

To receive Cllr. Ms Marshall's report on footpaths/grass verges – Ms Marshall reported that the proposed rights of way diversions applied for in 2013, though approved, had not had the required order made, though the same had been drafted. A requirement was that interested parties should be contacted, and neither Ms Marshall nor the Parish council had received any contact in this regard. The Chair had no objection to diversions as such, on condition that a circular perimeter walk was retained.

Extra item – car parking in Tadcaster – Cllr. Ms Marshall had attended a CEF meeting in Tadcaster, at which car parking charges had been mooted. It was agreed that this was a counterproductive measure, and the Clerk was instructed to write a letter of objection.

Extra item – kiosk lights – the Chairman voiced the general protest among residents that the lights around the kiosk were not synchronised with the general Christmas lighting, and Cllr. Mr. Westmoreland would follow the matter up.

Extra item – archaeological work in the church – there was interest in what is beneath the floor in the Hungate chapel part of the church, and both Hungate gravestones and early Catholic altar stones had been discovered. The identity of the benefactor funding the work is confidential. A screen has been erected to protect the site, and the PCC is considering whether to retain the screen as a permanent feature.

Planning in the Parish

- a. Proposed extension to form garden room and conversion of roofspace to bedroom at River Cottage, Wakefield Road, Saxton Court – this had been approved
- b. Proposed erection of 2-storey front and side extensions and internal alterations at The Old Stables, Wakefield Road, Saxton – the Clerk had been further advised by the Case Officer at Selby that the extension of time was ongoing
- c. Proposed felling of 1 No. beech tree at 1 Lakeside Approach Barkston Ash – no objection, but it was felt that the loss should be made good by the planting of three more beech trees – no decision notice had yet been received.
- d. Proposed erection of new dwelling, Saxon Holme, Coldhill Lane, Saxton – this had been approved.

Date of the Next Meeting This was set for Thursday the 12th January 2017