**MINUTES OF THE PINXTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**Held on the 23rd. OCTOBER 2019 at the Village Hall, Kirkstead Road, Pinxton. Commencing at 8.00pm**

Present: Cllrs: Fox, Kelly, Watson, Meredith, Street, Dooley, Chippington

Clerk: John Ritchie.

**19/069 To receive apologies for absence:**

Councillors Hinman, Marshall and Brentnall tendered their apologies.

**19/070 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.

Cllr. Watson declared an interest in item 19/075 planning applications. Cllr Watson is on the Planning Committee at Bolsover DC. He elected to leave the meeting whilst matters were considered.

Cllr. Watson declared an interest in items 19/075.5, as it concerned the Annual Audit letter and the challenge the Auditors received from Cllr. Watson. He left the meeting whilst the item was discussed.

Cllr. Watson declared an interest in item 0075.4 as it concerned Bolsover DC. He made no decision on whether to leave or stay until it was determined whether the item could be purposely discussed. He remained in the room

**19/071 To receive and approve requests for dispensations from Members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest.**

None

**19/072 To confirm the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held Wednesday 18th September 2019**

**All in favour except for Cllr. Watson who abstained. The Minutes were moved by Cllr. Dooley and seconded by Cllr. Meredith.**

**19/073 To note updates on matters arising from the Minutes** (for information only). Question on the trees on Wharf Road, situation ongoing.

**19/074 Public Speaking.**

**074.1 Parishioner Matters**

None

**074.2 Police Matters**

The Chair had been in touch with the police and had a report from the police to read out.

The Fair and fireworks had gone off without any trouble.

There had been a drugs warrant served on a property on King Street

There was very little ASB to report

A civil injunction had been taken out on a Wharf Road resident.

PC Bird reported he was back to himself plus one, as a team member had left the force.

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

None

**074.4 Reports from District & County Councillor Representatives on matters of direct relevance to Pinxton Parishioners.**

Cllr. Dooley reported about the planning application for Wincobank, off the A38 which included a 95-bed hotel, pubs, restaurant and bars and 600 jobs. The Committee had approved it.

Cllr Watson, who is on planning pointed out that it was against the Local Plan, affected other shopping areas and needs now to go to the Secretary of State.

Cllr. Dooley passed a handout round on Air Quality.

Cllr. Dooley reported on the empty property officer being able to bring an empty property back into use in Pinxton.

Cllr. Dooley reported that the Dragonfly Housing for Park Lane had been put back until April 2020.

Cllr. Dooley also reported that the Release Financial Charity had had a very good day in the VH on 17/10/19

Cllr Dooley reported on the Blue Plaque unveiling at the headstocks at the top of Victoria Road. Bolsover DC TV was present and Pinxton was the feature of this month’s programme.

Cllr. Dooley reported that she had notified DCC regarding pot holes on Ash Close, West End, Arthur Street and Hawthorn Avenue. West End had been repaired already.

**19/075 Planning Applications**

Cllr Watson had declared his interest as he was on the BDC Planning Committee

**He left the meeting at this point whilst these matters were discussed.**

The applications listed in the agenda were Noted

**The following applications have been granted permission**

The applications were as the agenda with two more coming in after the agenda was set but before the meeting. These were;

19/00526/FUL First floor extension at 2, Oakdale Road, Broadmeadows

19/00509/FUL Single storey side and rear extensions at 6, Honeycroft Court, Broadmeadows.

**The following applications have been refused.**

None

**19/076 Parish Council – Items for Decision.**

076.1

The Clerk had placed the Community speed gun on the agenda and Cllr. Watson suggested that a Community Group be formed to do the speed checks. It is understood that a gun can be borrowed for the purpose.

**Moved by Cllr. Watson and seconded by Cllr. Fox that the item be deferred pending the formation of a Community Speed Gun Group.**

**All in favour.**

0.76.2

The Clerk had placed the Welfare Drive on the agenda, which required some attention, and which was a 50/50 responsibility with the Welfare. Cllr. Street suggested taking legal advice on the joint situation within the Lease and also contacting CISWO for their input. Cllr. Kelly said the PC could consider stage payments by the welfare. Cllr. Watson reminded the Council that there had been claims made and won by parishioners after incidents on welfare drive.

**Moved by Cllr. Street and seconded by Cllr. Kelly that the item is deferred pending Legal advice being sought and CISWO being contacted.**

**All in Favour.**

076.3

The Clerk reported on the letter from Norman Taylor about an amount of Pinxton artefacts, memorabilia and other records collected over the years by Jennie Taylor, (nee Freeman), and whether the PC should be guardian of said collection.

Cllr. Kelly said it would be marvellous and Cllr Dooley agreed. Cllr. Watson said the idea had merit but needed cataloguing and to be on display. Cllr. Street thought an archive room would be good, but we needed to know just what was in the collection. He also mentioned the DCC safe storage and the use of an archivist.

The Clerk mentioned a consideration was an extension to the VH, not just for the collection, but in general terms and a room therefore being added should it be proved to be what the PC wanted.

**Moved by Cllr. Watson and seconded by Cllr. Street that there is a consensus to have the collection and store it, but also look at displaying it properly, and notated by an archivist if required.**

**All in favour**

076.4

The Clerk had put this item on for discussion, but there was some confusion over the “transport “paper from BDC. The Clerk was to recirculate. The other item on this was a request for a bus shelter at Toll Bar. It was further suggested that one was required at Victoria Road opposite the chip shop. Cllr Dooley said we should obtain prices. The Clerk said DCC usually meet 50% of any costs associated with a new bus shelter(s).

**Moved by Cllr. Street and seconded by Cllr. Dooley that costs be established for a new bus shelter and brought back to the next meeting.**

**All in favour.**

076.5. **Cllr. Watson left the meeting whilst this item was discussed**

The Clerk reported on the Annual Audit Letter and the cost of an additional hour’s audit to consider the challenges made by Cllr. Watson.

**Resolved it be noted.**

Cllr. Watson returned to the meeting.

076.6

The Clerk reported the funfair and fireworks went off all right on the night, with no adverse reports and reported that all paperwork was in order. Cllr. Street said there was a lack of available first aid on the filed and there was some alcohol around, but the event went well. It was agreed the Pinxton Main Event was good for the village and that some lessons had been learnt for the future.

**Resolved it be noted**

076.7

The Clerk had organised new email addresses for all Councillors which followed a common format and better protected the PC with its Data Protection obligations. It would be rolled out shortly.

**Resolved it be noted**

076.8

Clerk reported on the Allotment contract. Ours was as robust as any other Parish, indeed most used the same template. Cllr. Street said it was nice to have rules, it was the enforcing of them that was the problem. When the new contracts are sent out, an accompanying letter will set out what the Council will do in the event of the allotment not being kept up to standard. They will also be inspected regularly.

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

**All in favour.**

076.9

The Clerk reported on the number of dog bins and litter bins in the two Pinxton wards, of Pinxton and Broadmeadows. Cllr. Kelly was surprised at the number of dog bins (25). Cllr. Watson said the bins in Pinxton contrasted remarkably with the bins in Broadmeadows.

Cllr. Watson asked for an Agenda item next month to discuss Dog Bins and activity in Broadmeadows, an all-weather track, and two bins for The Chine.

**Resolved that these items be placed on the agenda next month.**

**All in favour**

076.10

The Clerk reported on the request for the PPC to support the Local Electricity Bill and to support the Motion as sated. Cllr. Street thought we should agree in principal but stop short of signing up. Cllr. Watson said we should note the request but maintain a neutral position.

**Resolved to note the Motion and the Local Electricity Bill but to remain neutral and not give our name to the Motion.**

**All in favour**

076.11 The Clerk reported on the additional cost of the Xmas lights due to the electrical regulations being updated. Members will recall the VH had to be updated with the electrics and the Fire alarm for the same reason. The additional cost is £3750.00 plus VAT. Without the work there will be no lights and the PPC have a five-year agreement with Festive Lighting.

**Moved by Cllr. Watson and seconded by Cllr. Kelly that the work is carried out, because we need to have Xmas lights.**

**All in favour**

**Cllr. Watson left the meeting.**

**19/077 Financial Matters**

Items 077.1 - 077.8 were moved enbloc by Cllr. Street and seconded by Cllr. Dooley.

**All in Favour**

**19/078 To receive clerks report**

It was moved that the report be accepted enbloc.

Cllr. Kelly asked at 078.6 that the Union Jack be taken to Church and the standard for the alter, in readiness for the Remembrance Service on November 10th. 2019

**19/079 To note Correspondence received**

**Moved that the correspondence be noted**

**All in favour.**

**19/080 To note – the date of the next meeting of the Parish Council -20th November 2019 at 7.00pm**

**19/081 Exclusion of the Public (confidential items)**

*In accordance with Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 section 1 (2) the Council exclude the public and the press from the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.*

None