

forming of a bund. The Chairman explained that permission to do so was necessary from the land user as well as the landowner, and that this was not so far forthcoming, though he had been approached. He would follow up the matter promptly. The Parish Council would write to both the District Council and the County Council in an effort to secure further funding, and within this item, members of the public were asked to supply whatever information they had to Cllr. Ms Marshall.

The owner of Village Farm House again expressed his dismay at the water washing along his driveway from the field behind in times of heavy rain, and the Chairman explained that remedial work was part of the overall village scheme still outstanding, but that for the present there were insufficient funds available.

The owner of 17 Saxton Lane, whilst acknowledging that the work carried out along Saxton Lane and in particular the replacement of a small culvert with a culvert of greater capacity, nonetheless expressed his concern over what the next major storm might bring.

- Planning in the Parish
- a. The formal notice regarding the D1 application had not yet been received. It was observed that one of the reasons put forward by the school in support of the application was they needed more space; they are now, however, looking to reduce the length of the school day, which is not consistent with a need for extra play space. The Clerk was instructed to write to Nick Atkinson, the Planning Officer, to raise the matter.
 - b. Application for two storey extension, internal alterations and porch at The Old Stables, Wakefield Road, Saxton – refused because considered to be inappropriate development within the greenbelt
 - c. Application for internal alterations and new rear extension following demolition of existing attached garage at The Forge, Main Street, Saxton. This application was still circulating among councillors, and those who had not so far seen it would look online and advise the Clerk of their views by email so that the deadline for comment could be met.

To consider making a Donation of £1000 to the Cricket Club

It was agreed to make this donation, also a further sum of £2000 would be given to the Cricket Club, conditional upon its being used to finish the roof to the groundsman's hut. The decision to make the extra money available would be ratified at the next meeting. The Club was asked to advise the Parish Council when the work was completed.

To Make a Request to Highways/Yorkshire Water they undertake an invert level survey of the Hungate Close drain to Dam Lane

Complaint had been made that the drain from Hungate Close into Dam Lane continually blocks and backs up. The Clerk was instructed to write to Yorkshire Water requesting an invert survey in an effort to discover the cause, as well as a regular three-monthly maintenance visit.

To Review the VAS Sign

The consensus of opinion seems to be that this sign makes very little difference to speeding vehicles, and the Clerk was asked to contact those living nearby for their views. If they agree that it is ineffective then the Clerk is to write to the supplier asking to be released from the contract – though the PC does acknowledge that release may not be possible.

To Discuss Defibrillator Acquisition

All Councillors would consider this matter and contact the Clerk with a view to arranging an attendance by the likely provider so that outstanding questions may be answered before a decision is made

To Discuss the Petition for a Faculty re Church Lighting and decide on Further Action

A letter had been received from the vicar, together with a notification from the Diocese, and Cllr. Ms Marshall, though on the PCC, had been granted a dispensation so that she could contribute to the discussion. Items needing clarification/action were as follows:-
It was required that the electrical installation be signed off – this had been done.
It was required that the floodlights be removed as the bulbs were not heritage standard – the response of the Parish Council is to point out that the floodlighting we have installed was to replace what was there which was condemned by our electrician as unsafe. If the church wishes to replace the bulbs, that is their decision.