

NORTHOWRAM SCARECROW EVENT

Committee Meeting

Wednesday 20th May 2026 at The Club

Present: Molly J Varley (MJV), John Kirwan (JK), Janet Green (JG), Lynn Jagger (LJ)
David Rawlings (DR).

Apologies: Martin Hey (MH), Jo Nixon (JN), Phil Ward (PW), Glenn Holmes (GH), Elaine Caffrey (EC),
Elaine Hey (EH), Richard Priestley (RP), Steve Collingwood (SC),

Item	Notes	Action
1.	Attendance See list above for those present and apologies. The meeting was not quorate.	ALL
2.	Previous minutes Passed as ok and ready to publish	ALL
3.	Review of 2026 Event A big thank to goes to everyone who made the 2026 Event another success. The feedback submitted from Committee members was considered. The main areas raised (actions to be ratified at the next full Committee meeting) were as follows and to be added to 2027 action plan where appropriate: 1) The opening ceremony was a success – Thanks to PW and all who took part. If repeated it will need refreshing. 2) Consideration to be made to make the brochures available prior to the event weekend. Paying for them by cash in shops to be reviewed 3) Review banner placement, review if any need replacing or additional required 4) Signage – excellent. Consider a sign for the Tombola in future 5) Volunteers did a great job but numbers short on the Tombola 6) Review tombola prizes – short of items this year, soft toys popular, some prizes unsuitable for young people, some not fit for use. 7) Tombola needs to be better organised – the drum also caused problems 8) More Pens, Crayons, Windmills & Candy floss to be purchased for the 2027 event. 9) Batteries for microphone to be purchased and recharging to be carried out daily 10) To consider toilets to be marked on map brochure. 11) Raffle prizes – did we have enough & need a clear split of donated raffle prizes used for Scarecrow Winners 12) Larger (A3?) sheet displaying raffle prizes & donators to be considered 13) Take NSE phone number off the back of raffle tickets	

	The 2026 Event financial update was circulated with a recommendation of £4,500 to be made available for 2026 Grant distribution. As the meeting is not quorate, the report is to be sent via WhatsApp to Committee members unable to attend the meeting and approval requested for the £4,500 grant pot. MH & SC to put note out on Facebook page & website that Bids for grants are now welcome with a closing date of end of June	JG MH/SC
4.	Xmas Tree Update No update to report	
7.	Date of next meeting Wednesday 8th July 2026 at 7.30pm - Grants Sub Committee only	JG/JK/ MV/DR