TYDD ST GILES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of Tydd St Giles Parish Council held in the Community Centre on Wednesday 31st May 2023

Present - Cllr T Brown (Chairman), Cllr B Allen, Cllr M Carter, Cllr K Malin, Cllr A Renshaw, D Gibbs (Clerk), 8 members of the public

Apologies for Absence - Lynn Slade

020/23 Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting. He explained that since the last meeting he and the Clerk had presented the Local Highway Improvement application for funding to install dropped kerbs at the junction of Broad Drove East and Newgate Road to the County Council's assessment panel and he was awaiting the outcome.

021/23 Urgent Items

None.

022/23 Membership of the Council

The Chairman reminded those present that a number of people had expressed an interest in joining the Council, but it had been agreed at the Annual Meeting to extend the process to allow everyone sufficient time to submit their candidate statements. From the original list of six or seven potential candidates, four had confirmed their wish to be considered. The Clerk explained that the members of the Council had received copies of each statement without the names or addresses of the candidates and that there would be a written ballot. The successful candidates must secure an absolute majority, for which more than one round of voting might be required.

Members discussed the four candidates. They noted the high quality of the candidates and the diverse backgrounds and experience they offered. Each candidate had particular strengths, making the decision especially difficult.

Members cast their votes, which were counted by the Clerk. Marcia Connell and Lynn Slade achieved the required majority and were duly co-opted onto the Council.

The Chairman thanked all four candidates for their interest and welcomed the two new members to the Council. Marcia Connell signed her declaration of acceptance of office in the presence of the Clerk. Members authorised Lynn Slade to sign her declaration on her return from holiday.

023/23 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Thursday 13th July at 7.30pm in the Community Centre.

The meeting closed at 7.55pm