**PARISH OF CLYST HYDON**

Minutes of Clyst Hydon Parish Council Parish Virtual Parish Council Meeting

held at 7:00pm on 2 November 2020

Present: Cllr D. Mitchem – Chair (DM), Cllr Chris Jones (CJ), Cllr Steve Walton (SW), Cllr Chris Edwards (CE).

In attendance: Emma Gibbons (Clerk); C Cllr Ray Bloxham; C Cllr Sara Randall-Johnson;

Cllr E Rylance

1. **Apologies** – Due to technical issues BT was unable to participate in the meeting even though he was logged in.
2. **Risk Assessment** – Not required as virtual meeting.
3. **Declarations of interest/requests for dispensation** – DM declared an interest in the Ratclyffe Farm application.
4. **Minutes** - To receive and resolve to approve the Minutes of the last meeting as a correct record and signed by the Chairman – these were circulated to all members prior to the meeting. **RESOLUTION** – all agreed that they were correct.
5. **Open Session** – no members of the public present so session closed.
6. **County/District Councillor Reports** – Prior to the meeting Cllr Bloxham emailed a report on the number of Covid rate infections in the County – most rises relate to the University which have a robust test and trace system and maintaining social distancing; no problems with the supply of PPE – DCC keep well stocked; six school closures due to Covid – 90% attendance – the County have had to supply an additional 70 buses in order to maintain social distancing measures. Cllr Bloxham also emailed a report prior to the meeting in relation to a recent Police Liaison Committee meeting.

Cllr Bloxham updated the meeting on the Climate Change newsletter and a meeting on cyber crime. He further reported on the funding available for hardship loans for communities; food banks are still open and operating fully; CJ reported that the village is still linked in with the Broadclyst food bank; he further reported on the possibility of a Church food bank being put back in place.

Prior to the meeting Cllr Randall-Johnson provided briefing notes on the NHS plans for improving patient access to urgent medical care and also provided a report on the new system for patient record keeping.

Cllr Randall-Johnson reported to the meeting on the NHS requirements of using the 111 service should they need to attend A&E – her previous report on this has been circulated to members and placed on the village website. DM enquired about the Nightingale hospital – Cllr Randall-Johnson confirmed it is being used for diagnostic services – the Nightingale hospital is on a 72 hour notice period should it be required for Covid patients; she further reported that 41 people are currently in Exeter hospital with Covid as of 2 November 2020;

Cllr Bloxham reported on how the Universities have been dealing with the Covid situation – he reported that they have put in place strict social distancing measures and requirements to self-isolating if told to do so.

A full monthly report was sent by Cllr Bloxham prior to the meeting with an update on County Council matters. A full copy of all reports are available on request and are published on our village Facebook page.

Whilst the County and District Councillors were present at the meeting CJ took the opportunity to report on the Ratclyffe Farm planning application; he commented that the Parish Councillors had met with Highways to discuss the access issues; Highways indicated that they now saw the access as an issue and had subsequently not recommend approval on this basis; Cllr Rylance confirmed she has called in the planning applications as a whole and will advise the Parish Council once they are brought to the Planning Committee at EDDC. A further discussion took place regarding the concerns of this application – the Parish Council comments have been sent to EDDC Planning.

Cllr Rylance further reported on the food bank situation and the assistance this has provided to families particularly during the school holidays.

The County and District Councillors left the meeting at 19.32.

1. **Local Issues**

* and these had been widely complimented by the villagers and particular thanks to our District Councillors for giving us some funding for the purchase/installation.
* CJ reported on the Faranthayes flooding issues and has raised and logged this direct

with Highways; DM suggested cutting a larger whole in the hedge at the site which

will drain the volume of water.

* CJ further reported on the broadband issue – a temporary application for a mast on the Church tower has been put to the Parochial Church Council which has been

rejected; Voneus are now having to put in a faculty application which could take

several months.

1. **Highways** – CJ reported that the reported collapsed drain outside Twinnies should be repaired on 24 November 2020 but will check if this is still scheduled.
2. **Planning -** 20/1436/ful and 20/1437/lbc – Ratclyffe Farm - Internal and external alterations to curtilage listed barn for conversion to 2 no dwellinghouses and associated works. **Object.** Full comments submitted to EDDC and available on our website.
3. **Finance -** to resolve to agree the Receipts and Payments. Clerk expenses - £387.88 – **RESOLUTION -**.it was resolved to agree the monthly payments – proposer CE; seconder DM - all voted in favour. The bank balance as of 30 October 2020 is £5,979.31.

The Opus bills for the telephone box were discussed as they appear excessive for the amount of electricity they are supplying. The current cost is around £35 a month. It was suggested by SW to instal a solar panel and battery into the phone box – SW to review this further and report back to Council.

1. **Correspondence/matters arising since last meeting** – Flood Risk Management Strategy Newsletter circulated to members; East Devon District Council Coronavirus update circulated to members, website and Facebook page.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.12pm

1. **Date of next meeting** – Monday, 4 January 2020 at 7:00pm.