

WRIGHTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

At the remote Meeting of the Parish Council (called under the provisions of the Coronavirus Act 2020, and The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020) of the Parish of Wrightington held on Friday 23rd April 2021 at 7.30 pm via the Zoom Platform the following were present:

Councillors: Mrs J Burton (Acting Chairman), Mr F Johnson, Mrs K Jukes, and Mr C House. Also present were members of the public

- 100. OUTCOME OF INFORMAL GRIEVANCE MEETING – Resolved - due to the sensitive nature of this matter, discussions will take place in the absence of the public.** A separate report on this matter will be provided to Parish Councillors.

The Chairman reported that in February 2021 the Parish Council received a grievance from the Clerk against Councillor Jukes. The Chairman and Acting Chairman took advice on how to deal with this matter and concluded that an Informal Meeting between the parties in front of a small committee comprising of 2 Parish Councillors and an independent party could help to resolve the issues raised. An Informal Meeting was held on the 7th of April 2021 and the Chairman had hoped that notes of that Meeting would be available to report tonight but they are not yet complete and will be circulated to all concerned when they are. It was reported that the Chairman felt that things will be put in place following this meeting which will benefit all concerned, and the Parish Council, as she felt that Parish Council Meetings had become unmanageable. She did confirm however, that tonight's meeting was a delight to Chair. It was confirmed that Parish Councillors also come under pressure in their role. Everyone present agreed that tonight's meeting was respectful, more controlled and more constructive. All Councillors will be provided with a copy of the Meeting notes once received. The Chairman thanked everyone for a good meeting.

(It will be necessary for the Parish Council to accept agreement of the notes, and any proposals or actions contained within them, once they have been received and distributed to Councillors)

Additional discussions closed at: 10.13pm