

Special Measures for Boughton under Blean Parish Council meetings in relation to Covid-19

Although most legal restrictions have been lifted and many people have been vaccinated, it is still possible to catch and spread COVID-19, even if you are fully vaccinated.

COVID-19 will be a feature of our lives for the foreseeable future, so we need to learn to live with it and manage the risk to ourselves and others.

As COVID-19 restrictions are lifted, it is important that we all use personal judgment to manage our own risk. All of us can play our part by exercising common sense and considering the risks. No situation is risk free, so we all need to understand the factors and settings that increase the risk of COVID-19 transmission and the actions that we can all take to reduce COVID-19 infection, both for ourselves and for others.

The government expects and recommends that people wear face coverings in crowded and enclosed areas where you come into contact with people you do not normally meet. To this extent, Boughton under Blean Parish Council Meetings will follow these guidelines

- There will be a maximum number of people allowed in the room at any time
- The Parish Council will keep a record of anyone attending the meeting and will keep the list for 21 days
- Sanitize and wear own mask
- You may remove your mask to speak
- The public will be asked to wear a mask throughout the meeting unless addressing the council
- Bring own refreshments as none will be provided
- When you arrive please move straight to your seat and do not gather to talk/chat with others
- To reduce the duration of the meeting inside, keep the meeting focused – you can hold personal conversations outside before or after the meeting
- Paper copies of documents will not be handed out to attendees. All paperwork will be circulated in advance of the meeting and attendees are expected to bring their own.
- The room will be ventilated by keeping doors and windows open where possible
- Anyone displaying symptoms, self-isolating or has recently tested positive should not attend the meeting