

## Minutes of the Broadwoodwidge Parish Council meeting,

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2020, 7pm

**Those in attendance on Zoom:** Cllr James (Chairman), Cllrs Perkin, Stratton, Nobbs, Hawken. Cllr Watson. Clerk.

**Members of the public present: 1**

**5169. Apologies for absence:**

Cllrs Crocombe, Wonnacott, Worden. County Cllr Parsons, PCSO James

**5170. Declaration of Interests**

The chairman declared that interests be raised as they arise.

**5171. Public Open Questions (Standing orders suspended during this session)**

The member of the public present wanted to give thanks to the volunteers from the parish that had been assisting those shielding during Lockdown.

**5172. Police Report**

**Software Updates... Why are they important?**

As your shiny new gadget ages, so does the software running on it. To ensure that devices run smoothly for as long as possible, manufacturers issue regular software updates, also known as 'patches', that add new features, improve performance and fix annoying bugs. However, the most important function of software updates is to fix vulnerabilities that compromise the security of your device.

**Using outdated software? You're leaving the door open for cyber criminals**

Cyber criminals use weaknesses in software and apps to attack your devices and steal your identity. Software and app updates are designed to fix these weaknesses and installing them as soon as possible will keep your devices secure. The few minutes it takes to download and install updates could save you a significant amount of time and trouble in the long run, reducing the risk of you falling victim to identity theft.

**Staying up to date is easier than you think.**

Software and app updates don't have to get in the way of what you're doing. You can choose to install them overnight when your device is plugged in to recharge or set your mobile or tablet to automatically update when you are connected to Wi-Fi. Information can easily be found about how to install these updates from Apple, Microsoft and Google, so check your devices now!

**From 30 March 2020**, MOT due dates for cars, motorcycles and light vans will be extended by 6 months to help prevent the spread of coronavirus.

You must always make sure your vehicle is safe to drive.

**[Further MOT information on www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)**

**5173. District Councillors Report**

TDC are doing well – the council has been rated no.9 out of UK councils for its response to Covid-19.

Dedicated officers are looking at grants for businesses. In four days, they issued £17.4million in grants.

There have been a few issues with refuse collection, but they are resolved very quickly.

**5174. County Councillors Report**

Cllr Parsons sends regular updates from DCC on a weekly basis, containing government information on the latest responses to the Covid-19 pandemic.

**5175. Council Meeting Minutes**

Minutes of the meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2020.

Proposed Cllr Hawken. Seconded Cllr Perkin. Carried nem.com.

**5176. Matters Arising**

Clerk to continue looking at defibrillator options and working on emergency plan submission.

**5177. To approve Risk Assessments and the Asset Register for 2020/21**

Proposed Cllr Hawken. Seconded Cllr Perkin. Carried nem.com.

**5178. To agree & sign the Certificate of Exemption for the Financial year 2020/21.**

Proposed Cllr Hawken. Seconded Cllr Perkin. Carried nem.com.

**5179. Annual Adoption of NALC Standing Orders & Financial Regulations for the Year 2020/21.**

Proposed Cllr Hawken. Seconded Cllr Perkin. Carried nem.com.

**5180. Councillors Code of Conduct – Councillors to agree that they continue to abide by the Code of Conduct as set out in 2018.**

Proposed Cllr Hawken. Seconded Cllr Perkin. Carried nem.com.

**5181. Accounts for Payment**

The council approved to pay the annual insurance renewal when it arrived, based on the figure being around the same as last years policy

Accounts proposed by Cllr Perkin, Seconded by Cllr Stratton. Carried nem.com

**5182. To Receive Correspondence**

A second homeowner has been reported as moved down in the time of movement restrictions. It has been reported to Holsworthy Police.

**5183. Chairman's Report**

Everyone is doing the best the can – the council will continue to operate to the best of its ability as allowed with current restrictions.

**5184. Clerks Report**

The clerk spoke to the council about funding received from TDC to help with Covid-19 issues within the parish. If any councillors hear of any ideas that could benefit the wider parish and help those isolated to please feedback the information.

**5185. Exchange of Information**

No information

**5186. The meeting closed at 19.35pm.**

