

# **DRAFT MINUTES OF SAXTEAD ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

**7.30pm Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2019  
Foxearth Lodge Training Room**

**1. Chairman's welcome**

Mr George Cullingford, as Chair of Saxtead Parish Council, welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming to the meeting.

**Present**

George Cullingford      Graham Ward      Lisa Handley      John Handley  
Lydia Kirk (minute taker)

**2. Apologies were received from Jonathan Sullivan.**

**3. The Minutes from the Annual Parish Meeting on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2018 were approved as an accurate record of the meeting**

**4. There were no matters arising.**

**5. Mr Cullingford ran through some of the Parish Council's projects and achievements of the last 12 months, including the purchase and installation of a community defibrillator, the registration of the pub as an Asset of Community Value, and some progress on the project to install Welcome signs to the village.**

Mr Cullingford was sad to report the death of the former parish clerk, Barry Cable, in April and passed on the Parish Council's condolences to his family.

Mr Cullingford highlighted that the Council currently has 3 vacancies following the sad resignation of Kevin Davis after thirty years. Residents are encouraged to put themselves forward as Councillors to bring the Council up to full strength.

**6. Mr Michael Sharman provided a short written financial report regarding the Townlands Trust for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018.** The net income after expenses was £2,807. Donation to All Saints Church, Saxtead for maintenance of the fabric was £935 and welfare and other payments to seventeen recipients totalled £979.

**7. A Report from the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme was provided by Mr Graham Ward, which included details of crimes in the village as well as words of advice regarding current scams and fraudulent activity.** Regular reports from the Scheme are published throughout the year on the village website, where the coordinators' details can also be found.

**8. No reports from other village organisations were received.**

*Copies of the written reports have been filed and also posted on the village website.*

**9. Mr Handley asked how the Welcome signs project was going. Mr Cullingford told him there had now been a meeting with the Highways Department, which the Parish Council would be discussing further in its meeting.**

**10. There was no other business.**

*Mr Cullingford thanked everyone for coming and the meeting was closed at 19.50pm.*