

## **PINXTON PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of Council meeting held on 16 October 2024 at 7pm at Pinxton Village Hall**

Present: Cllrs Marshall (chair), Dooley, Drake-Brockman, Hinman, Meredith, D Palos, S Palos, Siddle, Slack, Street

In attendance: Parish Clerk P Leppard and 3 members of the public

**24/073 Apologies for absence** Nil

**24/074 Variations of order of business** Nil

**24/075 Declarations of Members' Interests/Update of Interests Register** Cllr Dooley declared an interest in agenda items 13 and 19a. Cllr Meredith declared an interest in agenda item 19a. Cllr Siddle declared an interest in agenda items 18, 19b, 19c, 19d and 20a.

**24/076 Requests for dispensations** Nil

**24/077 Parish Clerk** It was resolved that Joanne Williamson be appointed the Council's Clerk with effect from 21 October 2024.

**24/078 Public speaking**

- a. A member of the public spoke about antisocial/criminal behaviour on their residential street. Another member of the public had a query about applying for a council bungalow.
- b. A report had been received from Derbyshire Police re their dealings with antisocial behaviour on Glebe Ave.
- c. Cllr Dooley (in her District Cllr role) reported on (i) asbestos surveys and general-condition surveys being undertaken of the District's housing stock, (ii) a meeting re church hall refurbishment, (iii) the success of this year's *Lite Bites* programme, (iv) efforts to encourage those eligible to apply for Pension Credits and (v) the latest *Intouch* magazine. Cllr Hinman (in his District Cllr role) reported on flytipping issues. Cllr Siddle (in his County Cllr role) reported on (i) some footway resurfacing, (ii) potholes, (iii) DCC's current Libraries consultation, (iv) delivery of Remembrance wreaths, and (v) Xmas lunch arrangements for residents in need of them.

**24/079 Outside bodies** Cllr Dooley spoke about staff changes at the Miners' Welfare Institute. Cllr Marshall spoke about a recent meeting with CISWO re sports-ground matters.

**24/080 Minutes of previous meeting** It was resolved to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Council's meeting of 5 September.

**24/081 Freedom of the Parish display board** It was resolved to procure an English oak (or similar) board on which names, and associated dates, would be engraved.

**24/082 Motions from Cllr Slack**

- a. It was resolved to hold Parish Council 'surgeries' in the village hall on Thu 7 Nov and Thu 5 Dec, from 1900 to 2100.
- b. This item was deferred.

**24/083 Motions from Cllr D Palos** It was resolved:

- a. that the Clerk will draft, for Council approval, a flooding-emergency plan based around opening the village hall to displaced householders, provision of simple food, and having a stock of empty sandbags.
- b. to obtain quotations to supply & fit a commercial dishwasher in the village-hall kitchen.

**24/084 Motion from Cllr S Palos** It was resolved to fund the emerging costs (expected to total approx. £1,000) of the proposed Warm Hub programme from 6 November to 26 March.

**24/085 Holiday Activities & Food (HAF) programme** It was resolved to fund the emerging costs (upto £2,300) of the proposed HAF programme for the coming 12 months.

**24/086 Play equipment at Recreation Ground** It was resolved to defer this item until there is clarity on the S106 funding position, after which this Council will come to a decision.

**24/087 Village hall heating system** It was resolved to accept quotations totalling £6,260 from Mountain Heating for repairs and upgrades to the existing system.

**24/088 Parish Council's website** It was resolved to further defer to the Council's next meeting a

decision as to which supplier to choose for a new website.

- 24/089 Xmas lights 2024** It was resolved to accept a quotation from Festive Lighting of £13,227.40 + VAT, for supply and installation.
- 24/090 DCC consultation re draft Council Plan 2025-29** It was resolved to note the consultation, and to encourage individuals to respond to it.
- 24/091 Correspondence** It was resolved to:
- a. accede (6 in favour, 4 abstentions) to a request from the Bingo Club to allow them some storage at the Village Hall, as per their letter of 3 Sep 2024.
  - b. agree to the proposals from Pinxton Village FC contained in their letter of 16 Aug 2024.
  - c. note correspondence from a resident re unhelpful parking on Church St W/Oak Cl/Park La on football match days, Cllr Marshall noting that he had since discussed the issue with the relevant parties to make clear how this needs to be managed going forward.
  - d. respond to an 8 Oct email from a football referee, re adequacy of the goalposts on the top football pitch, that these goalposts belong to Pinxton United FC and not the Parish Council, and to explain to him the background behind their introduction and use.
- 24/092 Events**
- a. Remembrance Sunday/Armistice Day: It was (i) noted that Cllr Hinman, in his District Cllr role, will arrange for a grant to the church in respect of Remembrance Sunday costs and (ii) resolved that the Parish Council will bear incidental costs of the Armistice Day event, which the Chair will formally attend.
  - b. It was resolved to fund fully the fireworks supplier's invoice (£2,500 + VAT) for the September 2024 fireworks event, but that the event organiser must be advised that, before 2025's event is committed to, the Council requires a discussion with him as to the bearing of costs.
  - c. It was noted that the following events are planned:
    - Xmas Fair, 30 Nov from 1200
    - Over-75s tea-party, 12 Dec from 1200
    - Delivery of 100 Xmas hampers to over-75s on 16 Dec (the draw to decide recipients having taken place at the 6 Dec Bingo night)It was resolved to authorise that the costs of these 3 events (totalling c.£2,500 net of VAT) will be borne by the Parish Council.
- 24/093 Suspension of Standing Orders** During discussion re minute 24/092c, it was resolved, the time now being 2100hrs, to suspend Standing Orders to enable the meeting to continue.
- 24/094 Finance** It was resolved to defer agenda items 21a,b,c,d&e to the next meeting
- 24/095 Planning Applications** It was resolved to not consider this agenda item.
- 24/096 Date of next Parish Council meeting** This was resolved to be on 20 November at 7pm at the Village Hall.
- 24/097 Exclusion of press & public** It was resolved that, in view of the confidential nature of the following item, it was necessary to discuss them with the public and press excluded, in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, s1.
- 24/098 Multi-Use Games Area** It was resolved to employ, on the payroll, a temporary part-time MUGA attendant at the National Minimum Wage.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm.