible, following a request from the family of the deceased.

**117b 2006/07 : Land Registration**

The Clerk spoke with the Council's legal advisor to engage his services in the completion of the statutory declaration required to register the land in the Council's name, following which Councillor Sheardown and the Clerk met with him to discuss the matter. The legal advisor is of the opinion that a number of steps need to be taken before making the declaration, to include the sending of letters to local firms of solicitors to ask if they have the deeds in their vaults, a letter to the bank that held the deeds requesting details as to when the deeds were released, to whom and on what authority, and a discussion with the Clerk of the time to elicit any further information as to the location of the deeds. Such actions will show the JP that all

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reasonable steps have been taken to locate the deeds prior to making the declaration as to their loss. To carry out this work and to then complete the declaration process, the legal advisor estimates a cost of c. £500 at his discounted schedule of rates. Proposed by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Allen and with all agreed, it was :

**RESOLVED : That an amount of £500 can be expended with the Council's legal advisor to complete the statutory declaration in relation to the Council's land holdings.**

**117c 2006/07 : Faulty Streetlights**

The Clerk reported the faulty streetlights on Butterwick Road, Susworth, (column 14) and Barnes Green (column 3) to LCC for urgent action on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2006. She has since reported the major failure of the lights on Dar Beck Road and Barnes Green.

**117d 2006/07 : Damaged Verge, Corner of The Green and Lindholme**

The Clerk reported the significant damage to this verge to LCC. Mr Darley has since responded, informing the Council that he has instructed his Village Maintenance Team to soil and seed this verge in the near future.

**138 2006/07 : To receive new correspondence not already included above**

The Chairman explained that the following items of correspondence are for the attention of Councillors and, where appropriate, will be circulated after the meeting. If the need arises to take action on any piece of correspondence, it will become an agenda item at a future Council meeting.

**138a** A letter sent directly to the Chairman from the descendant of a late parishioner, killed in action during the first World War, informing the Council that the parishioner's initials have been incorrectly engraved upon the memorial and asking for this to be attended to. The Chairman has acknowledged receipt of the letter and explained that it will be discussed at a future meeting, when Councillors have had an opportunity to consider the letter.

**138b** LCC, calling for the nomination of a Councillor for a position on one of its Primary School Provision Review Panels. Panels will be made up of head teachers, school governors, County, District and Town/Parish Councillors and a Diocesan representative. The panels will examine primary school provision within its area and make recommendations to the LCC. Nominations are to be returned to LCC by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2007 latest.

**138c** WLDC, informing the Council that it has selected the winning poster (copies enclosed) designed to promote responsible dog ownership and prevent fouling of pavements. As fouling in Scotter has been a very noticeable problem in recent weeks, the Clerk has already placed a poster on the notice board. The letter goes on to remind the Council that WLDC is responsible for enforcing offences of the dog fouling legislation and asks members of the Council (and the public) to report anyone seen failing to clean up after their dog, giving the location and approximate time at which this occurs. WLDC will then try to have a monitoring officer in the area at that time.

**138d** The Community Council of Lincolnshire, informing the Council that the vacant post of Senior Rural Housing Enabler has been filled by a Mr Roger Moors. He intends to visit as many Parish Councils as possible during 2007.

**138e** Scotter Village Hall, thanking the Council for its recent donation and informing the Council that it has now been able to complete a number of projects as a result of this, including the installation of new emergency doors in the main hall, new floor covering throughout the first floor and the redecoration of the small committee room in readiness for the Council's new office.

**138f** Scotter Bowls Club, thanking the Council for including an amount in the 2007/08 Precept to cover top dressing costs for the green. It will write again in Autumn 2007 when the work has been undertaken.

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**138g** Eau Community Centre, thanking the Council for including an amount in the 2007/08 Precept as contribution towards insurance premium and landscaping costs. It will make its application for funds, supported by substantiation, once the new financial year has commenced.

**138h** WLDC, enclosing a copy of its up-to-date recycling leaflet. A notice board-friendly version is also supplied. Brown cardboard boxes can now be placed in the blue recycling bin. Stickers will be placed on residents' bins to explain this and the up-dated leaflet will be sent to them.

**138i** RACoL, informing the Council that a Funding Fair will be held on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2007 at The White Heather Croft, Caenby Corner, between 1pm and 5pm.

**138j** CTR Garden Service Maintenance, introducing its gardening services, including grass and hedge cutting, strimming, weeding/weed killing and tree maintenance (up to 30').

**138k** NALC, enclosing a copy of its LCR newsletter, January 2007.

**138l** Clerks and Councils Direct newsletter, January 2007.

**138m** Lincolnshire Police Authority, enclosing a copy of its December 2006 Newsletter, an update on neighbourhood policing, an alert regarding potential premium rate phone number and e-mail scams, a poster advertising for special constables and a request for applications for independent custody visitors for the Authority's Skegness Panel.

The following items of correspondence were noted by the Council and will be filed by the Clerk :

**138n** WLDC, enclosing an agenda for the Council meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2007 and minutes of committee meetings published since 4<sup>th</sup> December 2006.

**138o** Various promotional literature from Glasdon.

**139a 2006/07 : To receive the Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting published since the last Council meeting and adopt the recommendations contained therein**

The Council considered the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2006. Proposed by Councillor Armstrong, seconded by Councillor Day and with all agreed, it was :  
**RESOLVED : That the Council concurs with the actions taken by the Planning Committee and adopts the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2006.**

**139b 2006/07 : To note the receipt of results from the planning authority**

The Council noted the following results received from the planning authority :

**M06/P/1139 LAND ADJACENT TO PLOT 1, OFF ST PETERS ROAD, SCOTTER** – a planning application to erect a dwelling with integral garage.  
**GRANTED**

**M06/P/1104 PLOT 20 SOULBY WOOD PARK, SCOTTER** – an amendment to a planning application to erect a detached house with integral garage.  
**GRANTED**

**M06/P/1120 1 & 2 TRENT VIEW, EAST FERRY ROAD, SUSWORTH** – a planning application for alterations, renovations and an extension.  
**GRANTED**

The Council also noted that an appeal has been made to the Secretary of State against the refusal of planning permission by the planning authority in relation to M06/P/0905, an outline application for the erection of a dwelling (with means of access to be considered and not reserved) on land to the rear of 64 High Street, Scotter.

**140 2006/07 : To note income received during December 2006 and to approve the December 2006 cash book and its reconciliation to the bank statements**

The Council noted the following income received during December 2006.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PAYER</u>	<u>DETAILS</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>
05.12.2006	Co-operative Bank	Interest - Current A/c	1.68
21.12.2006	Allianz Cornhill	Settlement for stolen strimmer	57.84
21.12.2006	YEDL	Wayleave/rental	1.50
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>			<b>61.02</b>

It then examined the cashbook as at end of December 2006 and its reconciliation to the bank statements. Proposed by Councillor Sheardown, seconded by Councillor Brown and with all agreed, it was :

**RESOLVED : That the cashbook as at the end of December 2006 should be signed by the Chairman and Clerk as a true record.**

**141 2006/07 : To approve payments to be made**

The Council examined the accounts to be paid for supplies and services received since the last meeting. Proposed by Councillor Fillingham, seconded by Councillor Brown and with all in agreement (other than Councillors Day and Allen, who abstained), it was :

**RESOLVED : That, in accordance with its powers under section 137 of the Local Government Act, 1972, the Council will incur expenditure on a skip service which, in the opinion of the Council, is in the interests of the inhabitants of the Parish and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure. Also, that the following cheques should be approved in settlement of the accounts to be paid.**

<u>CHEQUE</u>		<u>PARTICULARS OF PAYMENT</u>	<u>NET</u>	<u>VAT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>NO.</u>	<u>TO WHOM PAID</u>		<u>VALUE</u>		<u>PAYMENTS</u>
401686	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE & NI, Month 9	304.12	-	304.12
401687	Mrs M. Brown	Wages	534.27	-	
		Telephone Calls	2.50	-	
		Mileage	31.40	-	
		Car Parking (Scun - various)	1.60	-	
		Postage	8.55	-	
		Stationery/office equipment	40.75	7.13	
		Engraving	5.49	0.96	
		Electrical connections (new office)	30.62	5.36	668.63
401688	Mr. J. Lyon	Wages	248.04	-	
		Bin sacks	6.59	1.15	255.78
401689	Thompson Waste Mgt	Skip service -Becks Lane (05/01)	155.00	27.13	
		Disposal of 11 tyres left in skip	33.00	5.78	220.91
401690	Source It 4 Me Limited	Post box	318.46	55.73	374.19
401691	BT	Phone line installation/line rental	143.34	25.08	168.42
401692	J. Allen	Mileage	19.20	-	19.20
401693	Peacock & Binnington	Lawn rake/spare parts	17.41	3.04	20.45

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401694	SUFC	Donation	1000.00	-	1000.00
401695	Harlequin Office Furniture	Desk,pedestal,chair & filing cabinet	314.00	54.95	368.95
401696	Chris P Day Limited	Removal of brash (cemetery)	62.00	10.85	
		Removal of bench/bin (Gravel Pit Rd)	17.50	3.06	
		Provision of shelving for lockers	7.58	1.33	102.32
<b>TOTAL PROPOSED PAYMENTS</b>			<b>3,301.42</b>	<b>201.55</b>	<b>3,502.97</b>

It was further agreed that the Clerk should prepare an article for the next Eau Valley Advertiser in relation to the cost of fly-tipped items in skips.

**142 2006/07 : To take any points from members, identify items for the next agenda and to note urgent items of interest.**

**142a** Councillor Sheardown reported that the salt bin at the corner of Clay Lane and Kirton Road is in a very poor state of repair. The Clerk will report this to LCC Highways.

**142b** Councillor Armstrong reported that the driver of the mobile library service to Susworth has suggested that the recent change of service from Wednesday to Monday (initially thought to have been driven by the current year’s budget constraints) is to become a permanent feature. However, this reduces the number of people able to avail themselves of the service and could result in its removal for lack of use. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to LCC to request that the Wednesday service be reinstated as soon as possible.

**142c** Councillor Brown reported that (following the recent sale of Christmas trees by SJFC) there are now very few trees on the smaller-sized allotment at Scotterthorpe on which they had been planted by the Council. With a waiting list for allotments, it was agreed that the remainder be cleared by the Village Person, so that the allotment can be rented out at the earliest opportunity.

**142d** The Clerk reported that LCC has finally confirmed that work to clear the trees adjacent to the bridge over the River Eau will take place over the next few weeks. The delay has been caused by the inability of the County Council to trace the owners of the land on the opposite side of the road to Riverside.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.56pm.

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Chairman: .....

Date: .....

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