

Quidhampton Covid-19 Steering Group

Minutes of the meeting of the steering group 19.00 on Monday 17th January 2022 via Zoom

Present: Ian Day ID, , Hannah Newnham HN, Howard Rowley * HR (chair), Jane Taylor JT, Ken Taylor *KT (minutes), Bea Tilbrook BT) *parish councillors

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1. **Apologies for absence** - n/a.
2. **Approval of minutes** – The minutes for the meeting held on Monday 20th December 2021 were approved.
3. **Matters Arising** from 29th November meeting
 6. White Horse events were learned of later and had been emailed out to the village.
4. **Chair (HR)**

HR highlighted

 - that measures were unchanged. The government was aiming at declaring Covid endemic rather than pandemic.
 - Mask wearing and distancing was likely to continue to be recommended.
 - It was understood the White Horse continues with applying Covid precautions.
 - The parish council had met on Zoom as cases were rising (11th January). The PC sought ideas from the community for the village to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee – eg an event and some memento.
 - The village hall continues to apply Covid procedures.
5. **Volunteer coordinator's reports**

JT: there were no directly Covid-related matters to report. JT had made seven phone calls and received two, and had seven face to face encounters. Three of the more elderly or ill were mentioned – one being looked after by neighbours; one into hospital and one out of hospital and under care.
6. **Committee members reports**

HN mentioned cases amongst friends/aquaintances.
ID – reported that the Omichron variant was spreading quickly.
KT – mentioned that Wiltshire Council was giving a CEO/head of Public Health online briefing at 5.30pm tomorrow. (*Web link subsequently sent to the steering group members*)
BT – village email drafted to seek Jubilee ideas as requested by the parish council.
7. **Problems and lessons learned**
 - nothing to report
8. **Consideration of updates from UK government or Wiltshire Council**
 - Wiltshire council briefing – see 6 above.
9. **Data Protection** – nothing to report
10. **Training** -- nothing to report
11. **Any other business**
 - **JT** mentioned the wide range of ages in the village, notably the 99th birthday in February of the eldest resident

Date of next meeting: This was set for **19.00 Monday 7th February 2022**

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