



# SHIPDHAM PARISH COUNCIL



Chair: Carole Playford Clerk/RFO: June Smith

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## NOTES OF INFORMAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD 11<sup>th</sup> MAY 2020 ONLINE BY ZOOM

Present: Cllrs: Playford (Chair), Dewing, Hewett, Secker, Shelley, Smith, Stolworthy, Cllr Chapman-Allen, Leader of Breckland District Council, District Cllr Turner, County Cllr Connolly & Clerk: June Smith. Also joining online Rev G Wells.

The meeting opened at 7.30pm

- J Smith Parish Clerk  
11/05/2020

Declaration of Interests Asked Cllrs to declare Declarations of Interests, as and when conversations arise.

County Cllr Connolly – Be Alert – regular updates will continue.

Cllr Chapman-Allen, Leader of Breckland District Council – Thanked Cllr Hewett & Cllr Turner and the whole of the Parish Council for efforts in overseeing the emergency response team to the COVID-19 situation. He gave an overview of current statistics and stressed how important the part of the Parish is. Suggested that Shipdham Parish Council maybe asked/tasked with making some welfare calls for those vulnerable on behalf of BDC. He spoke that £25m business grants had gone out of the door and the monies left, approx. £1.2m, would be used to support business not eligible first time round or ringfenced for business who need help to reopen. Gave an overall talk with regard to how Breckland is helping the District and how to sustain this for the future and develop further. He answered questions from the Council. Parish Council also thanked both District & County for their role in keeping the District going. Cllr Hewett also thanked Cllr Chapman-Allen who has led his team and their continuing support.

Tree Survey – noted and ask Roger Norton to quote for works in autumn. AP Clerk to initiate.

Shared Access Mast – approved additional operator for mast at Bullock Park - unanimous – AP Clerk to initiate

TTSR additional quote re Oak Meadow – approved monthly cut – unanimous – AP Clerk to initiate.

Nearby villages run red card scheme – in need or need help have red card in window. Stay as we are.

Shipdham News – Cllrs happy to help distribute. Advertisers have paid so run should go ahead, Shipdham Parish Council to make a contribution towards cost - unanimous cost to be approved depending on number of pages.

Clerk gave update on Watton Road allotments rented plot.

Ask Nocks to clear weeds along the heritage centre wall. AP Clerk.

Street Farm track – concerns were raised by Parishioner over the right of way for farm vehicles. AP Cllr Secker to speak to Parishioner.

Cllr Playford asked the Council if there were any objections to her placing a flower bed on the entrance to The Green, (area bald due to people parking). No objection from the Council.

Cllr Hewett thanked everyone for VE Day celebrations and confirmed VJ day was 15<sup>th</sup> August 2020.

Next virtual Parish meeting 8<sup>th</sup> June 2020 at 7.30pm – to be open to public. Meeting ended 8.50pm