

Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chairman, should, by means of special circumstances, be considered as a matter of urgency

The Clerk advised that she had been approached by Mr. Scriven, the owner of Village Farm House, who had himself been asked by Mr. and Mrs. Patton, his neighbours to the north, to remove a silver birch on land in front of his barn. They felt the tree was too close to their property, also it cast shade. It was decided that though this was not strictly within the bailiwick of the Parish Council, nevertheless trees in the village were important, and a tree surgeon we have employed in the past, James Carter, would be asked to examine this tree, together with other trees about which requests for removal have been received..

Cllr. Ms Marshall reported that she had attended a CEF meeting in Tadcaster, at which she discovered that Saxton is far down the list to receive super fast broadband

She also reported that two further options had been mooted for the routing of the high speed train, known as HS2, both of which are closer to Saxton than the current proposal. The Chairman advised that, historically, the topography of Saxton had caused it to be discounted by a Mr. Jamie Muirhead, journalist, but that as a journalist he was now re-visiting the enquiry. In the opinion of the Chairman, the Parish Council should support any organisation which was itself protesting a possible re-routing which would bring the line closer, while at the same time not drawing first-hand attention to Saxton village itself. After much discussion it was agreed that for the present the situation would be closely monitored.

It was noted that £500 had been agreed by the Parish Council for the provision of further trees for the village, and £100-150 for planting the verge outside The Cottage.

Dates of Next Meetings

These were set for Tuesdays 12th November and 10th December 2013.