

Minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of Pinxton Parish Council

held on 17th May 2021 at 7pm

in the Village Hall

Present: Cllr M Fox (Chairman) Cllr M Dooley Cllr M Hinman Cllr J Coyle
Cllr R Fieldsend Cllr C Brockman- Drake Cllr V Meredith Cllr R Street

21/101 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from:

Cllr P Chippington who had university commitments.

Cllr L Brentnall who had work commitments.

Cllr B Kelly who was unwell

The three apologies were accepted.

No apologies were received from Cllr Marshall.

21/102 Declaration of Members Interest/Update of Register

Cllr Hinman declared a pecuniary interest in agenda item 21/106 The Village Inn due to him being the license holder.

21/103 Dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest.

Cllr Hinman requested dispensation on agenda item 21/106 The Village Inn. Dispensation form had been completed and presented to the Clerk.

RESOLVED (unanimous) Cllr Hinman be permitted to speak on agenda item 21/106 but not to vote.

21/104 Exclusion of Public in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, S1.

It was unanimously agreed to exclude members of the public from the meeting because it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, that, if members of the public were present during those items, there would be disclosure to them of exempt information relating to the financial and business affairs of the Council and particular persons (Item 12).

21/105 Public Speaking

No public except for two members of Pinxton Pharmacy were present.

21/106 The Village Inn

Consideration was given to the re-opening of The Village Inn in May whilst the Covid Vaccination Centre is in operation. The proposal from Cllr Hinman is that the internal doors be kept locked, customers would enter and exit via the rear doors, Cllr Hinman is prepared to negotiate on opening times. The Parish Council could hire two porta loos for the rear of the building, costings of which were distributed to members prior to the meeting. Standing orders were suspended to permit the representatives of Pinxton Pharmacy to speak.

The pharmacy representatives reported that NHS England had advised that a booster programme would be continuing until March 2022.

The pharmacy requires exclusive access to the premises due to the vaccine being stored there.

The Chairman asked why would there be an objection to the Village Inn being open.

Nick Patel explained that NHS England may not like changes being made to the original proposal.

The Chairman pointed out that in the Village Inn was not part of the agreement between the Parish Council and the pharmacy.

Cllr Coyle asked who had drawn up the agreement as it was flawed, it should have covered the entire village hall and it had never been brought before the council. He advised that he understood the issue with the Village Inn but the first priority had to be Covid.

Cllr Drake-Brockman could not understand why the Village Inn opening would interfere with the running of the Covid vaccination centre.

Cllr Street advised that at the last full council meeting it was agreed that the Village Inn could open on 17th May with concessions until October.

Nick Patel suggested the vaccination centre by day and the Village Inn by night, But the bar area will be required when Phiser is introduced.

Cllr Street suggested the use of the buffet room.

Cllr Hinman requested that he works with Pinxton Pharmacy on an agreeable outcome. He would agree to remaining closed on a Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday until the vaccination centre closed then he would open after. He would open as usual on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. H from the pharmacy agreed to provide a schedule of the Covid Centre's opening hours.

Cllr Dooley advised that hostelrys in Chesterfield and Shirebrook had to close due to them being used as vaccination centres.

RESOLVED (unanimous) Representatives of the pharmacy meet with Cllr Hinman to discuss proposed opening hours then report back to the council.

RESOLVED (unanimous) The Parish Council to pay for the rental of the Porta toilets for use by the Village Inn.

The Clerk advised the council that she had written the agreement between the pharmacy and the Parish Council, the use of the centre for vaccinations had never been brought before the council and it had been agreed prior to her commencing employment. To cover the council she had to draw up an agreement immediately. If it had been worded to include the whole village hall then it would cover the Village Inn and office space.

Cllr Coyle shouted at the Clerk to grow up, approached her table pointing his finger at her and continued to berate her in an aggressive manner saying she "Was only a Clerk". The Chairman stepped in and instructed Cllr Coyle to sit down, at which point Cllr Coyle left the meeting.

The Clerk advised that she would be minuting the incident.

21/107 Date of the next Ordinary Parish Council meeting – 19th May 2021

Please note this will be the Annual Parish Meeting at 6.30pm followed by the Annual Parish Council Meeting. This meeting will be in person with no Zoom access and will be held in The Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 8.04pm

Signed Chairman :  (Cllr Hinman)