



Saxilby with Ingleby Parish Council

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Saxilby Waterfront Working Group: Dissolution and Succession Planning

Report to: Planning and Development Committee

Report by: Clerk. Requestee Cllr Saunders.

Power/duty which decision falls under:

Local Government Act 1972 s.101 – Arrangements for the discharge of functions by committees.

Which council objective(s) it falls under:

- Maintain and improve community facilities and amenities
- Protect and enhance our green spaces and street scene
- Preserve and enhance heritage assets, environmental assets and wildlife
- Retain and encourage employment and tourism opportunities

Public Sector Equality Duty

Consider how policies/decisions affect those protected under the Equality Act)

Considered under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010. The proposals have been reviewed to ensure no adverse impact on people with protected characteristics.

Duty to conserve and enhance biodiversity

No direct impact. Improvements will consider local biodiversity, and follow guidance to protect and enhance habitats for flora and fauna.

Consideration on carbon reduction:

No direct impact. Proposed works, including LED lighting and cycle infrastructure, contribute to reduced energy consumption and sustainable transport. Any materials or construction methods will consider carbon-efficient options where feasible.

Does the report consider any new activity? If ‘Yes’, has a risk assessment, including risk management proposals, been included for consideration and adoption by the council? (Financial Regulation 17b)

No.

Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigation
Insufficient funding	Medium	Medium	RFF held for SWWG including key projects heritage lighting and information boards. Grant funding
Delay in completing remaining actions	Medium	Medium	P&D Committee oversight; clear schedule and officer responsibility
Volunteer group fails to transition	Medium	Medium	Offer support to set-up of independent volunteer group e.g. signposting, sharing grant opportunities
Heritage at risk	Medium	High	Implement maintenance plan and monitoring. Take into consideration when providing planning applications representations.
Reputational impact	Medium	High	SWWG members have invested significant time and energy into the project over a number of years. Hold meeting with SWWG members to discuss transition phase and provide assurances on the progression of remaining items.

Saxilby Waterfront Working Group: Outstanding Improvements and Succession Planning

Background

In the process of producing the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP, 2017), Saxilby with Ingleby Parish Council was made aware that the Bridge Street Conservation Area was on Historic England's Heritage At-Risk Register, "for reasons of severe dilapidation and loss of detail".

The NDP consultation showed support for various improvements in the area and one of the community projects to come out of the Plan was to undertake regeneration of the area.

From this, Bridge Street Conservation Area Working Group was formed. It carried out consultation work, commissioned a masterplan for the area and worked towards these agreed goals.¹

¹ Proposed Improvements Report: Bridge Street Conservation Area Regeneration Project (October 2018, pp1)

Exit Strategy

An exit strategy outlining outstanding improvements and succession planning was tabled at Planning and Development Committee in July 2025, identifying:

- Remaining Masterplan actions (A1–7)
- Outstanding actions already or to be transferred to the Planning & Development Committee (B1–2 and C1)
- Maintenance and volunteering succession arrangements (D1–3)

The July meeting of the Planning and Development Committee discussed the subject, and resolved the following proposal:

“Having been proposed (Cllr Saunders.) and seconded (Cllr Bridge) with one abstention, it was **RESOLVED** to: agree the exit strategy”.

Outstanding Improvements and Succession Planning
Proposals:
A: Remaining Masterplan actions under Saxilby Waterfront Working Group: 1. Install new information boards SWWG (Masterplan 6.13. SWWG priority action - 31st August 2025) 2. LED heritage-style lighting to be installed (Masterplan 6.14. NDP project 4.5) (SWWG priority action – 31st March 2026) 3. Path along the grass verge between footbridge and Bridge Street bus stop (Masterplan 6.10. NDP project 1.9) 4. Anglian Water re-paint pipebridge black (Masterplan 6.12. NDP project 4.4) 5. New cycle path link to run under bridge (Masterplan 6.2. NDP project 1.2) 6. Frame entrance to footpath up to bridge (Masterplan 6.2. NDP project 1.2)
Other remaining SWWG Actions 7. WLDC to Carry Out a Conservation Area Appraisal
B: Outstanding actions moved under planning and development committee: 1. Mosaic restoration (moved out of Saxilby Waterfront and therefore out of Saxilby Waterfront Working Group) by 31st March 2026 2. Saxilby Waterfront Public Facilities Refurbishment
C: Outstanding actions to be moved under planning and development committee: 3. All remaining actions (A1-7) to be moved under planning and development committee as at 1 April March 2026 if outstanding (NDP projects).
D: Maintenance of Saxilby Waterfront. Objective: To maintain the improvements to prevent the Conservation Area going back on Historic England's Heritage At-Risk Register 1. Council led Waterfront volunteering group to run until November 2025. 2. Council to seek to support setting up a volunteer led community group for the volunteer days 3. Move over to a community led volunteer group to start in April 2026.

The remaining Masterplan actions under Saxilby Waterfront Working Group to be completed are:

1. Install new information boards SWWG
2. LED heritage-style lighting to be installed
3. Path along the grass verge between footbridge and Bridge Street bus
4. Anglian Water re-paint pipe bridge black

5. New cycle path link to run under bridge
6. Frame entrance to footpath up to bridge
7. WLDC to carry out a Conservation Area Appraisal

The group (now known as Saxilby Waterfront Working Group (SWWG)) has now completed the majority of its objectives.

The information boards are in the final stages, and the heritage lighting should be able to proceed once all the funding is in place.

To ensure continuity and oversight of remaining elements, it is proposed that the outstanding actions are transferred under the Planning & Development Committee, and that the SWWG be formally disbanded.

These projects will continue to proceed accordingly and be dealt with by the office and the Planning & Development committee.

Recommendations to committee:

1. The remaining Waterfront Masterplan and NDP actions (A1–7) be transferred under the remit of the Planning & Development Committee
2. Volunteer transition continue in-line with exit strategy item D.
3. Saxilby Waterfront Working Group be dissolved on 28 November 2025