

**Minutes of an Extra Ordinary Meeting of Doddinghurst Finance and Resources Committee held via video conference at 11.00am on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2020**

**Present:** Cllrs. Mrs D Dicker (Chairman), Mr. G Smith, Mr A Farrow, Mrs J Le Page, Mr. M Capon, Mr A Smith.

The Reverend Ann Coleman attended to give an update on the Doddinghurst Community Support Group

1. **Declaration of Interests for topics on the Agenda.** None declared.
2. **Information and Resolved:** At the Full Council meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2020 it was agreed to allocate up to £5k to support those in greatest need in Doddinghurst as a result of the current Covid 19 pandemic. The responsibility for deciding how this would be allocated was delegated to the Finance and Resources Committee. This meeting was to decide how this will be allocated informed by the current work with the Doddinghurst Community Support Group
  - a. The committee discussed the allocation of funding with input from Reverend Ann Coleman who updated the group on the work of the Doddinghurst Community Support Group over the last 3 months. This group has been very successful so far in helping those locally who are shielding and isolated. Ideas were put forward but as the Government is on the cusp of starting to relax some of the lockdown restrictions it was decided that the group should wait and see where help can be best provided in the future as the community starts to return to some normality.
  - b. Cllr G Smith put forward a motion to delegate responsibility to the Chair and Vice Chair of DPC and where possible other members of the F&R committee for the distribution of adhoc awards up to the value of £5k. This motion was seconded by Cllr D. Dicker and voted and agreed by all present.

The criteria to be applied for awarding the adhoc awards was discussed and it was agreed that the Clerk will write to Blackmore Parish Council to explore how they are progressing support within the Parish of Blackmore, Hook End and Wyatts Green. The Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer will then advise the F&R committee.

The Council will send out a Thank You from DPC via the DPC website and DPC facebook page for all the hard work that the Doddinghurst Community have provided since the Covid 19 pandemic lockdown was announced by the Government.

**The meeting closed at 12.00**

**Minutes signed electronically ( due to Covid 19):**



**Date: 18<sup>th</sup> June 2020**