



To all members of Loughton & Great Holm Parish Council, you are hereby **summoned** to attend an extraordinary meeting to be held on **Friday 27 March 2020 at 2.30pm** at the Community Centre, 87 Kensington Drive, Great Holm MK8 9AY.



Philip Compton
Clerk to the Parish Council

Agenda

FC226/20 Apologies: To receive and note apologies from members unable to attend the meeting.

FC227/20 Declarations of interest: Councillors to declare any personal or pecuniary interest they may have in respect of any items on the agenda, not already having been declared.

FC228/20 Public participation: resolution to exclude members of the public in the public interest on the grounds of government advice on public safety during the current national emergency, for this specific occasion only.

FC229/20 Delegation of Powers:

1. Due to the Corona virus/Covid-19 pandemic in the UK the Council **agrees** that it is not possible to safely hold public meetings of the Parish Council, until the pandemic is under control.
2. Consequently, and until Parliament passes the necessary new legislation, the Parish Council **resolves** to make extraordinary temporary measures to enable the Parish Council to continue to function. This is to apply only until such time as it is considered safe to hold meetings of the entire Council again.
3. The Parish Council shall hold monthly full Parish Council meetings and committee meetings by conference call from now on until it is safe to hold meetings again. **Such meetings shall be convened and held in accordance with standing orders save that they are by conference call and not in person.** Minutes will be kept in the usual way. Such conference call meetings shall be known as 'Shadow Meetings of the Parish Council or Committee'. These meetings are acknowledged not to be valid meetings under current legislation and hence will be shadow meetings of the Parish Council or Committee.

4. The Council therefore **resolves** that the Parish Clerk (Proper Officer) shall have the full delegated authority of all powers of the Council to make and implement all decisions made by the shadow meetings of the Parish Council or Committee including the power as to expenditure, to enter or terminate contracts, to employ or terminate staff or to exercise any other power of the Parish Council. The financial procedures are hereby amended in this respect.
5. For the avoidance of doubt however the Parish Clerk's powers provided under this resolution shall not enable the Clerk to do anything which is not authorised by the shadow meetings.
6. This resolution shall be reviewed if Parliament legislates with new enabling legislation for remote meetings and is only intended to apply until such legislation comes into force.

Date and time of Next Meeting: A meeting of the Shadow Full Council will be held on Monday 20/04/20 at 7.30pm by conference call, details as follows

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