

## Saxtead Parish Council Annual Report 2022

We would have hoped that Covid in its many forms would have finally gone away, but sadly this is not the case, we still have to be aware of its presence.

We have during this Council year been able to get back to face to face meetings.

The Parish Council have now been able to pursue their main objectives, namely for speed reductions on the A1120, and the extensions of the existing 30mph limits, coupled with the hope of a new entrance signs for the village, the other objective is to pursue the possibility of a footway connecting with the existing path from Framlingham.

Among the planning applications received during the year there were applications for works at Bridge Cottage, Blue Shutters and Hedgerows.

During the year the Council lost its Neighbour Watch Co-ordinator, Graham Ward, who with his Wife has moved to Theberton. Many thanks go to him for all of his work, and all that he done as Vice Chair on the Parish Council. We are now looking for another Neighbour Watch Co-ordinator, Jon Sullivan has stepped in to re-launch the scheme but has no desire to continue into the future; many thanks go to Jon for his help at this time.

We have during the year welcomed two new Parish Councillors, Paul Johnson, and Liz Wale. Lisa Handley has been appointed Vice Chair.

In the late Autumn there was a proposal to hold a Village Survey to ascertain the views of residents on certain matters. Thanks go to the survey team, we hope that the community has responded, the results will be published in due course. Many thanks to John Handley for making and installing the collection boxes.

In a few weeks time the village will celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of our Queen. Thanks go to the organising team, there will be games for the children in the afternoon, tea and a tug-of war between villages from both the big and little greens, competing for the A.G. Cullingford cup.

The council have planted Oak trees on each of the Village Greens which will we hope will thrive and be a reminder of this special occasion.

Thanks to our County Councillor, Stephen Burroughes, who has helped the Council navigate its way through the rigors of speed limits and footways.

Thanks also to our District Councillor Lydia Freeman. Also to all of the Councillors, and to Lydia Kirk, for their support as without this there would not be a Council.

George Cullingford  
March 2022