

**Worldham Parish Council**  
**Minutes of Extraordinary Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> August 2020, 8pm**  
**Via Zoom Conference Call**

**Present** Cllr W Brock (Chair), Cllr R Twining, Cllr K Malin (partial), Cllr C Sole  
**Also present** Pamela Hibbins, Clerk to Parish Council,  
0 members of the public

**20.73** **Apologies for absence** were noted from Cllr T Blake, Cllr R Bagnell

**20.74** **Declarations of Interests** – None

**20.75** **There were no public questions as no members of the public were in attendance.**

**Meeting reconvened**

**20.76** **Small Business Covid-19 Grant:**

The Parish Council considered applying for the government's small business covid-19 grants for the Village Hall. The government wrote to all district and borough councils confirming that parish councils paying business rates on properties were entitled to apply.

It was noted that annual income from the Village Hall ranged from £500 - £900 and the grant of £10,000 was significantly higher. Council considered if it would be appropriate to apply for such a sum significantly larger than the average income from the hall. Council also considered that these funds would then go back into the central pot and not back to the tax payers.

It was **PROPOSED** that the grant is applied for and the Council identify these funds as designated reserves for improvements to the village hall to benefit the whole community.

**Motion passed** with 3 votes in favour. To note Cllr K Malin was called away on a personal matter prior to the vote. **Action: Clerk**

**20.77** **Date of next meeting**

Meetings are normally held on the first Wednesday of each month, 8pm, at East Worldham Village The next meeting to take place 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020.

**20.78** The Chair closed the meeting at 8.40 pm.

Signed: .....

Date: .....