MINUTES OF THE PINXTON PARISH COUNCIL

Held at 7.00pm on Wednesday 17th October 2018 at the Village Hall,

3, Kirkstead Road Pinxton, Derbyshire.

Present: Councillors: Kelly, (Chair) Dooley, Fox, Stokoe, Marshall, Street, Meredith.

Clerk: J. Ritchie

Also present: 4 Members of the Public.

**18/070 To receive apologies for absence**

Cllrs. Hinman, Coyle, Fieldsend and Drake-Brockman

**18/071 To receive Declaration of Members Interest/ Update of Register**

Cllr. Fox declared an interest in the Queen Street Hammerhead. He stayed in the meeting but took no part in the discussion or in any vote. Cllr. Fox made the declaration as he lives on Queen Street.

Cllr. Marshall declared an interest in the Pinxton FC (U.18) S.137 grant request. He stayed in the meeting but took no part in the discussion or vote but did answer a question put to him for clarification regarding Pinxton FC.

Cllr. Marshall is the Chair of Pinxton FC.

**18/072 To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on**

**matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest.**

None to report.

**18/073 To confirm the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on**

**Wednesday 19th September 2018.**

Moved by Cllr. Kelly and seconded by Cllr. Street that they be accepted.

All in favour.

**18/074 To note updates on matters arising from the Minutes (**for information

only).

Work on the Hotspots continue.

The dropped kerbs outside the VH would need Planning Permission from BDC and dropped kerb permission from DCC.

Noted

**18/075 Public Speaking**

**075.1 Parishioner matters.**

Two parishioners came to complain about the ASB on Glebe Avenue. The Clerk had already made BDC aware and was to contact the local PCSO and the ASB officer at BDC stressing the upset this is causing.

A young member of the District wanted to do an alternative newsletter and he was advised to call and see the Clerk as there were several publications going around currently.

Another parishioner reported on the two accidents at Town street Junction and the need for something to be done, and enquired about a road sweeper coming to Pinxton. The Clerk to take up with BDC.

**075.2 Police matters.**

There was no presence from the police or PCSO. The Clerk had however received a written summary from the local PCSO. She said there was no major problems and the trouble on Glebe Avenue and Town street had quietened down, which rather contradicted this evenings report. Several reports of parking issues outside schools, but this wasn’t just confined to Pinxton.

The local beat team had been trained up on Project “ZAO” which was about knife crime and they were looking at going into Frederick Gents school to disseminate the information via presentations and hoped to go into Pinxton youth club as well.

**075.3 Reports from Council Representatives on Outside Bodies.**

None

**075.4 Reports from District and County Councillor Representatives on**

**matters of direct relevance to Pinxton Parishioners.**

Cllr. Dooley reported on the suspension of Universal Credit which was just about to be rolled out in BDC area. The Government have stopped it pending further refinements!

Cllr. Dooley also reported that BDC had written to the Government in very strong terms to oppose the idea of giving Fracking “Permitted Development Rights” which would mean Fracking Companies could Frack wherever, without recourse to seeking Planning Permission first. There is an item on the agenda concerning this.

The 200th anniversary of the Mansfield Pinxton railway line was coming up and it was suggested that blue plaques where going to be put up in Pinxton, Sutton, Kirkby and Mansfield alongside the stations.

**18/076 Planning Applications**

**17/00396/OUT residential development of 65 houses off Alfreton Road.**

**This was a late addition to the agenda but brought specifically because the deadline for any comments was imminent as it was going to Planning Committee on the 24th October 2018. Cllr. Dooley said she would be at Planning to speak against it, and that received the support of the other Councillors and the public present.**

**There had been two accidents in the past three weeks at the junction of Alfreton Road with Town Street/ Victoria Street and traffic was increasing every day. 65 houses would bring even more traffic.**

**The Clerk said that one positive may be that the conditions of Planning may require S.106 monies to be spent on improving the said junction and the junction at the other end of Alfreton Road where it meets the Common.**

**18/077 Parish Council – Items for Decision/Action**

**077.1 The Council discussed whether residents could have one allotment or two allotments, as there was one person with two allotments, and another person had made a request for a second allotment, whilst there was a waiting list for allotments.**

**Cllr. Street explained that the empty land was turned into allotments some years ago and at that time only one person was using the land, and when the land was divided into 8 plots the only person interested at that time, was allowed two plots.**

**The Council said that when all plots were taken, and a waiting list was held, then it could only be one plot per person, except for the original allotment holder, and when that gentleman no longer wanted his plot(s) the situation would revert to the one plot rule.**

**Moved by Cllr. Street and seconded by Cllr. Dooley that the above is accepted. Agreed by all.**

**077.2 Members discussed a letter asking for a S.137 grant for a new football kit from Pinxton FC Youth team. The Council debated the request without Cllr. Marshall taking part, other than answering a question concerning Pinxton FC. Suggestions were made concerning the Club trying a BDC fund run by Cathy Ford and a fund held by Cllr. Coyle at DCC. The Clerk said he would obtain the form from Cathy Ford and pass it on and ask the football club to write in again with a more general request for a grant, rather than a specific request for funds for a new kit.**

**Agreed by all Members (Cllr. Marshall took no part in the discussion nor in the outcome).**

**077.3 The Clerk had been asked to place on the agenda an idea concerning John King and a Blue Plaque to commemorate his link with Pinxton. The plaque would cost in the region of £350.00 and it had been suggested it be placed on the wall of the doctor’s surgery. Another suggestion had been received by the Clerk prior to the meeting from the Scout leaders who used the old John King museum, and they were suggesting the said museum/scout hut. Councillor Street said he thought it would be best on the replica winding apparatus which shows John Kings invention at the top of Victoria Road.**

**Moved by Cllr. Street and seconded by Cllr. Dooley that the blue plaque is purchased and placed on the winding gear in the memorial garden at the top of Victoria Road. Agreed by all.**

**077.4 The Clerk reported back on the questions previously raised by Members concerning the potential for a concert by Fordante the “Andre Rieu” inspired ensemble. Members decided to hold a concert in the Spring after all the potential bad weather. The provisional date would be the 27/4/19 subject to availability.**

**Agreed by all.**

**077.5 The Clerk had received a petition concerning the Government giving Permitted Development Rights to Fracking companies by- passing County Councils and District Councils. This was not about being for or against fracking, but about the Democratic process, and by giving fracking companies Permitted Rights, that process was eroded.**

**Moved by Cllr. Dooley and seconded by Cllr. Fox that we do write and oppose the giving of Permitted Rights to fracking companies without the due requirement of the Planning Process. All agreed**

**077.6 The Clerk brought the meeting up to date with the Queen Street hammerhead and the lack of returns yet from those asked to quote. Only one price had been returned and that was £6,000 above the monies given to the Parish by the County Council. Cllr. Street said he understood from a contractor in Pinxton that he had got the job, but the Clerk said he had not had a price back from the contractor. The Clerk said he would chase up the contractor and was hopeful of receiving more prices back, so a measured decision could be taken on any shortfall.**

**All agreed.**

**18/078 Financial Matters**

**078.1 Income and expenditure Details for September 2018**

**078.2 Bank reconciliation Statement as at 30th September 2018**

**078.3 Monthly analysis of cash book for September 2018**

**078.4 Budget to date**

**078.5 Statement of Parish Council Investment**

**Moved by Cllr. Street and seconded by Cllr. Dooley that items**

**051.1,2,3,4,5 be accepted, with the new budget sheet issued. The budget sheet sent out with the agenda had some anomalies with the “left to spend column”, in as much as the formulas had not worked through correctly. The budget and total spent were correct, and now this new sheet showed the correct “left to spend”.**

**This would be more useful when it came to do the precept for next year as it would forecast surpluses or overspends, and the proposed budget could be an additional column on the budget sheet to compare with the current year’s budget.**

**The Clerk also updated the meeting on the WW1 silhouettes.**

**All in favour**

**18/079 To receive – Clerks Report**

**079.1 Members noted the 200th anniversary upcoming of the Mansfield Pinxton Railway. The Clerk had sent details to Scott Chambers at BDC to include in the next Gazette, and also to PBG for the website and to our web builder for our website.**

079.2 The Clerk reported on the Town & Parish Council Consultation meeting, the notes of which had been circulated to all members by email.

079.3 The Clerk reported that the website should be up and running, certainly by Tuesday 23/10/18 and Members were invited to make comments, so the website can be exactly as we want it. The website address is www.pinxtonparishcouncil.co.uk

079.4 The Clerk reported on the WW1 Day for the 11/11/18, and everything is in order currently. The 10 silhouettes came and were not impressive, so the other 64 silhouettes were cancelled and substituted with four 6’ Tommies. A debate ensued about where the Tommies should stand, and in a vote, it was decided by 4 votes to 3 to have the Tommies at the Church, near the gate, at the cenotaph, at the PC offices opposite the WW1 Memorial and at the memorial garden at the junction of Alfreton Road, West End, Victoria Road etc.

The Clerk further reported that the plaque to the 74 fallen soldiers of Pinxton had arrived at the VH and along with the book of Remembrance they would be erected in the passage at the VH. The joiner Shaun Irvine said he would do the materials at cost and the labour at 50% in view of what the work was commemorating.

079.5 The Clerk reminded the Members that the external audit was still working on challenges to audits and doing them in the order they were received, so there was no news yet on the challenges to our submissions. Until the matter is finalised no Certificate of Completion of Audit can be issued. Details of Public Rights to view the accounts and the AGAR were currently published on the noticeboards and the Pinxton PC page of the BDC website.

079.6 The Clerk reported that the latest consultation was out from HS2, on the Environmental Impact assessment and the Equality Impact Assessment.

079.7 The Clerk reported that unfortunately Lauren Monks had ceased the Tea Dances from the 18/1/0/18 due to lack of numbers. Members expressed their thanks to Lauren for trying to get it going in the village.

079.8 The Clerk reported he had received a letter from Richard Haigh of the CVS, part of the Partnership at BDC, and he was seeking views on what PPC wanted the CVS to do for them going forward. Any Member with suggestions should contact the Clerk so he can pass it on to Richard at the CVS.

079.9 Pinxton Brookhill Group asked if they could have a disco on the afternoon of the Xmas fair in the VH for all the children. Most of the stalls would be in the PASS centre and outside the VH, with the grotto in the small hall. The disco would finish at 10.00pm. Councillors Dooley and Marshall moved acceptance of the request so long as the PBG cleaned up after the Disco. All agreed.

079.10 The Clerk gave an update on the WW1 matters not covered above, with the lamp post poppies organised, the wreaths already in the Council Offices and the poppies and collecting boxes coming next week (24/10/18) for distribution and food and refreshments organised for after the commemorations. The Clerk had visited the Derbyshire Hotel on Friday the 19/10/18 to finalise details, as they were providing sandwiches for 100 people. The PC were providing the cakes, crisps etc. Stan Berrill was checking on the marching band.

079.11 The Clerk gave notice that the van the Council used was coming to the end of its useful life. A discussion ensued about a new van or second-hand van, and the Clerk said he would put it on the next agenda and have more details available regarding costs etc.

**18/080 To note – Correspondence received**

**All correspondence was noted and had been dealt with elsewhere, but the Clerk for information added more correspondence namely, also Noted.**

**080.8 Letter of thanks from the RBL Poppy appeal for our “donations” for the lamp post poppies. They cost £3.00 each and it is classed as a donation to avoid the need to charge VAT. We have had three orders this year as some Members asked for several which they paid for themselves**

**080.9 Local Enforcement Plan received from BDC, which had been circulated to all members.**

**18/081 To note – The date of the next Parish Council meeting – 21st**

**November 2018, commencing at 7.00pm**

**18/082  Exclusion of Public (Confidential Items)**

*In accordance with Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 section 1 (2) the*

*Council exclude the public and press from the meeting by reason of the confidential*

*nature of the business to be transacted.*

NONE