

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on  
19<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 7pm

Present:

Cllr M Fox (Chairman)

Cllr M Hinman

Cllr M Dooley

Cllr R Street

Cllr C Drake-Brockman

Cllr V Meredith

L J Powell – Parish Clerk

DCCLr J Siddle

PCSO N Bremmer

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**21/108 Election of Chairman of the Council and Acceptance of Office**

**RESOLVED** (unanimous) Cllr Hinman was elected as Chairman for the ensuing year. He read and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

**21/109 Election of Vice Chairman of the Council and Acceptance of Office**

**RESOLVED** (5 for, 1 abstention) Cllr Dooley was elected Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year. She read and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

**21/110 Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Bretnall and Fieldsend who had work commitments, Cllr Chippington who had university commitments and Cllr Kelly who was unwell.

### **21/111 Declaration of Members Interest/Update of Register**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **21/112 To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest.**

No dispensations were requested.

### **21/113 To determine which items, if any, should be taken with the public excluded.**

It was deemed that no items needed the public excluding.

### **21/114 Minutes**

To confirm or amend, as appropriate, minutes of the Full Parish Council meeting held Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2021. Cllr Dooley pointed out that the wooden statue as a memorial was just a suggestion.

Cllr Dooley had distributed a list of Active Communities activities to the council.

**RESOLVED** (unanimous) the minutes of 21 April 2021 be adopted.

### **21/115 Updates on matters arising from the minutes (for information only)**

The Clerk reported on the following:

#### **Item 291.01 Allotments**

The Allotment holder has given their assurance that it will be a new shed and not one made from scrap.

#### **Item 291.04 Memorial Exiting Covid**

A lovely letter has been received suggesting an alternative to a wooden sculpture, this was read out by the Clerk.

#### **Item 291.06 Relief Caretaker**

The advert has been put on the notice boards but no response as yet.

#### **Item 19/293 Clerk's Report**

The Clerk has checked how waterproof the containers are. The only one which is letting in water is the one use by The Village Inn, the licensee advised he will get it sealed.

### **21/116 Public Speaking**

#### **116.1 Parishioner Matters**

No members of the public wished to speak.

### **116.2 Police Matters**

PCSO N Bremmer was present.

Cllr Dooley requested a presence on Wharf Road due to the anti-social behaviour. She reported that she had also requested CAN Rangers to have a presence there.

PCSO Bremmer thanked Cllr Coyle, Cllr Dooley, the Clerk, staff and the Pharmacy for their efforts during the pandemic.

Cllr Street requested that crime statistics are brought to future meetings.

Cllr Dooley requested the PCSO attend on Thursdays and Fridays when both the Covid Centre and the Schools are active. The PCSO gave a provisional yes.

It was agreed that the Clerk sends an email reporting how valuable the Safer Neighbourhood Team has been.

### **116.3 Reports from Council Representatives on Outside Bodies**

Cllr Dooley reported that the Bingo Club will be meeting at the Welfare Club.

### **116.4 Reports from District and County Councillor Representatives on matters of direct relevance to Pinxton Parishioners**

**Cllr Dooley** reported that Cllr Fox and Herself had their first meeting on Friday regarding the prospect of a train station. They are pushing for Pinxton but so far Selston appears to be favourite.

Bolsover Lottery is up and running with a potential prize of £14k.

420 trees have been planted on Hill Top.

An email has been sent to Matthew Connelly regarding footpaths. All issues should be mapped and photographed.

**Cllr J Siddle** Thanked the council for inviting him to the meeting. He said he hoped to work closely with the council, he thanked Cllr Fox and congratulated him and Cllr Hinman for their new posts. He gave his thanks to Cllr Coyle. He also thanked the staff at the Covid Vaccination Centre for all their hard work. He reported that he had visited the travellers that had moved to South Normanton. There are a few cases of Covid variants in this area so everyone needs to be vigilant. He will keep the Clerk informed and she will send the information to all councillors.

Cllr Siddle advised that several months ago he put forward an alternative proposal regarding footpaths so a compromise could be sought.

Cllr Street asked what portfolios Cllr Siddle would be dealing with but Cllr Siddle advised that nothing had been ratified as yet.

### **21/117 Planning Applications**

The latest planning applications and decisions had been distributed to members prior to the meeting. Cllr Dooley had informed District that PPC's decision on application 20/00457/FUL still stands.

No comment on any applications.

## **21/118 Parish Council – Items for Decision/Action**

### **118.01 Standing Orders**

The current standing orders were reviewed, copies of which had been distributed to members prior to the meeting.

**RESOLVED** (unanimous) The Standing Orders to remain as is.

### **118.02 Financial Regulations**

The current Financial Regulations were reviewed, copies of which had been distributed to members prior to the meeting.

**RESOLVED** (unanimous) The Financial Regulations to remain as is.

### **118.03 Freighter Day**

Consideration was given as to what date is suitable to hold another Freighter Day, choice of dates awaited from Bolsover District Council.

It was agreed that Cllr Fox will deal with this matter and report back at the next meeting.

### **118.04 Dog Bins**

Consideration was given to where and how many additional dog bins should be located.

**RESOLVED** (unanimous) Additional dog bins to be located on the opposite end of the top rec, not Queen Street end. Alexander Terrace at the bottom at the side of the path and before Greyhound Corner on Alfreton Road near bus stop.

### **118.05 Star Council Awards**

Consideration was given to applying for the Star Council Awards, information had been distributed to members prior to the meeting. The Clerk advised that she would like to put the council forward and was prepared to work on it in her own time.

**RESOLVED** (unanimous) the Clerk to propose the council.

### **118.06 Junior Football**

Consideration was given to allowing a junior football team to play on the recreation ground. Issues were raised concerning injury so a waiver would need to be signed.

**RESOLVED** (unanimous) the children's under 9's team be permitted to use the recreation ground free of charge once a waiver freeing the council of liability has been agreed.

### **118.07 General Power of Competence**

Consideration was given to adopting the General Power of Competence as the council has the required number of elected councillors and a qualified Clerk.

**RESOLVED** (unanimous) The Parish Council resolves from 19 May 2021, until the next relevant Annual Meeting of the Council, that having met the conditions of eligibility as defined in the Localism Act 2011 and SI 965 The Parish Councils (General Power of Competence)(Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012, to adopt the General Power of Competence.

### **118.08 Footpaths**

Consideration was given to any action required in relation to footpaths started by the late Cllr Watson.

It was decided to leave in the hands of Cllr J Siddle.

### **118.09 Grant**

As deferred from the meeting of 17<sup>th</sup> March: Consideration was given to a request from a Frederick Gents pupil seeking help raising £2,000 for a trip to Africa in July 2022. There are seven students, four from Pinxton and three from SN and they each have to raise £2,000 for the trip. The trip will enable the students to provide first aid to the villagers and also carry out conservation work.

A lengthy debate ensued over this agenda item.

**RESOLVED** (4 in favour, 2 abstentions) A grant of £2,000 be awarded for this trip via the school.

### **118.10 Village Hall Fire Doors**

Consideration was given to the quotation for the replacement of fire doors at a cost of £1,400 per set (2 sets required). One set of doors is currently broken and cannot be used, the other is experiencing problems.

**RESOLVED** (unanimous) to accept the quotation and replace both sets of doors as soon as possible.

### **118.11 Football Pitches**

Consideration was given to the applications to use the football pitches for the coming season:

The Tops: Pinxton United Saturday afternoon and Sunday afternoon teams. Hop In Sunday morning team.

A discussion took place over the development of the Tops which needs to take place as soon as is practicably possible.

**RESOLVED** (unanimous) to permit all three teams use of the ground providing they liaise with each other. A letter be sent to all teams regarding keeping the changing rooms clean and informing them of future development plans.

## **21/119 Financial Matters (April 21) which had been distributed to members prior to the meeting**

### **119.1 Income and Expenditure Details for April 2021**

### **119.2 Statement of Parish Council Investment.**

### **119.3 Bank Statement for both accounts.**

**RESOLVED** (unanimous) All the above finances matters be approved.

**21/120 Annual Governance Statement**

Consideration was given to the Annual Governance Statement and which statements the Parish Council are in agreement with, copies of which had been distributed to councillors prior to the meeting.

**RESOLVED** (unanimous) the parish council answer yes to all questions.

**21/121 Accounting Statements for 2020/21**

Consideration was given to the accounting statements as completed by the Clerk and supporting explanation of variances, copies of which had been distributed to councillors prior to the meeting.

**RESOLVED** (unanimous) the accounting statements for 2020/21 be approved.

**21/122 Annual Internal Audit Report 2020/21**

Consideration was given to the Annual Internal Audit Report 2020/21 from Auditor Jo Taylor, copies of which had been distributed to members prior to the meeting.

**RESOLVED** (unanimous) the Internal Auditor's report be accepted.

**21/123 Clerks Report**

The Clerk's report was received and noted.


Cllr Dooley thanked the Clerk for her efforts with the travellers.

**21/124 Correspondence Received**

The correspondence was noted.

**21/125 Date of the next Parish Council meeting – 16<sup>th</sup> June 2021 7pm in the Village Hall,  
3 Kirkstead Road, Pinxton, NG16 6NA**

Meeting closed 8.20pm

Signed Chairman.......... (Cllr Hinman)