

NORTHOWRAM SCARECROW EVENT

Committee Meeting

Wednesday 4th February 2026 at The Club

Present: Steve Collingwood (SC), Molly J Varley (MJV), Elaine Hey (EH), Richard Priestley (RP), John Kirwan (JK), Janet Green (JG), Jo Nixon (JN), Glenn Holmes (GH), David Rawlings (DR) Elaine Caffrey (EC), Phil Ward (PW), David Oliver (DO)- (Guest)

Apologies: Martin Hey (MH), Lynn Jagger (LJ),

Item	Notes	Action
1.	Attendance See list above for those present and apologies	ALL
2.	Previous minutes Passed as ok and ready to publish	ALL
3.	Action Plan The latest 2026 Action plan was circulated, reviewed, actions agreed, and updated. The latest version will be emailed to the Committee. It was agreed that details of changes to the Action Plan will no longer be recorded in the minutes only in the action plan. PW provided an update on the progress of an Opening Ceremony with all participants already secured. PW to produce a site layout and running order for consideration by Cttee. DO – Resident & Street Food Trader (Fed with Fire) expressed a strong interest in the 2026 event. - JK to follow up	SC PW JK
4.	Memorial Garden Estimated cost of repairs of £350. Committee approved an immediate go ahead Insurers have indicated potential non-cover for cost of repairs but will confirm after escalation. JK to chase written confirmation	DR JK
5.	Xmas Tree Update The Village Society aims to take long term responsibility for the provision of a Northowram Xmas Tree but cannot in 2026. NSE Committee willing to underwrite again if required. There was a request for a possible appeal page in the Scarecrow Brochure. No commitment was agreed until any brochure space available identified JK & JG to meet with the Chair of the Village Society and feedback to a future NSE Cttee Meeting	DR JK SC JG/JK
7.	Date of next meeting Wednesday 4 th March 2026 at 7.30pm	ALL