

Quidhampton Covid-19 Support Group

Minutes of the meeting of the steering group 19.00 on Monday 5th October via zoom

Present: John Cater JC (community emergency volunteer); Ian Day ID; Zoe Hoare* ZH; 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

1. **Apologies for absence** – Ian Day arriving late owing to a business commitment.
2. **Approval of the minutes of the previous meetings on 21st and 28th September**
Approved with no comments.
3. **Matters arising and actions agreed from previous meeting not elsewhere in the agenda**

21st September

4a. Report back to Parish Council; Not done. The item hadn't been put on the parish council agenda. **Action HR for the next PC meeting**

11a. Refresh volunteers' status; HN had circulated a draft. It was agreed that it should be sent out, and HN would collate the responses. **Action HN**

28th September

Note in the October Village Newsletter from PC chair; Not done. BT was complimented on the newsletter, which gave a reminder of the public of the group's support and contact details recognising that contagion was on the increase. BT added that 'reasons to be cheerful' had been well appreciated judging from the responses received following publication.

4. **Report from chair**

Nothing to report

5. **Community Emergency Volunteer**

JC : Nothing to report

JT : Afternoon teas from Silver Sunday, (the only activity possible from the usual Silver Salisbury fortnight of activities for older people) had been delivered to six housebound villagers by BT and JT. JT had sixteen phone conversations and twelve face-to-face meetings in the last two weeks. Non-Covid related update: one resident was noted to have gone to hospital and one had returned from convalescence.

6. **Committee members reports**

- a. **'Wiltshire together'** ; KT reported that liaison between Covid-19 support groups was being continued in a second online session on 21st October. Others from the group are invited to join. **Action KT**
- b. **Masks** : BT had circulated the group with a BBC guideline on using masks. Her proposal to circulate it via village email was agreed. **Action BT**
- c. **Breaking the rules.** How may the public report when seeing people breaking the rules and/or law? It was felt a village email was needed to provide clarity. HN undertook to do research and circulate the group . **Action HN**
- d. **Merits of Neighbourhood Watch(NW)** : KT had spoken with the police superintendent who gave reassurance that they see NW as an important partnership. He expected a call from the southern area coordinator this week. The meeting emphasised the importance of learning the role of NW in Covid, versus non-Covid times. **Action KT**

7. Problems and lessons learned

ID had seen US reports, considered inaccurate, on the survival of the virus. This would be discussed between ID and HR **Action ID/HR**

8. Consideration of updates from UK government or Wiltshire Council

Nothing new to report

9. Data Protection

Nothing to report

10. Training

Nothing to report

11. Any other business

A resident was known to be back in hospital, possibly seriously ill.

Date of next meeting: 19.00 Monday 19th October 2020