

BERRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING

Monday 23rd March 2020

MINUTES

Chairman's welcome

1. **Present** Councillor C Wild-Chairman, Councillor R Purslow- Vice chairman, Councillor C Bonsey, Councillor S Mason. Apologies were received from Councillor L Picton, V Councillor E Brayne, Councillor J Brayne, Councillor G Jones and Councillor S Shedden. These members did not attend the extraordinary meeting due to their self-isolating during the Corona COVID19 outbreak. These members had contacted the clerk by e-mail and had expressed their agreement with all the items on the agenda to enable to the Parish Council to continue with its day to day business during the Corona COVID19 outbreak.
2. ***To note that it is lawful for the clerk to spend against specific items in the Parish Council's budget i.e. for contractors, hall hire, clerk's salary, all of which having been identified in the budget when setting the precept, any such payments to be reported to the Council at the next ordinary meeting.***
This was noted by all members present.
3. ***To approve provision of delegated powers to the Clerk to spend up to £500 in any one transaction and to authorise urgent work when unforeseen circumstances occur. This to be agreed with the Chairman and Vice-chairman prior to payment.***
After a brief discussion it was agreed that this be approved. Proposed by Councillor C Wild, seconded by Councillor S Mason and agreed by all members present.
4. ***To approve provision of delegated powers to the Clerk to pay any contractors for work done which has been agreed by members. This to include any variation on specifications and any additional extras. This will be agreed by members of the Parish Council by e-mail during the suspension of public meetings. (see financial regulations 12.1;12.2;12.3)*** After a brief discussion it was agreed that this be approved. Proposed by Councillor C Wild, seconded by Councillor S Mason and agreed by all members present
5. ***To approve provision of delegated powers to the Clerk to authorise any essential Maintenance /Repairs to Community Assets whilst the Hall is closed down during the COVID19 outbreak.***
After a brief discussion it was agreed that this be approved. Proposed by Councillor C Wild, seconded by Councillor S Mason and agreed by all members present
6. ***Delegated powers to the clerk to respond to planning applications (councillors are still able to submit their own personal comments)*** after a brief discussion it was agreed that this be approved. Proposed by Councillor C Wild, seconded by Councillor C Bonsey and agreed by all members present
7. ***Delegated authority for clerk in conjunction with the Parish Council to respond to all consultations including Shropshire Council Consultations.*** After a brief discussion it was

agreed that this be approved. Proposed by Councillor C Wild, seconded by Councillor S Mason and agreed by all members present

8. **Agreement to delegate the postponement of the meeting of the Council on the 2nd April 2020** after a brief discussion it was agreed that this be approved. Proposed by Councillor R Purslow, seconded by Councillor C Wild and agreed by all members present
9. **Agreement to receive and act upon Government advice in relation to the holding of the Annual Meeting of the Parish scheduled to meet on 7th May 2020 (noting such meetings must be held before 1 June) and the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council scheduled to meet on 7th May 2020 (noting such a meeting must be held in May), thereby giving delegated power to the Clerk to make necessary re-arrangements for these meetings in consultation with the Chair.** After a brief discussion it was agreed that this be approved. Proposed by Councillor C Wild, seconded by Councillor S Mason and agreed by all members present
10. The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 7.20pm