

# MINUTES OF MEETING

Minutes of the virtual **Extraordinary Full Council Meeting** of Ketton Parish Council held on  
**Wednesday, 13th January, 2021, at 7:30 pm**

**Present: Cllrs J. Rogers, S. Rogers, Wright, Cade, Forster, Southern, Andrew, Lyons, Philips, Couzens, & the Clerk**

**1. To receive and approve Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Robinson Warrington, Edis Payne, County Cllrs Karen Payne & Gordon Brown & approved

**2. To receive Declarations of Interest, Dispensations and Additions to Registers [Section 27 Localism Act 2011]**

None

**3. To meet County Councillor Alan Walters, Rutland County Council's Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care and Health, to discuss primary & secondary healthcare provision in Rutland and Stamford.**

Councillors welcomed Alan Walters to the meeting. Alan gave a presentation, about health matters in Rutland, outlining excellent working relations between our health and social care partners & well established Better Care Fund practices, with low levels of delayed transfer of care from acute hospitals. Rutland residents can expect (on average) to live a longer, healthier, happier, better-educated life, and to be safer than in most other authorities. The Clinical Commissioning Group is responsible for commissioning health services for all patients of registered practices in their area; so if you live in Rutland and are registered with a GP in Lincolnshire - then Lincolnshire CCG is responsible for commissioning your healthcare.

RCC has a degree of responsibility for "health and wellbeing" but does not commission health services nor hold the budget (other than very limited roles mostly around prevention, and combining health and social care). This is done largely through the Health and Wellbeing Board, which is a strategic body including Rutland County Council, Leicestershire Partnership Trust, CCG, Citizens Advice Rutland, Leicestershire Police, Healthwatch Rutland. RCC is responsible for the wellbeing of all residents in the County.

It is recognised that residents don't really know what the Health and Wellbeing Board have been doing for healthcare locally, or that actually we are in a good place and how health and care is integrating.

Residents may worry that there are plans they don't know about & the future infrastructure in Rutland itself, especially for community beds provision locally. Some residents, especially in Ketton, worry about who is responsible for their care if registered with a GP out of County, such as in Stamford.

C.Cllr Walters confirmed that there is an intention to create a vision for Future Health Rutland, with the Health and Wellbeing Board having oversight of the development. A sub group called the "Integration Delivery Board" will draw up plans & residents will have a say at an early stage and ongoing – methods are still being finalised but are likely to include part of the "Future Rutland" conversation (which may give overarching viewpoints), and the use of a resident engagement board. This will possibly be organised by Healthwatch Rutland, and likely to include many groups they are already working with.

Prior to the meeting cllrs received a report by Healthwatch Rutland concerning changes to health provision in Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland. The University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust consultation on reconfiguration of acute hospitals and maternity services ended on 21 December 2020, & this document provides a consolidation of the many questions and comments Healthwatch Rutland (HWR) has received during the consultation.

**4. Public Question Time**

There was one member of the public present.

Cllrs raised questions regarding Ketton resident's accessibility to services provided in Leicester, due to the difficulties of travelling to Leicester hospitals using public transport. 50% of residents in Oakham and east Rutland use Peterborough hospital, & their interests are not always best served by health services in Leics & Rutland. Issues highlighted included midwife & health visitor provision for mothers & children in Rutland, the ambulance service & the 111 service directing Ketton residents to Leicester hospitals. Many Ketton residents are registered with GP services in Stamford & concerns were also raised about the future provision of primary health care, with an expanding population locally due to new housing developments & increased patient numbers putting further pressure on available services & NHS difficulties in recruiting new GP's.

**5. Meeting close**

The meeting closed at 8.35pm