

BENSON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Benson Parish Council held on Tuesday 6th March 2018 at 8.15pm in the Parish Hall Committee Room

Present:	Cllr T McTeague	(CTM)	Chair
	Cllr R Jordan	(CRJ)	
	Cllr F Lovesey	(CFL)	
	Cllr P Murray	(CPM)	
	Cllr D Olley	(CDO)	
	Cllr T Stevenson	(CTS)	
	Cllr M Winton	(CMW)	
	Cllr R Workman	(CRW)	

Proper officer: Dianne Brooks (CLK)

MINUTES

- 1. Apologies:** Cllr P Baylis, Cllr S McCann,
- 2. Declarations of Interest** – There were no declarations of interest
- 3. Public Session** - two members of the public were present plus 4 prospective councillors: Mr John Murphy, Mr Bill Pattison, Mrs Claire Robinson, Mr Martyn Spence.

Suspend standing orders in order to lengthen the time available for the public session. **This was unanimously agreed.**

Each of the candidates, interested in joining the Council, were given up to 5 minutes to present to members and to ask questions. Members of the council also asked the candidates questions. Martyn Spence withdrew his application to stand as councillor offering instead help in other ways for example with the website and hall extension.

A closed session followed during which Council members fed back their observations to the Chair and the clerk collated the individual scores, awarded for councillor competencies as recommended by NALC (National Association for Local Councils), for the three remaining candidates. **It was unanimously agreed to Resume standing orders.**

- 4. To co-opt two new Council Members and the new Council Members to sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office. Benson Parish Council resolved to co-opt Mr Bill Pattison and Mrs Claire Robinson. This decision was unanimous.** Members welcomed the new councillors and both then signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

- 5. There were no items to note**



Dianne Brooks, Clerk

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