**MINUTES OF THE PINXTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**Held on the 7th. October 2020 at the Village Hall in Pinxton. Commencing at 7.00pm**

Present: Cllrs: Fox, Kelly, Hinman, Dooley, Street, Drake-Brockman, Meredith, Brentnall

Clerk: John Ritchie.

**19/212 To receive apologies for absence:**

Apologies were accepted for Cllr. Chippington who had gone to University, Cllr. Coyle who was trying to get to the meeting. (The Clerk received an email sent before the meeting but not seen by the Clerk until after the meeting) and Cllr. Marshall.

**19/213 To receive Declaration of Members Interest/update of Register –** if you require guidance from the Clerk this must be sought well in advance of the meeting and, in any event by no later than 5pm two working days before the day of the meeting.

**Please note:** Members must ensure they complete the Declaration of Interest sheet prior to the start of the meeting. Column 5 of the Declaration of Interest sheet must be completed in all cases to indicate the action to be taken.

**19/214 To receive and approve requests for dispensations from Members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest.**

None

**19/215 To confirm the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held Wednesday 19th August 2020**

**19/216 To note updates on matters arising from the Minutes** (for information only)

None

**19/217 Parish Council – Items for Decision.**

**217.1** The Clerk had written to the Chair resigning from his position and giving three months’ notice, but also asked whether the PC wanted him to use his leave up or stay as long as possible and be paid for any unused leave.

Cllr. Dooley asked why he was leaving, and the Clerk said he was retiring reaching the pensionable age of 66 on January 1st, 2021.

Cllr. Street said he would rather have the Minutes reflect the Retiring aspect rather than the resigning aspect.

**Members accepted the Clerks retirement on the 31st December 2020, with the acknowledgement the Clerk would still help out until the new clerk was in place and understood the routine. The Members further agreed to pay the Clerk for his unused holidays rather than have him leave prior to the proposed date.**

**All in favour.**

**217.2** The Clerk brought to the meeting the advertisement for the position of Clerk and RFO and sought Members approval to advertise via DCC, DALC, BDC and our website along with PBG. Members discussed the dates, and it was decided to advertise asap and have the closing date of the 9th November 2020 at Noon. All applications to be sent to the Chairman’s house. (at the time of writing these Minutes up -9/10/20, the advert is already on BDC and DCC vacancies)

**All in favour**

**217.3** The Clerk asked Members to consider the salary and hours on the advert and Members agreed the same the salary banding and the 20 hours.

**All in favour**

**217.4** The Clerk asked about having a panel for the interviews and the Members discussed this and agreed, Chair, V/Chair, Cllr. Street and Cllr. Dooley. Members also asked for the Clerk to be present in a HR advisory role, to which the Clerk accepted, and again re-affirmed he would overlap with the new Clerk.

**All in favour.**

**NB Cllr. Coyle, in his email, expressed an interest in being on the panel but the email wasn’t seen by the Clerk before the meeting.**

**217.5** Members were asked whether they wished to retain the services of the Clerk to oversee the VH Extension until such time as it could be passed on to the new Clerk.

Cllr. Kelly said we should leave the VH extension at this time. Cllr. Street said we have committed at more than one meeting to do the extension and we should progress it. He went on to say there has never been a better time to borrow money and continue the payments we have made for the last 25 years. This is for the future

and the people of Pinxton.

Cllr. Hinman said we cannot change our mind. The Clerk said he was meeting the Contractor and the architect on Friday 9th October and then would have something to bring to a meeting with the contractor and the architect. There also must be a public consultation to secure the loan from the PWLB.

The question posed by the clerk was left in obeyance until another time

**Noted**

**19/218 To note – the date of the next meeting of the Parish Council -21St October 2020 at 7.00pm in the village hall.**

**19/219. Exclusion of the public**

None