



# Saxmundham Town Council

Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting of Saxmundham Town Council held on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2024 at the Market Hall, High Street, Saxmundham at 6:00 pm.

## Minutes

### 1. Attendees

Cllr Di Eastman (Chair)  
Cllr John Findlay (Vice-Chair)  
Cllr John Fisher  
Cllr Jeremy Smith  
Cllr Benjamin Gulliford  
Cllr Elizabeth Clark  
Cllr Charlotte Hawkins  
Cllr Marianne Kiff  
Cllr Tim Lock  
Cllr Geraldine Barker

### Apologies

County Cllr Richard Smith  
Cllr James Sandbach

### Also Present

Sharon Smith (Town Clerk/RFO)  
50 members of the public

### 2. Welcome from the Chair

Cllr Di Eastman welcomed all present to the meeting.

### 3. Minutes of Annual Town Meeting 2023

Cllr Elizabeth Clark advised that she was not present at the Annual Town Meeting held on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2023. Following acceptance of this amendment, the minutes of the meeting were approved.

### 4. Civic Year 2023-2024

- a) The Chair of Saxmundham Town Council presented her Annual Report.
- b) The Ward Member for East Suffolk Council presented his Annual Report.

### 5. Public Participation Session

The following local organisations presented their reports:

- a) Saxmundham Green Team
- b) Saxmundham Blue Spaces Team
- c) Citizens Advice – East Suffolk
- d) Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal
- e) Saxmundham Judo Club
- f) Saxmundham and District Community Interest Company
- g) The Art Station
- h) Disability Advice Service
- i) Christians Against Poverty

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**6. South Saxmundham Garden Neighbourhood**

a) The Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group presented a report on the South Saxmundham Garden Neighbourhood and answered questions from the members of the public.

b) Dr Havard presented a report on his aspirations for a new medical centre in Saxmundham and answered questions from the members of the public.

The formal part of the meeting closed at 7:45 pm and was followed by:

**7. Saxmundham on Show**

A range of stalls from local voluntary groups, clubs and charities were provided to allow members of the public to browse and converse informally whilst enjoying light refreshments provided by the Town Council.

**Sharon Smith**  
**Town Clerk/RFO**

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_