

Pinchbeck Parish Council Community Hub & Library Committee

Minutes of meeting held 16:30hrs, Monday, 18 November 2024, at The Hub, 48 Knight Street, Pinchbeck, PE11 3RU.

Present: Cllr Audrey Gregory, Cllr John Smith (chair), Cllr Emma Beavis, District & County

Cllr Elizabeth Sneath, Mr Robert Smith (clerk), Ms Nicola Jowett (Administration

Assistant)

Absent: Cllr Lynne Andrew, Cllr Dean Roizer.

- 24.63. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Lynne Andrew.
- 24.64. There were no declarations of disclosable interest, nor requests for dispensation.
- 24.65. There were no matters arising from the previous minutes not on the agenda.
- 24.66. It was **resolved** to approve the minutes of the meeting held 16 September 2024.
- 24.67. It was **resolved** to move into closed session on the grounds of confidentiality in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s.1(2).
- 24.68. Cllr Smith reported on recent Hub & Library activity.
 - O1. The MIND Good Mood Café had been well received and well attended. Its last day this year would be 16 December, restarting 6 January 2025.
 - 02. There was availability for more evening bookings. Cllr Smith was looking into small classes that could fill the smaller Hub rooms.
 - 03. Coordination with the Church and Village Halls was being progressed to signpost smaller bookings to the Hub and larger bookings to the Church and Village Halls.
 - 04. Library training was being undertaken by Marion Brown on 29 November. Twelve volunteers were attending, so far.
 - 05. LIVES (Lincolnshire Integrated Voluntary Emergency Services) had booked defibrillator and CPR training in January & February 2025. There would be a £12.50 donation per attendee which would be donated back to LIVES. It was recommended that there should be 8-10 attendees. Classes would be scheduled for late afternoon and evening to maximise attendance and trainer time.
- 24.69. Receipt of grant funding for breastfeeding chair and equipment was awaited, prior to making any purchases.
- 24.70. GrassRoots Funding
 - 01. The clerk circulated a report on expenditure to date, for Grassroots funding.
 - 02. Looking at future funding ideas, library investment was to be explored
 - 03. Cllr Gregory would send application details for a £250.00 grant to Cllr Smith.
 - 04. Cllr Smith to investigate grant availability for Hub entry system and CCTV.
- 24.71. Administration matters.
 - 01. There were 26 volunteers now in place at the Hub. LCC were to provide training on volunteer recruitment and utilising its volunteer portal to hold personnel details, training records etc.
 - 02. Cllr Smith reported on safeguarding practices for volunteers. A health & safety and safeguarding induction was given when volunteers started at the Hub and library. A safeguarding policy was in place. DBS checks were not considered necessary given the work that the volunteers undertook.
 - 03. A volunteer rota for the hub for meet and greet was being set up.
 - 04. Future hub bookings were to be made electronically. Payment in advance was to be

- considered for new bookings and the cancellation policy implemented.
- 05. The employment of a caretaker for the hub and library was being considered.
- 24.72. Date of next meeting: 18:00hrs 13 January 2025, at the Hub.

The chair closed the meeting at 17:34 hrs.