

instead of brick, a particular clay pantile – which the Parish Council hopes will be a County Clay pantile, and to which Mr. Shuter subsequently agreed – or natural slate will be used, and the heads and cills will be of stone. Samples of materials proposed were left with the Parish Council. With regard to the barn conversion, basic plans were drawn up, and the full application would be submitted soon. Attention was drawn to the presence of the old stone culvert on the west side of Main Street, and caution urged that care be taken to avoid damage to it during works; it was pointed out that there are seven known soakaways on the plot; the applicant gave his word that the culvert would be avoided. Concern was expressed also that since the site had not been built on previously, it was possible that there could be Townton Battlefield remains, and again the applicant pledged full care and attention. He also volunteered to chair a public meeting at which residents' fears concerns could be aired and hopefully allayed. Given all of the above, the Parish Council felt their questions had been answered, and had no further objections.

Finally, Cllr. Mr. Westmoreland required it Minuting that, having a previously declared personal interest in this matter, he continued to abstain from both the discussion and any decision taken.

Proposed demolition of existing bungalow and erection of 2 No. dwelling houses at Stonecroft Milner Lane, Saxton 8/67/76C/PA – revised application not yet received

Matters Arising from
the Minutes

To discuss further drainage work in the village, including letters sent and replies received asking for monetary contributions from Selby District and North Yorkshire County Councils, also Cllr. Ms Marshall's meeting with Paul Tweed – Ms Marshall had met with Paul Tweed at NYCC and left copies of this correspondence with him for his information. It was brought to the notice of the meeting that whereas one of the replies to our letters specifically cites Paul Tweed's involvement, in fact Mr. Tweed was unaware of the matter. Ms Marshall reminded SDC that 3 and 5 Saxton Lane are in their ownership, and are at risk of flooding, and that under the Flood and Water Management Act 2010 tiers of local authority are required to work together to alleviate this threat. She also brought to Paul Tweed's notice a meeting in this regard many years ago at which the then MP, John Grogan, was present, and was able to provide Mr. Tweed with a copy of the Minutes of that meeting. In addition, there exists an initiative "Rivers in Elmete", a copy of which report Ms Marshall will try to obtain, and the meeting was reminded of the importance of reporting to the Environment Agency any soil run-off into waterways. Lastly, it was observed that the approval of residents whose properties would be affected by the proposed drainage work had not yet been sought.

To receive Cllr. Mrs Richardson's update on village gardening group activity – two quotations received from David Varley, each in the sum of £90, were accepted; one was for tidying the bed on the west side of Hungate Close, including removing a dead tree and carting away spoil, the other for tidying the flowerbed on the church corner, removing the gravel from the bed and again carting away spoil.. In addition his hourly rate of £18 specifically for weed spraying around any of the trees in the village was agreed. The group had obtained some wildflower seeds, which would be scattered appropriately.

To decide definitively on new notice board – District Councillor Mr. Richard Musgrave had suggested grant money might be available from Tadcaster CEF, and the Clerk had followed this up. Our grant bid would be submitted shortly.

To receive Cllr. Mrs Richardson's report on progress over Community Speedwatch – the results from the data logger placed on Headwell Lane at the end of February were still awaited, also approval was awaited for a survey to be undertaken on Headwell Lane.

To receive any further information from Cllr. Ms Marshall over public rights of way consultation – there was nothing further to report here.