

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN SAXTON VILLAGE HALL  
TUESDAY 27 AUGUST 2013**

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Present                      Mr. M. Spencer                      Mr. B. Wilson  
   Ms. C. Barrowman                      Ms J Marshall  
   Mrs E Hodgson                      Mr G. Fairclough

Minutes of the Previous Meeting                      These were signed as a true record.

Flooding in the Village                      Three members of the public were present, and the Chairman brought this matter to the fore. Cllr. Mr. Fairclough explained the situation so far, with emphasis on the remedial works undertaken by the Council, and Lawrence Waterhouse subsequently gave the residents advice over self-help by way of the installation of low walling – approximately 9" high – around their properties to act as a barrier, also the raising of the level of their driveways, which would again comprise an effective barrier. It was acknowledged that a significant improvement had been achieved, in that despite the unusually heavy downpour no houses had been flooded. Cllr. Ms Marshall conceded that her anxiety over any deleterious effect the most recent works might have had on her house had been unfounded and that the flood water had merely lapped the driveway of her parents' house adjoining to the immediate north, whereas previously the whole garden and outbuildings had flooded. Mr. Fairclough also advised that work had been undertaken by the Picks to Quarry Bridge, which would assist in the draining away of flood water. It was noted that the bund and soakaway on Cold Hill were not as effective as hitherto, not having been adequately maintained, and the Chairman advised that the Parish Council is in discussion with the Hills – also local farmers – over the provision of further bunds.

Matters Arising from the Minutes                      Traffic calming – Cllr. Ms Barrowman advised that she had been informed that the price of £3650 previously put forward by North Yorkshire County Council had now been raised to £10,500,; she had asked for a plan of the proposal so that we could see at what height the platform would be set, also details of the required lighting. The item was tabled for the next meeting.

Finance                      The Treasurer presented the financial report as follows:-

High Interest Account	38759.52
Current Account	335.52

Payments had been made as follows:-

Warden Moore	132.00
T. Carr	200.00
A. Lawn	114.00

Approval was given to pay £216 to Smiths of Derby for maintenance work to the church clock and £720 as an interim payment to Warden Moore for the new lamp posts. An invoice had been received for the drainage work, but this had still to be examined by Cllrs. Mr. Spencer and Mr. Fairclough, who were overseeing the work, and it would be brought to the next meeting. £1000 had been transferred from the High Interest to the Current account. The Clerk's salary would be discussed as the last item, after she had left the meeting.

The closing balances were therefore:-

High Interest Account	37759.52
[of which £20701.94 is the Flood Defence Fund]	
Current Account	889.52

Selby DIAL Appeal                      it was decided not to contribute to this charity.