

UPLEADON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a virtual Zoom meeting of Upleadon Parish Council held on Thursday 15 October 2020 at 7.30 pm.

Present:- Cllr H Dunn (Chair), Cllr Mrs W Fabian, Cllr Mrs P Cooke, Cllr P Dallow, Cllr M Manning, Cllr Mrs P Turner, Cllr E Wood

There were no members of the public present

Public participation

There was no public participation

4.00 Apologies

Apologies were received from District Cllr P Burford

4.1 Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest

4.2 Business

4.2.1 To give consideration to response to Government White Paper consultation - Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government "Planning for the Future"

Following the Sub-group having submitted a draft response to the consultation to the Council for consideration, Cllr Dunn thanked the Group for its diligent work in its preparation. Cllr Manning proposed it be accepted as the Council's formal response. This was seconded by Cllr Mrs Fabian and unanimously agreed.

4.2.2 Cllr Manning requested that agenda item 3.3 be taken first - To give further consideration of Parish Council website amalgamating with Village website thus reducing web/email hosting costs and to compliance with WCAG 2.1 regulations and related costings thereto – prior to agenda item 3.2 To give further consideration to WCAG 2.1 Regulations compliance (required by 23 Sept 2020) following investigation of neighbouring Councils. This was agreed.

4.2.3 To give further consideration of Parish Council website amalgamating with Village website thus reducing web/email hosting costs and to compliance with WCAG 2.1 regulations and related costings thereto

Cllr Manning proposed that the Council retain its independence with regard to its website and that it does not amalgamate with the Village website. Cllr Wood seconded the proposal. A vote was taken resulting in 4 in favour 3 against and was carried.

4.2.4 To give further consideration to WCAG 2.1 Regulations compliance (required by 23 Sept 2020) following investigation of neighbouring Councils

The Clerk advised that following investigation of the neighbouring Councils of Corse and Hartpury as agreed at the last meeting both of them were in a different position to Upleadon in that their existing websites were not capable of being upgraded to take account of the new regulations and these Councils were looking at the possibility of obtaining new websites.

Some confusion arose with regard to making the Council's website compliant and Mr Cooke was asked to clarify the situation which he duly did. He explained that his intention as per the paper he submitted at the previous meeting, was to have made the Council's pages compliant had it transferred to the Village website and where the Council would have had editorial rights to edit such pages. He was not able to do this to the Council's existing website as the Council did not have the rights to change this, the rights of which belonged to the Company who supplied it.

Cllr Wood stated there was no choice in such matters now as the Council had just taken the decision to stay with its own website. He proposed that the Council's supplier of its website be asked to make it compliant to the WCAG 2.1 Regulations. This was seconded by Cllr Dallow. A vote was taken resulting in 4 in favour, 3 against and was carried.

This concluded the business of the meeting and it was declared closed at 20.08 pm