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Councillor Monthly Market

Surgeries

We are pleased to report that our monthly councillor surgeries at the village hall's monthly market are well supported by residents.

The surgery provides an opportunity for you to raise queries, issues or concerns face to face with your councillors or stop by for a chat whilst enjoying a coffee and a cake.

All issues raised are followed up on and action taken where appropriate and we're pleased to have been able to resolve a number of issues raised with us recently, we also feedback to the resident concerned if requested.

We would like to thank the monthly market organisers for hosting and making us welcome. We look forward to attending more meetings in the future.

Councillors can also be contacted via their email addresses, details of which can be found on the council website.

New benches around the village



We're delighted to have had two new benches installed around the village over the last month.

The first has been installed on Queensway, the gateway to the waterfront.

This replaces the old wooden bench, complementing the new Queensway bus shelter, which

was installed in February 2024. The bench was purchased using funds raised from the Lincolnshire Co-op



Community Champions initiative.

The second bench has been installed in the play area at the Saxilby Recreation Ground following a request from a resident.

It was pointed out to us that there was no seating in the play area itself, meaning parents would have to leave the play area, should they want to sit down while their children played.

This new bench provides a place to sit while watching your child play, it also provides a place for breastfeeding mothers to sit and feed while siblings play on the park.

We'd like to thank the resident who raised this issue and we're pleased to have delivered a solution.

New Community Art Project

We're have visited Saxilby C of E Primary school in June, where we



spent a day working with the children on a new community art project, funded by a grant secured by the parish council.

With the support of James Sutton of Sutton Sculpture, children from all year groups worked together alongside residents from the community and from Wispington House residential home, to design a shoal of fish.

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James Sutton will then transfer the children's designs onto stainless steel fish, which will be mounted and displayed within the community for all to enjoy.

Our special thanks go to Mr Jackson and staff at Saxilby C of E School for coordinating and hosting the inter-generational workshops.

If you would like to design and sponsor a fish as part of the project, please contact the parish office on admin@saxilbyparishcouncil.gov.uk for more information.

Upcoming village events

We're excited to have a couple of community events coming up over the next few months.

First up on **Saturday, 31 August** we'll be holding a **Family Fun Day**, on the Saxilby Recreation Ground.

Join us on the day from noon for food, stalls, children's entertainment and activities, local sports clubs, a dog show, and much more!

The event is FREE to attend.

For information on booking a pitch, please visit: https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/saxilby

More information to be announced soon!

Secondly, on **Sunday, 15 September**, will be a **Music by the Waterside Event**.

More information on this will be announced soon, so save the date!

New clothes bin

A new clothes bin has been installed off Brackenbury Road on the new burial ground car park.

Funds raised from the clothes bin will be shared between The Salvation Army and supporting local council projects.



New Cycle Track Connection

We're delighted to see the new cycle and footpath connection between the A57 and Sellars Walk is now being used.

This connection has been a long standing

ambition of the parish council to improve

connectivity and safety for residents, visitors and commuters.

It provides the final connection between Saxilby and Lincoln and means there is a dedicated cycle track all the way between the two, meaning cyclists don't have to ride on the busy road.

Over the past five years, our clerk has worked closely with landowners, Lincolnshire County Council and other interested parties to bring this project to fruition.

The connection is a project in Saxilby's Neighbourhood Development Plan and it's completion marks another project ticked off the list.

We are grateful to the landowners who allowed access over their land to enable the project to go ahead.

Rain Water Recycling

Our grounds team have been out and about recently, using harvested rainwater from the Mill Lane changing rooms to water plants and flowers around the village.

The helps reduce our use of natural resources in -line with the council's stainability objectives and reduces costs. This suggestion came from the grounds team.

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Speedwatch volunteers required

Our Community Speedwatch group continues to do speed monitoring sessions on Mill Lane, however they are desperately searching for new volunteers to help keep the project running and ultimately allow it to expand to monitor other areas of the village.

If you would like to know more about the project or you'd like to be involved in helping to improve safety around the village, please contact our Assistant Clerk on assistant@saxilbyparishcouncil.gov.uk

Recreation Ground

One of the agreed items on the project list, when handing back the day-to-day management of the field to the recreation ground charity was to identify and apportion the income and expenditure for three previous years on the field, excluding the community centre and play areas.

Working with an accountant and the charity, a model was agreed.

The 2021-22 apportioning was completed and agreed and now 2022-23 has been drafted for agreement.

The 2021-22 model showed: £3,043 Income,

£10,918 Expenditure, £7,875 Net cost to council.

The draft 2022-23 model shows: £2,771 Income,

£11,946 Expenditure, £9,175 Net cost to council

This excludes costs to run the community centre, play area, and wheeled park which is circa £50,000 annually, excluding any capital expenditure on the assets.

Work continues around the community centre, as agreed at the March extra-ordinary full council meeting:

An **independent consultant** is undertaking a feasibility study over the summer on the council leasing the community centre . This includes public consultation on this important community matter.

The charity has had an **independent valuation** on the community centre (as required for charities leasing assets) which came



back as a rental charge of £18,850 per year for the council to lease the centre.

The council commissioned the condition survey for the centre which has identified some significant areas of expenditure required in 0-5 years. All of this information will be analysed by the consultant before making their recommendation for the council to consider.

The council continues to work with the charity to ensure compliance with charity law and has another meeting scheduled for July to discuss the next steps for progressing items on the project list. Visit the July full council background papers section on the website to see the current project list.



<u>Council Info.</u>

Parish Council Meetings

Meetings held upstairs in the St Andrews Community Centre, William Street, LN1 2LP. They are usually on a Wednesday evening. Agendas are available on the parish noticeboard outside Saxilby Co-op and online at www.saxilbyparishcouncil.gov.uk.

Meetings 2024

Full Council: 3 July

Planning and Finance Committees: 17 July

Working Groups: See noticeboard or online for dates

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