

# MEPPERSHALL PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD VIA VIDEOLINK ON TUESDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2020

**PRESENT:**      **Councillors:** Chapman (in the Chair), Karslake, Merryweather, Morgan, Parsons and Standbridge  
                  **The Clerk:**      A Marabese  
                  **Others:**            None

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 7:00pm.

### 477. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs Magee, Read, Seaman, Thomason and Ward Councillors Brown and Liddiard.

### 478. CHAIRMANS ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. The Chairman thanked councillors for agreeing to conduct the meeting via recorded video link as a public meeting space was not available due to the COVID-19 pandemic. It was agreed by all that due to the current circumstances it would be unlikely that a legal challenge to the validity of the meeting would be upheld especially as it was to be recorded. The clerk also requested that a verbal response would be requested from each councillor for any resolution made.

### 479. MEMBERS INTERESTS

a. To receive declarations of interest from councillors on items on the agenda.  
None

### 480. PUBLIC SESSION

At this point the Chairman suspended Standing Orders to receive representations and questions from the public. As none were submitted Standing Orders were reinstated.

### 481. DELEGATION ARRANGEMENTS

a. To delegate authority for decision making (where that of the Full Council is not required by legislation) to the Clerk / RFO in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman until regular council meetings can be resumed after the Coronavirus / COVIS-19 pandemic.  
*Proposed Cllr Chapman/Seconded Cllr Merryweather. Resolved to delegate authority for decision making (where that of the Full Council is not required by legislation) to the Clerk / RFO in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman until regular council meetings can be resumed after the Coronavirus / COVIS-19 pandemic. Carried.*

### 482. CLOSE OF THE MEETING

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7:03pm

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