

Scole

Scole is the largest parish in South Norfolk. Its character is dominated by the landscape of the Waveney Valley with the A143, which provides extensive views to the north and south.

The village has a population of about 1500 consisting of many young or retired families together with a number of new arrivals who add to the generations of local families. The old Roman Road passing through Scole Village was badly congested with traffic up until the time when the village benefited from two bypasses constructed during the 1990's.

There is currently a problem of traffic using the village as a short cut between Diss and the A143 in both directions, and also between the A143 and A140, again in both directions.

This traffic often ignores the 30 and 40 mph speed limits, which impacts on the safety of pedestrians and local traffic, and in particular passing by the primary school which has no dedicated safe crossing.

Scole village has a small shop but sadly no longer a post office which has had a detrimental impact on the whole parish community in particular the elderly.

Local issues:

- A larger parish meeting place is needed
- Rat running traffic, including HGVs, needs to be reduced
- Safe pedestrian / cyclists access to and from Diss
- Conservation and management of the River Waveney environment by developing Scole Pocket Path and a river walk
- Housing development needs to be in keeping with a rural community



Scole Steering Group representatives:



Dola Ward

I have lived in Scole Parish since 2017. I am a retired primary school teacher, most recently heading up a service for children with literacy difficulties.

I joined the steering group in 2019 to represent the people of Scole and to support the chair of the Parish Council in developing a workable neighbourhood plan.



Graham Moore

I've lived in Scole Parish since 2004 and have been Chairman of Scole Parish Council for some 11 years. I am now fully retired after 38 years of running my own international telecommunications consultancy and have never been so busy!

I was one of the original members of the DDNP Steering Group and have always believed that as a group of 7 Parishes we would have a better chance of creating a plan that would truly represent the aspirations of our community.