

**Scarning Parish Council**  
**Minutes of the meeting held on 16 December 2024 at Scarning Village Hall**

**Councillors Present:** F Bradford (Chair) T Abel, M Blackburn, C Hewson, M Steward.

**In attendance** one member of the public.

**1 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs S Bunn and H Manning together with Cllr L Turner (Breckland Council), and the Clerk.

**2 Commencement of Meeting**

On proceeding to public participation Cllr Hewson raised the issue of the Chair of the meeting, during which time he had to be asked to lower his voice by Cllrs Abel and Bradford. Cllr Blackburn also made comment regarding the Chair, then Cllr Abel as representative of the Cllrs present and in line with a letter sent to the Chair earlier in the month, stated that if the Chair remained in post then the Cllrs present would not remain in the meeting.

The Chair reminded the Cllrs that she had responded to each Cllr individually and in which she had pointed out that should they remove themselves from a meeting they would knowingly, personally make the meeting inquorate should the number of Cllrs present fall below 3, thereby resulting in the Council being unable to function.

The Chair stated that should the meeting be inquorate decisions on items on the Agenda, such as items 13 to 16 being the appointment of contractors to the Parish for such things as safety reports and grass cutting could not be made.

Notwithstanding this the Cllrs attending the meeting left, making the meeting inquorate and so it closed at 7.07pm.

Signed ..... Chair

Date .....