



CHEVENING PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the telephone Council Meeting of Chevening Parish Council, held at 7.30pm on Monday 11th May 2020

Present:	Mr A Clark	Chairman – video
	Ms R Burgess	Councillor – video
	Mr N Clark	Councillor – video
	Mr A de Turberville	Councillor -video
	Mr J Eastwood	Councillor – video
	Mr J Firmager	Councillor - video
	Mrs L Weavers	Councillor – video
	Mr N Williams	Councillor - video
	Mrs J Hayton	Clerk - video
	Mr J London	SDC - video

Apologies	Mr J Branton	Vice-Chairman
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88. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillor Branton and duly accepted by the Chairman

89. Update on the Current Situation

The Clerk confirmed that there are currently 59 registered vulnerable people in the Parish. The Chairman asked if all vulnerable had a volunteer linked to them and the clerk confirmed that this was the case.

With the recent announcements there are potential concerns about parishioners becoming more vulnerable financially if the businesses they work for do not reopen or they are made redundant after furlough. This could be the next wave of need amongst parishioners in terms of food parcel help rather than the current situation of shopping and prescriptions for those who are self isolating

Cllr Firmager gave insight from his workplace which provides online tuition services for schools. Many schools are now looking at ways to deliver education to their pupils online looking at remote learning and setting and marking homework online. Cllr Eastwood confirmed this was the experience of his wife who works at Knole Academy

90. Correspondence received and future agenda items

a) Sports clubs

The Clerk confirmed she will be working with Cllr Eastwood to present the impact of substantially reduced sports club income for the financial year

b) Pub reopening

The Council debated the situation of the five different pubs in the parish should rules be relaxed to allow pubs to open but only where they have appropriate outside space. 4 of the 5 could operate on that basis as they have gardens. The Bricklayers Arms does not have a garden and the question was raised as to whether it would be permissible for them to use Chipstead Green as effectively their garden space.

The Chairman and Clerk will produce a letter to go to the Licencing Department at SDC asking what their opinion would be of allowing the use of Parish Council space and whether that would effectively have to be a licenced area as well. The Council stressed that this was not a request from the Bricklayers Arms themselves but the Council wishes to be on the front foot and potentially create a level playing field for all business and therefore have a response should they request use of the Green when restrictions start to be lifted

c) Recollections of the Crisis

The Chairman suggested that people should be encouraged to write down their experiences of the current situation and record with photos as well as in years to come people will find it hard to believe what day to day life like with lockdown and the amount of isolation people were dealing with, together with all the fantastic efforts of people helping out their neighbours. Cllr de Turberville confirmed this would be brilliant copy to include in the Chevening News

91. AOB

a) Bus shelter grant being applied for to go on Chipstead Corner

The Clerk confirmed a grant application had been received from KCC and she was completing the application to put a bus shelter on Chipstead Corner

The meeting closed at 20.10