

**MINUTES FROM THE EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING ON THURSDAY  
19th MARCH 2020**

**HOPTON AND COTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**HOPTON VILLAGE HALL AT 2.30 p.m.**

**Present:** Cllr Gilbert (Chair), Cllr Brown-Bullivant (Vice chair), Cllr Brindley, Cllr Rogers, Cllr Wilkinson.

**Public participation:** there were no people in the public gallery but a journalist was present

**20/76 To receive apologies:** apologies were received from Cllr Wood and County Councillor John Francis

**20/77 To receive Declarations of Interest:** there were no Declarations of Interest

**20/78 To receive requests for Dispensations under the Localism Act 2011:** Every Councillor present requested a Dispensation. The absent Councillor had requested a Dispensation by email. The Dispensations were for Leave of Absence during the Corona Virus, should council meetings not take place for six months or more due to the meeting being inquorate.

**20/79 To consider and agree the minutes of the meeting on 4.3.20:** It was RESOLVED to accept the minutes. PROPOSED by Cllr Brown-Bullivant. SECONDED by Cllr Rogers.

**20/80 To discuss arrangements that the council would like to put in place concerning the Corona Virus including banking arrangements and the Annual Meeting of the council:** It was RESOLVED to communicate by email and telephone. We could have a conference call if necessary. The council will continue to pay invoices by cheque but the Clerk said that she would investigate online banking and increasing the signatories.

Item 20/21 was confidential and was for the authorisation of payments.

The payments were authorised

The meeting finished at 3.30 p.m.