

Council News



St Andrews Community Centre Update

Following an extensive process involving community consultation, a structural survey, a condition survey, and a feasibility study, we are pleased to announce that on 11 December 2024 the council voted in favour of entering into a long-term lease for the St Andrews Community Centre—subject to successful lease negotiations with the Saxilby Public Recreation Ground Charity. This was in-line with the community consultation results where 90% of residents were in support of entering into a long-term lease. Further updates will continue to be provided in 2025.

Shoal of Fish Community Sculpture



We are delighted that our Shoal of Fish Community Project is complete, with the sculpture being installed by local sculptor, James Sutton (Sutton Stone), just before Christmas.

The sculpture is the culmination of months of work, which began in July with an intergenerational workshop held at Saxilby C of E School, attended by residents from Wispington House Residential Home and members of the community. The project was then opened up to the wider community, with the opportunity for all residents and community groups to purchase and

design a fish for the sculpture.

We would like to thank West Lindsey District Council, who facilitated the project through the Large Village Retail Area Grant Fund, with no council tax being used for the public realm improvements, through artwork. An official unveiling of the sculpture will take place in the New Year, and all those who collaborated in the project, through designing artwork will be invited. This brings to a conclusion another one of the projects in the masterplan for Saxilby Waterfront.

A Look Forward to 2025

2025 will see the council working on negotiations with the Saxilby Public Recreation Ground Charity in order to seek to finalise details of the long-term lease for St Andrews Community Centre.

We will continue to hold and promote community events, the first of which will be Warm Welcome Week, which we will mark at our Warm Welcome events on Wednesday 22 and Friday 24 January.

Community collaboration such as the Community Speedwatch and Saxilby Waterfront Volunteer Days will continue in 2025. If you would like more information on either of these, please contact the Parish Office (admin@saxilbyparishcouncil.gov.uk, or 01522 703912).

The reviewed Neighbourhood Development Plan is planned to progress to a referendum and community events and organisations will continue to be supported through grants.

2024 - All Wrapped Up!



2024 saw the completion of two major village projects - the footbridge refurbishment, and the cycle path connection to Lincoln.



We have continued to improve the streetscape in Saxilby, installing quality street furniture and responding to residents' requests. We have installed three new benches and two new bus shelters this year.



We have held community consultations and events to talk to residents about the issues that matter to them.



We've talked with you about the Sykes Lane housing development, the Neighbourhood Development Plan, the St Andrews Community Centre lease, anti-social behaviour in the village and how to protect our local hedgehog population.



We have held and supported community events and volunteering opportunities, including the Family Fun Day, Remembrance events, Macmillan coffee morning, Saxilby Waterfront Volunteering days, the Christmas Lights Ceremony and the community 'Shoal of Fish' sculpture project.



We have also continued to maintain and improve the village and St Andrews Community Centre, using sustainable methods such as recycling rainwater for watering the plants, and upcycling second-hand and pre-loved furniture where appropriate for the community centre. We are also committed to improving safety, accessibility and energy efficiency, for example installing new fire doors in the community centre, and insulating the loft.



The parish council have also managed over 600 external room bookings at St Andrews Community Centre this year, the building also hosts Warm Welcome twice a week, and Saxilby Library four times a week. We are finishing the year with fourteen regular community groups running from the centre.

2024 has seen over 40 council committee meetings, 23 working/steering group meetings, and numerous other meetings in between, for example with trustees of the Saxilby Public Recreation Ground Charity.

We would like to thank our residents, local businesses, and organisations for working together with us this year and we look forward to 2025 and the community improvements it will bring.

Council Info.



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 2025

Full Council: 8 Jan, 5 Feb, 5 Mar

Planning and Finance Committees: 15 Jan, 19 Feb, 19 Mar

Working Groups: See noticeboard or online for dates

Contact Us

Speak with councillors and discuss any concerns or queries at the Monthly Market on the 2nd Saturday morning of the month.

The parish office is open Tuesday and Friday 09:15-15:15 . Parish Office (upstairs), St Andrews Community Centre, William Street, Saxilby, Lincoln, LN1 2LP.

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