

MAGOR WITH UNDY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Emergency Committee Meeting of Magor with Undy Community Council held remotely on Tuesday 12th January 2020 at 11.30am

COUNCILLORS: Cllr S Bailey (Chair), Cllr N Baicher, Cllr John Crook,
Cllr P Kirkham, Cllr K Plow, Cllr S Raggett

IN ATTENDANCE: Beverly Cawley – Clerk,

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81	Chair's Announcements The Chair advised that this Emergency Committee Meeting was called to discuss an issue and question raised by Cllr Carole Hopkins at the Ordinary Meeting on 11 th January 2021 that was not on the agenda and not due for discussion.
82	Clerk's Feedback The clerk wished it recorded, that although Council had resolved on 11 th January 2021 to discuss the below agenda item at a meeting of the Emergency Committee, it was the incorrect platform to do so. The purpose of the Emergency Committee was to discuss issues that had either direct financial, health and safety or operational implications for Council. The clerk did not consider that the issue to be discussed came under this category, and the matter should have been scheduled for the next Ordinary meeting, or an Extraordinary Meeting.
83	COVID-19 Vaccination Programme
83.1	To discuss an issue and question raised by Cllr Carole Hopkins (carried over from Ordinary Meeting 11th January 2021) about the performance of Welsh Government in relation to the distribution of the vaccine, and that very little specific information had been received. Cllr Hopkins asked that Council consider writing to Welsh Government expressing their concern. Members noted that this issue had been raised on an ad hoc basis, and that it had not been part of the scheduled agenda. Members noted the Clerk's comments, and agreed to discuss the matter, but to refer the matter and any decision to an Extraordinary Meeting of Full Council. Members noted the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• that updates were available daily on both the Welsh Government and Public Health Wales websites. Links to both of these were advertised on the Council's website

Home page. (The link to the weekly updates were shared to Councillors every Monday) Links had also been advertised several times via the Council's Facebook page, and shared to other local pages.

- that one of the more recent statements by Welsh Government stated that: *People are asked not to phone their GP, pharmacy or hospital asking when they will get a vaccine. When someone is in one of the groups eligible for the vaccine, they will be invited to attend a dedicated clinic which will have been set up to ensure patient safety and that of the healthcare professionals.*
- that information was available in respect of the priority list for the vaccine:
 1. *residents in a care home for older adults and their carers*
 2. *all those 80 years of age and over and frontline health and social care workers*
 3. *all those 75 years of age and over*
 4. *all those 70 years of age and over and clinically extremely vulnerable individuals*
 5. *all those 65 years of age and over*
 6. *all individuals aged 16 years to 64 years with underlying health conditions which put them at higher risk of serious disease and mortality*
 7. *all those 60 years of age and over*
 8. *all those 55 years of age and over*
 9. *all those 50 years of age and over*
- that additional centres were being opened to accommodate the vaccination programme, and that further deliveries of the vaccine were expected to all Welsh Health Boards and would be allocated in proportion to the size of it's priority population and ability to deliver (as outlined by the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation's prioritisation list).

Members acknowledged that front line staff and agencies appear to be doing their absolute best in the unprecedented circumstances dealing with changes and challenges as and when they happen.

Members were mindful that information and circumstances change daily.

Members requested that an Extraordinary Meeting be called for Monday 18th January 2021 at 7pm (to be followed by the scheduled Policy Workshop) to discuss the issue as raised by Cllr Hopkins.

MEETING CLOSED AT 12.15PM

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Chair/Vice Chair