

## **Saxilby Waterfront Working Group**

Update for Full Council

Wednesday 4th January 2023

**Vision: 'Bridge Street Conservation Area will be a vibrant, well-maintained place to live, work and visit. Its historic character, architectural heritage and waterway will be celebrated, preserved, and enhanced.'**

December was another busy month for the working group with several actions completed. We have been successful with some grants this month that will enable us to keep moving forward to complete the project. The regeneration of Bridge Street Conservation Area has many different elements. It is complex and challenging at times, with different stakeholders involved making progress slow. We have been reliant on grants, donations and fund raising to make any improvements. In-line with phase four of the masterplan, we will be setting our priorities for 2023 at our next meeting.

### **Full Council to approve:**

1. To approve the recommendation from SWWG to spend £184.99 from the budget to make improvements to the planters along Bridge Street including ten new pots (£127) for inside the planters, pot liner fabric (£31.99) and four 5kg bags of fine grit (£26).
2. To approve a press release regarding the lack of progress with the cycle path connection from Lincoln to Saxilby if there continues to be no progress from LCC.
3. To approve adding the pollinator project (wildflower path along the top towpath) to the B-Lines insect pathway as part of a national project to ensure the survival of bees and pollination insects.
- 4 To approve a letter to Anglian Water requesting the repaint of the pipe bridge.
5. To approve a stakeholder meeting to confirm ownership and responsibility for the ramp and steps at the footbridge.

### **Updates:**

- **Footbridge:** WLDC have approved £250,000 to enable comprehensive off-site repair and paint works to Saxilby Footbridge. The planned works will be off-site due to safety of working over water and to avoid any navigation closures. Repairing the bridge off-site will allow for a better quality finish and repair. Depending on a successful tender the bridge will be removed for a couple of months in the spring.
- **Memory branch:** This should be ready mid January.
- **Grant:** Western Power have made a verbal offer of £800 towards biodiversity along Bridge Street. This can be used for the tree planting.
- **Queensway bus shelter:** The £3,000 grant application has been verbally confirmed. We are working towards a final bespoke bus shelter design ready for council approval in February.

- **Fund raising:** Please support us as Lincolnshire Co-op Winter Community Champions. Saxilby Lincolnshire Co-op branch will be raising funds for us from 4<sup>th</sup> December 2022–4<sup>th</sup> March 2023. We have an opportunity to have a stall in store and to raise more money eg tombola
- **Public toilets:** In order to move this project forward the next step is a project plan with costings so we can apply for a grant.

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