

MINUTES of the EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of
The DEVIOCK PARISH COUNCIL
held at the PARISH OFFICE on FRIDAY 6th JULY 2007 AT 6.30PM

PRESENT: Parish Cllrs. D. L. G Elliott (Chairman), R.J. Daniel (Vice-Chairman), G.K. Berncastle Mrs. M.Y. Byles, J. P. Candy, M. J. Crutchley, Mrs G. E. Hartland, & Mrs A. Robinson,

Public Participation Period There being no members of the public present, the Chairman waived the public participation period.

1. APOLOGIES: There were no apologies

2. TO DEBATE THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

2.1 that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable in the public interest that the public be excluded and that they are instructed to withdraw.

The Vice-Chairman **proposed** acceptance of the above resolution, this was **seconded** by Cllr. J.P. Candy and **agreed** unanimously by the Meeting.

3. CO-OPTION OF NEW COUNCIL MEMBERS:

3.1 To co-opt three new Council Members from the list of candidates who have asked to be considered and who are eligible to stand for office.

Cllr. J. P. Candy declared an interest as one of the candidates being considered was a close neighbour.

The Chairman read out the letters and e-mails from the five candidates who had offered themselves for co-option being: Mrs. Valerie Glastonbury, Mr. David Marshall, Mr. Scott Parry, Ms. Eileen Saville & Mrs. Marion Temlett. The Clerk stated that he had verified that all candidates were on the electoral roll and were eligible for office, subject to undisclosed exclusions.

The Vice Chairman suggested that the selection procedure for co-option should be by a majority vote.

After discussion the Chairman **proposed** that a vote by secret ballot should be taken with each councillor having three votes. In the event of a tied vote, the candidate with the least number of votes should be excluded and a second vote taken, the Clerk being delegated to count the votes; this was **seconded** by Cllr. J.P. Candy and **agreed** unanimously by the Meeting.

The Chairman stated that he would not be using a casting vote in this instance.

The secret ballot then took place and the results of the vote were announced by the Chairman, who stated that, in alphabetical order, the three candidates with the highest number of votes were: Mr. Scott Parry, Ms. Eileen Saville & Mrs. Marion Temlett.

The Chairman **proposed** that Mr. Scott Parry (Seaton Ward), Ms. Eileen Saville (Seaton Ward) & Mrs. Marion Temlett (Downderry Ward), be co-opted on to the Council, this was **seconded** by Cllr G. K. Berncastle and **agreed** unanimously by the Meeting.

The Clerk was instructed to write to candidates, informing them of the Council's decision with regard to their applications.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the Meeting at 19.00 hrs.