



Goostrey Parish Council

The Village Hall
Goostrey
Cheshire
CW4 8PE

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 16th FEBRUARY 2021 at 6.00pm by VIDEO CONFERENCE

Present: Cllrs Morris (KM)(Chairman), Rathbone (TR)(Vice-Chairman), Beckham (NB), Lord (SL), Morgan (PM), O'Donoghue (IO'D), and Roberts (DR)

In attendance: Sharon Jones, Clerk to the Council

02.21.1. Declaration of Interests: There were no interests declared.

2. Apologies for absence: Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Ross, Sulej and Williams.

3. To consider a motion to allow the Village Hall to be used as a Polling Station for the Police and Crime Commissioner elections on 6th May 2021 - The Government has mandated that local elections must go ahead regardless of the Tier category of the area in which the elections and polling stations are located. See report in Appendix page A1.

Cheshire East Electoral Department has requested that we notify them whether or not the provisional booking made last year can be confirmed by 19th February 2021 at the latest.

Before voting on the motion, the Parish Council took into consideration that the school had confirmed they are able to accommodate the date without closing, that other venues in Goostrey are less suitable and that the appropriate health and safety risk assessments will be carried out and measures put in place to ensure that the COVID-19 Government Guidelines in force on 6th May 2021 will be adhered to. Cleaning will be carried out before, during and after the event to comply with COVID-19 Government Guidelines.

MOTION: Resolved - *The Parish Council resolved to accept the booking of the Village Hall on 6th May 2021 by Cheshire East Electoral Department for the purpose of providing a polling station for the Police and Crime Commissioner Elections, whether or not the Village Hall is open for business.*

Action: Clerk to ensure that all risk assessments (for the Village Hall and the Hirer) and contracts with the hirer are in place before 6th May 2021, and that appropriate PPE supplies and cleaning material are available for the event.

4. Date of Next Meeting: To confirm the date of the next Meeting – 23rd February 2021.

5. Closure of Meeting: The Chairman closed the meeting at 18:15.

Public Session

There were no members of the public present.

Minutes of the meeting remain draft until approved at the next meeting of the Council.