

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN SAXTON VILLAGE HALL
THURSDAY 12 JANUARY 2017**

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Present

Mr. G. Fairclough Mr. C. Cook
Mrs. J. Richardson Ms J. Marshall

District Councillor Richard Musgrave, County Councillor Andrew Lee
2 members of the public (gardening group)
Apologies from Parish Councillors G. Westmoreland and B. Wilson

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

These were signed as a true record.

Finance

In the absence of the Treasurer, the Clerk distributed his financial report as follows:-

High Interest Account	13325.09
Current Account	81.65

Payments had been made as follows:-

Gardens by David playground inspection	110.00
Warden Moore replacement street lights	2040.00
Warden Moore Christmas lights	420.00
Warden Moore street light maintenance	54.00
H Readman expenses	94.96
DBH	1140.00

Approval was given to pay David Varley £40 for playground inspections, DBH £220 + £44 VAT for hedge cutting, the VHMC £96 for hire of the village hall for meetings, clerk's expenses of £70.22 and £36 C.P.R.E. membership. The sum of £140 was agreed for David Varley to cut back, strim and remove the growth from the school bin area to the steps at the beginning of the Woodland Walk; this would come from the current budget. £4000 had been transferred from the interest bearing to the current account.

The closing balances were therefore:-

High Interest Account	9325.09
Current Account	1135.44

To Set Budget and Agree Precept for forthcoming Financial Year

The Treasurer had reported a current credit balance of £9547 which will likely be spent by the end of this financial year. It was therefore his recommendation that we precept for no lower a figure for the financial year 2017/2018. The details were then discussed at length, and Cllr. Ms Marshall would produce a detailed breakdown of the budget agreed of £24950. The Clerk would advise Selby.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

To receive Chair's report on quotations sought with regard to, and to decide upon, future drainage work to the village – the Chairman had met with Blakeys and walked those parts of the village requiring attention, which included Main Street, the grippes etc. and a potential connection from Village Farm House. In addition the work to Saxton Lane includes opening up the dyke on the south side of the road which would involve removing and then reinstating the bridges to the dwelling houses. A sum of £51,000 approximately was envisaged, though savings could be made if the spoil were to be removed by a local farmer. The figure does not include the diverting of services, since the involved statutory undertakers have promised to do this work free of charge. The Clerk was instructed to write to Mark Crane., Leader of Selby District Council, also to Karl Les, leader of North Yorkshire County Council, to request financial