

Quidhampton Covid-19 Support Group

Minutes of the meeting of the steering group 19.00 on 28 September 2020 via zoom

Present: John Cater JC (community emergency volunteer); Ian Day ID; Hannah Newnham HN (secretary); Howard Rowley *HR (chair), Jane Taylor JT; Ken Taylor *KT (minutes, parish zoom facilitator); Bea Tilbrook BT (village communicator) *parish councillors

Apologies for absence – Zoe Hoare* ZH: Jane Morgan JM

The meeting was called to review the new government guidelines, announced 22/23 Sept, and establish any new actions arising.

A meeting with full agenda would be held 7pm Monday 5th October.

HR remarked on the increasing numbers of cases, giving more chance that people will have to isolate. The public should be encouraged to download the NHS Covid-19 App, just made available, as part of improvements to test and trace. The security of bluetooth was raised by ID but it was decided to concentrate on encouraging people to download the app and discuss bluetooth at the next meeting.

JT said she had detected some confusion with regard to new rules. People felt it was much clearer earlier in the year and one person said "I feel much more on my own now."

There was discussion about if or how people breaking the rules should be reported. **Item to go on next agenda.**

After discussion it was agreed:

- Given the likelihood of an increased need for support for villagers for shopping, collecting prescriptions and social calling, an email will be prepared to send to volunteers asking if they are still able and willing to do the duties they volunteered. There could be a need to pair people for shopping (one volunteer doing all the shopping for one villager) rather than allocate tasks to the first person to respond.

JC to prepare a draft with HN and JT and circulate it to the support group for comment.

Action JC/HN/JT

- HR to draft a note to include in the October village newsletter to reassure people that they are not alone, and the village Covid-19 group is still in place to give support. Contact details would be repeated in the newsletter.

Action HR, then BT

- A village email would meanwhile be sent to encourage downloading of the NHS Covid-19 App

Action BT

Date of next meeting: 19.00 Monday 5 October 2020