

Henstridge Parish Council

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Draft minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held at the Henstridge Village Hall Lounge on Monday 16th May 2010.

Present

Councillors: Mickey Vincent (Chair), Geoff Jarvis, David Nichols, Adam Temperton, Simon Cullum, Caroline Rowland, Jim Fitch

Clerk: Zöe Godden

There were 4 members of the public in attendance.

The meeting commenced at 7.01pm.

1. To confirm that a quorum is present.

The clerk confirmed that a quorum was present.

2. To elect a Chairman of the Council and receive the Chairman's declaration of Office.

RESOLVED: Adam Temperton was proposed and unanimously elected to the role of chair, and completed the declaration of Office form accordingly.

3. To suspend standing orders 1r, 2e and 2h.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to suspend the standing orders as detailed above.

4. Chairman to call for nominations to fill the three vacant seats.

There were six nominations: Sue Place, Carolyn Nicholls, Paul White, Stuart Little, Jenny Witches and Mike Petherham.

5. To either accept the nominations en bloc if there are three or less than three nominations or to vote for each of the vacant seats in turn by a show of hands or secret ballot as deemed appropriate.

19:19 – Caroline Rowland arrived at the meeting.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the method of voting for the new council members to fill the three vacancies. It was felt that the advice given by SALC contradicted the advice in the recommended text, 'Local Council Administration' by Charles Arnold-Baker. Geoff Jarvis asked the clerk to record that he wanted the council to be in a position of correctness.

19:32 – Mickey Vincent left the meeting.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed that each councillor should write down the names of the six nominees and select three as their choices to fill the three vacancies.

