

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN SAXTON VILLAGE HALL
TUESDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2015**

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Present

Mr. G. Fairclough Mr. B. Wilson
Mrs M. Wass Ms J Marshall
Mr. G. Westmoreland

3 members of the public

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

These were signed as a true record.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

To consider the provision of Christmas lights – the Chairman had been advised by the vicar that the flood lights had not been switched on as a direct result of the Parish Council having carried out electrical work using a contractor not on the Diocese approved list – also without a faculty having been obtained – thereby invalidating their insurance. The Clerk was instructed to contact our electrician for a copy of his insurance, and to contact the vicar to suggest that an electrician on the approved list be asked to sign off our electrician's work. Also to make further enquiries with the Parish Council's own insurers.

To progress further the outstanding drainage question on Saxton Lane – the Chairman had met with John Hodgson of NYCC Highways, and with Blakeys this morning, and arranged that the latter would in the first instance provide a drawing with details of the 2'0" pipe to be installed in Love Lane – all as discussed previously and now agreed with Highways. A fixed price contract would apply, the only dayworks to which the Chairman agreed being if services were encountered – Blakeys are able to deal themselves with any water pipes requiring re-siting, but not with either gas or electricity. The Parish Council already has an undertaking from the suppliers of both those fuels that they will move their supply pipes as and when required, and it was resolved that if they were to renege, then the Parish Council would meet the costs but seek to recover, legally if necessary. Cllr. Ms Marshall would email both services to remind them. Outside The Manor a replacement grille is required.

With regard to the run-off from the field behind Saxton Court, Cllr. Ms Marshall reported that she had as yet had no reply to her email to Richard Bayston, also she was awaiting replies from both Andrew Lee and Matthew Young, NYCC.

It was decided to hold an extraordinary meeting in this connection to decide upon the quotation awaited.

To consider further action regarding work to the trees in the Woodland Walk – a Freedom of Information request had revealed that as recently as 1960 the land used to belong to the Gascoigne estate, also that it had been in use as a school garden. It was not common land, and the Clerk was instructed to attempt to have it registered as such, also to make contact with our insurers over the possible danger the trees could present. The Clerk advised that Azure Tree Services had not yet given their quotation

Finance

The Treasurer presented the financial report as follows:-

High Interest Account	21813.81
Current Account	526.71

Payments had been made as follows:-

S.G.Parkin grass cutting	140.00
Clerk expenses	161.56
C. Patton, Saxton in Bloom	204.00
C. Patton, Saxton in Bloom	180.60
Warden Moore lighting repairs	162.00
1 & 1 Internet webhosting	21.56