

PINXTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Council meeting held on 5 September 2024 at 7pm at Pinxton Village Hall

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

In attendance: Parish Clerk P Leppard and 5 members of the public

- 24/038 Apologies for absence** These had been received from Cllrs Dooley and Hinman.
- 24/039 Variations of order of business** Nil
- 24/040 Declarations of Members' Interests/Update of Interests Register** Cllrs D Palos and S Palos declared an interest in agenda item 20a, given the location's close proximity to their home.
- 24/041 Requests for dispensations** Nil
- 24/042 Locum Clerk** It was resolved that Peter Leppard will act as Locum Clerk until the current Clerk vacancy is filled.
- 24/043 Public speaking**
- A member of the public spoke about antisocial/criminal behaviour on their residential street; the Clerk undertook to forward this information to the appropriate authorities.
 - No reports had been received from Derbyshire Police.
 - Cllr Siddle (in his County Cllr role) reported on (i) a DCC trial of a new rubberised road-resurfacing method and (ii) a review of the 231 (Alfreton-Pinxton) bus timetable.
- 24/044 Outside bodies** There were no reports from outside bodies.
- 24/045 Minutes of previous meeting** It was resolved to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Council's meeting of 19 June. (The planned meeting of 17 July had not taken place.)
- 24/046 DALC Day, 17 Oct** It was resolved that Cllrs Drake-Brockman, D Palos and S Palos will attend this event.
- 24/047 DCC Parish Liaison Forum, 15 Oct** It was resolved that Cllrs D Palos and S Palos will attend this event.
- 24/048 Bolsover DC draft Housing Strategy 2024-29** It was resolved to note this document.
- 24/049 Freedom of the Parish display cabinet** It was resolved that the estimate received was unsatisfactory, and that Cllr Marshall would discuss with the potential supplier a possible different approach.
- 24/050 Hire of Village Hall, 25 December** It was resolved that Cllr Hinman will act as volunteer caretaker for that day, to allow the hire to go ahead.
- 24/051 Proposal for pool table in small hall of Village Hall** It was unanimously resolved to decline this proposal.
- 24/052 Proposals from Cllr Slack** It was resolved to:
- introduce monthly Parish Council 'surgeries', for issues brought by residents, and
 - create official photos for each Council member, to promote councillor recognition.
- For both those issues, councillors would liaise with the Clerk subsequent to this meeting to confirm the specific arrangements they require.
- It was further resolved not to pass Cllr Slack's motion re proposed lanyards.
- 24/063 Play equipment at Recreation Ground** It was resolved to defer this item until the Council's next meeting.
- 24/064 Finance** It was resolved to:
- receive the Internal Auditor's report for FY2023/24.
 - approve the Council's FY2023/24 Governance Statement.
 - approve the Council's FY2023/24 Accounting Statement.
 - note the Council's year-to-date income & expenditure (by category) as at 31 August and endorse the bank reconciliation as at 31 August.
 - authorise a listing of all payments made between 1 April 2024 to 31 August 2024.
- 24/065 Parish Council's website** It was resolved to defer to the Council's next meeting a decision as to which supplier to choose for a new website.

- 24/066 Amber Valley BC Local Plan 2022-40** It was noted that this has now been submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination.
- 24/067 Planning Applications** It was resolved to:
- a. send an objection to Bolsover DC re application 24/00361/FUL (Unit 1, 60 Brookhill Rd).
 - b-d. make no comment re applications 24/00331/OUT (Birchwood Hse, Birchwood La), 24/00255/FUL (17 Burmese Rd) and 24/00392/FUL (Units 57-58, East Midlands Designer Outlet).
 - e. note that an Appeal has been made against the refusal of 24/00102/FUL (16 The Chine).
- 24/068 Date of next Parish Council meeting** This was resolved to be on 16 October at 7pm at the Village Hall.
- 24/069 Exclusion of press & public** It was resolved that, in view of the confidential nature of the following items, it was necessary to discuss them with the public and press excluded, in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, s1.
- 24/070 Staff contractual matter** It was resolved to agree the course of action proposed by the Clerk.
- 24/071 Multi-Use Games Area** It was resolved to (a) end the current temporary staffing arrangements on 29 September, (b) introduce (and pre-publicise as appropriate) new temporary arrangements effective from 30 September and (c) recruit a new person as soon as reasonably possible in order to then create new permanent arrangements for management of the MUGA.
- 24/072 Recruitment of new Parish Clerk** It was resolved that, following the closing date of the recruitment advertisement (9 September), the HR Committee be authorised to decide a list of interviewees and conduct those interviews, in order to then make a recommendation to full Council.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.