### **Council News**

## Saxilby Footbridge refurbishment

The council is delighted West Lindsey District Council (WLDC) has approved a total of £250,000 for the refurbishment of the footbridge over the Fossdyke Canal at Saxilby Waterfront.

The footbridge has been requiring a full refurbishment for a few years now and the council have been lobbying WLDC to refurbish this important local landmark in our conservation area since 2017.

This will be a major task, requiring the bridge to be removed, refurbished, and then reinstated.

The refurbished bridge will also be a significant step towards the completion of the Saxilby Waterfront Regeneration Project and will provide a huge visual improvement to the area.

The exact date of the works is to be confirmed, with the council requesting they are carried out in autumn if possible, so the bridge can be used by residents, boaters, and tourists during the spring and summer months.

The council is incredibly pleased to see its lobbying efforts on this project finally come to fruition.

Cllr. David Cotton, a district councillor for West Lindsey, and chairman of Saxilby with Ingleby Parish Council said, 'I am pleased we



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have been able to agree extensive funding and a indicative time-span for this much needed project. It is a key piece in the regeneration of Saxilby Waterfront.

Once refurbished, it will ensure a further 15-20 years of service, bringing money into the economy for local businesses and in hard times this is so important.

It's better and cheaper to do the work off site to save working over water and so we will lose the bridge for awhile.

During this time, pedestrian access will still be possible to the south bank via steps from the A57 footpath.'

The council thanks WLDC for the investment they are making in their asset which will benefit residents and support the local economy for many years to come.



## **Council News Cont...**

#### Recreation ground update

Throughout November and December the parish council and recreation ground trustees have held joint meetings with sports clubs who use the facilities including - the football teams, Saxilby Tennis Club, Saxilby Bowls club, and Saxilby Cricket Club, to discuss the hand back process and how this will affect the sports clubs going forward.

Topics discussed included changing room provision, pitch/facility maintenance, and the implementation of Service Level Agreements.

Further meetings will be held with clubs in February to continue the work.

#### **New Defibrillator**

A new defibrillator has been fitted on the side of number 7 Meadow Walk, which is on the new Church Fields estate at the northern end of the village.

The What3Words location of this defibrillator is: ///bronze.homeward.winded

The defibrillator is available for public use in an emergency and is easily accessible if required.

Instructions on how to access the defibrillator would be given upon ringing 999.

The parish council thanks Nigel for facilitating the installation of this new defibrilla-



tor and West Lindsey District Council.

This becomes the fourth publicly accessible defibrillator in the village, along with ones at: St An-



drews Community Centre, William Street; Saxilby Village Hall, High Street; and Sunflowers Nursery, Church Lane.

#### Solar panels position statement meeting

The parish council invite you to a consultation meeting to hear your views on the proposed solar farm to the north of the village.

The council are writing a position statement in line with other parish council's in the area which will be sent to the planning inspectorate, and we would like to make sure your views are taken into consideration.

TUESDAY 17 JANUARY 7PM @
ST ANDREWS COMMUNITY
CENTRE, WILLIAM STREET.



# Saxilby with Ingleby Neighbourhood Development Plan Update First Steering Group Meeting

The first meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group will take place on Tuesday, 24 January at 7pm, at the St Andrews Community Centre, William Street.

We are working with a planner to update our Neighbourhood Development Plan that was made in 2017. This will reflect the changes in the village over the last five years.

If you would like to be part of this steering group, please come along and find out more. All are welcome whether you have just moved to Saxilby or you have lived here for many years.

#### **Graveyard headstone testing**

Council officers have been carrying out headstone safety testing in the graveyard over the past few weeks and have had to stake some of the headstones which have failed the safety tests to make them safe.

If you're visiting the grave of a loved one and notice it has been staked, please contact the parish office, so we can discuss this and the next steps which need to be taken with you.

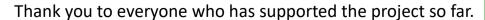
Please contact us at admin@saxilbyparishcouncil.co.uk or call us on: 01522 703912.

## **Saxilby Waterfront**

A reminder that the Saxilby Waterfront Regeneration Project is a Coop Community Champion at the Saxilby store until Saturday, 4 March.

This means that every time someone uses their dividend card in the Saxilby store in this period, the project will receive some funds.

The regeneration project receives funding from donations, fundraising, and grants, so every penny raised in the Community Champions quarter is invaluable to the project.







# Council Business

CALLING ALL COMMUNITY HEROES

Visit https://bit.ly/3yiXMQr to find out more about becoming a parish councillor







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#### **Parish Council Meetings**

Meetings held at the Community Centre, usually on a Wednesday evening. Agendas are available on the Parish noticeboard at Saxilby Co-op and online at www.saxilbyparishcouncil.gov.uk.

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Full Council: 1 February, 1 March

Planning and Finance Committees: 18 January, 15 February

Personnel Committee: See noticeboard or online for dates

Working Groups: See noticeboard or online for dates



#### **Contacting the Parish Council**

By Phone: 01522 703912 (office)

The parish office is open on Tuesdays and Fridays 9.15am-3.15pm. You may wish to contact the office first, to confirm an appointment.

By e-mail: clerk@saxilbyparishcouncil.co.uk | admin@saxilbyparishcouncil.co.uk

Please check our social media for updates:

Website: www.saxilbyparishcouncil.co.uk Facebook: @SaxilbywithInglebyParishCouncil

Twitter: @SaxilbyCouncil Instagram: @saxilbycouncil

#### **Reporting Issues**

West Lindsey District Council: Missed bin collection | Fly tipping | Planning

https://west-lindsey-self.achieveservice.com or 01427 676676

Lincolnshire County Council: Street Lighting | Roads, footpaths inc. potholes | Tip

www.lincolnshire.gov.uk or 01522 552222