

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN SAXTON VILLAGE HALL  
TUESDAY 6 JUNE 2017 INCLUDING THE A.G.M.**

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Present

Mr. G. Fairclough                      Mrs J Richardson  
Mr. G. Westmoreland                  Ms J. Marshall  
Mr. B. Wilson                              Mr. C. Cook

Apologies from District Councillor Richard Musgrave

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

These were signed as a true record.

Election of Chairman

Cllr. Mrs. Richardson proposed and Cllr. Mr. Wilson seconded that Cllr. Mr. Fairclough continue in office.

Election of Treasurer

Cllr. Mr. Wilson agreed to continue as Treasurer

Finance

The Treasurer presented his financial report as follows:

High Interest Account	7826.68
Current Account	80.64

Payments had been made as follows:-

Gardens by David playground inspections	295.00
PKF Littlejohn audit	564.00
H. Readman April salary	271.47
David Ogilvie Engineering new seat	1188.00
C. Barrowman Scarecrow Festival	200.00
Warden Moore street lighting	2040.00

Approval was given to pay £450.14 insurance premium, £30 + £6 VAT to Moulds accountants for their payroll work, and the Clerk's May salary of £271.47. The Clerk's expenses from the previous meeting, of £183.42 were also agreed. The biannual precept of £12475.00 had been received, and £5000.00 transferred from the interest-earning to the current account. A payment made to Warden Moore for electrical work in the village had been returned, and the Treasurer would check whether this account had indeed already been settled. Cllr. Ms Marshall required it noting that the requisite internal controls had been carried out and that the balances on the bank statements agreed with the reports produced by the Treasurer.

The closing balances were therefore:-

High Interest Account	15301.68
Current Account	522.17

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 – an email has been received by Cllr. Ms Marshall advising that Saxton has been put forward for consideration to the Environment Agency for project funding as a priority location in the county; any allocation would be proportionate to the number of properties which flood, and its frequency. It was felt very strongly that action taken by the Parish Council to alleviate flooding should not be viewed as a detriment. Ms Marshall would follow up, and keep the Clerk copied in. Hope has not been abandoned that Yorkshire Water will contribute to the rectification of the culvert in Main Street, towards which goal Ms Marshall is still amassing evidence.

To receive Cllr. Mrs Richardson's update on village gardening group activity – David Varley had been engaged to cut back the tree in Hungate Close, also to spray the weeds around trees in Dam Lane. Discussion ensued over whether it was better to leave the roadside grass to grow,