

WALDRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of an additional Meeting of
the Waldridge Parish Council
held on 20 March 2020 at 6.30pm**



Present: Councillors - Bell, Davies, Foster and Moist

Also in attendance – Sarah Wilson - Parish Clerk

1. **Welcome**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. **Apologies for Absence:**

Cllrs Corner, Harding, Howie, McCrystal, Morrison and Sexton submitted their apologies.

Resolved: *It was agreed that all apologies would be accepted (unanimous).*

3. **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

No members declared an interest.

4. **Urgent Issues**

a) **Staffing**

As the nature of the business to be transacted was sensitive in nature, Council resolved that the public and the press will be temporarily excluded from the meeting for this item, in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s. 1. The Council considered the recommendations made in the confidential report titled 'Covid-19 Staffing'.

Resolved: *The recommendations made in the confidential report titled 'Covid-19 Staffing' were approved (unanimous).*

b) **Parish Rooms**

The Council discussed the potential temporary closure of the Parish Rooms, due to the current coronavirus outbreak.

Resolved: *It was agreed that the Parish Rooms should be closed until further notice (unanimous).*

c) **Cancellations**

The Council considered the possible cancellation of upcoming non-statutory activities, and the postponement of the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Meeting of the Council.

Resolved: *It was agreed that the Easter Eggstravaganza, Big Spring Clean and April Council meeting would be cancelled, and that the Annual Meeting of the Council and Annual Parish Meeting would be postponed until further advice is received from NALC (unanimous).*

d) **Delegation**

The Council considered the extending of the delegation of Council decisions to the Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and the Vice Chairman, during any period of restricted activity in respect of the Covid-19 virus.

Resolved: *The extending of the delegation of Council decisions to the Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and the Vice Chairman, during any period of restricted activity in respect of the Covid-19 virus was agreed (unanimous). Such delegation to empower the Clerk to take any action that is expedient or necessary to ensure continuous business of the Council, and to enable the Council to fulfil its responsibilities and carry out its functions. The delegation does not extend to matters expressly reserved to the Council in legislation. Any decisions made under this delegation must be recorded in writing and must be published in accordance with the relevant regulations.*

5. **Date of Next Meeting**

To be confirmed.

The meeting terminated at 6.44 pm

Chairman
Date