

BADSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extra Ordinary meeting of Badsworth Parish Council held on Tuesday the 20th February 2024 at 6:00 pm, in the Lawson Hut, Main Street, Badsworth. WF9 1AF

Present: Cllrs Mrs M Cummings (Chair) G Ayre, A Garbutt.

Members of the public: Eight present.

In Attendance: A Woodhead, Interim Clerk

156/0224 Appointment of Chairman

RESOLVED Cllr Mrs M Cummings elected as Chair of Badsworth Parish Council.

157/0224 Chairman's and Councillors Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Declarations of Acceptance of Office completed, signed and countersigned by the interim Clerk.

158/0224 Chairman's and Councillors Register of interests

Registers of Interest were completed and returned to the interim Clerk.

159/0224 To receive and consider apologies for absence

None

160/0224 To declare any casual vacancies on the Parish Council

The interim Clerk stated that on the resignation of the former Chair a casual vacancy had arisen extra to those already notified to Wakefield Council.

161/0224 To receive any declarations of personal and/or prejudicial interests appertaining to the agenda under section 33 of the Localism Act 2011.

None

162/0224 To receive comments or questions from members of the public attending

Q. It was asked when the last vacancy came about.

A. (From a member of the public- 31st January 2024)

i)- It was noted that if parishioners wished to be co-opted to the Parish Council and those outnumbered the current 2 vacancies, Councillors appointed today would be happy to stand down to allow new members to sit on the Council.

Q. Noting the last Clerk had resigned what hand over has been undertaken.

A. Minimal handover has taken place, the interim Clerk has today received files, a printer and a computer. Access to all files extra to those publicly available has not yet taken place.

ii) It was stated that the current Council and interim Clerk have been appointed only to enable the Council to operate with a view to handing over to others as and when appropriate.

Q. Has the interim Clerk got access to the Councils website or/and Clerks e-mail?

A. No, hopefully this will be addressed in next week.

163/0224 To confirm the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting

RESOLVED To note the minutes of the Extra Ordinary meeting held on the 5th January 2024.

164/0224 The Parish Precept for 2024-25

a)- **RESOLVED** that the Precept for 2024-25 shall be set at £11,000.

b)-**RESOLVED** that the interim Clerk submit all paperwork to Wakefield Council as soon as possible.

165/0224 To consider the interim Clerks appointment

a)- **RESOLVED** that Andrew Woodhead be appointed as interim clerk in order to assist the Council until such time as permanent Clerk can be appointed.

b) **RESOLVED** that Andrew Woodhead's date of appointment was the 15th February 2024.

166/0224 To consider items for the next agenda

- a) Financial report
- b) Highway issues
- c) Co-opting of members (if any)

167/0224 Date and time of next meeting

RESOLVED that the next meeting shall be held on Tuesday the 26th March 2024 at 6:00 pm

Meeting Closed at 6:25pm