

# Freckleton Parish Council

## Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2013

**Present:** Councillor, St J Greenhough (Chair)

Councillors, Mrs. L Willis, Mrs M Whitehead, Mrs S Delany, and C Robb.

- 1. Apologies:** Councillors L Rigby, T Fiddler and T. Threlfall. (another meeting), Keith McKay (funeral) and P Walton (pecuniary interest in one of the candidates)  
It was resolved that the reasons for absence should be accepted

- 2. Declaration of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

The Clerk informed the meeting that one Councillor had expressed concern that the meeting was being held on the same evening as an extra ordinary meeting being held at Fylde Borough Council. This was contrary to Standing order 1.c.

The Clerk pointed out that he had not been made aware of the FBC meeting until after the agenda for the Parish Council had been issued and because he had been on holiday he was unable to consider what action to take until Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2013. By this time he felt it was too short a notice to delay the meeting.

He also informed the meeting that under item 11.q of the Standing Orders, the Council may suspend any Standing Order (not printed in bold) by resolution in relation to any specific item of business.

It was resolved to suspend item 1.c of the Standing Orders (Meetings not to be held on the same evenings as the Fylde Borough Council meetings) for item 3 of this meeting.

- 3. To interview and appoint two co-opted members for the Council vacancies.**

The following applicants were interviewed:

Mrs. Norma Whalley,  
Mr. Craig Eckersley,  
Mrs. Jenny Cartmell,  
Mrs. Gillian Cowell,

The Chairman asked if the voting should be by show of hands or a secret ballot.

It was resolved to vote by secret ballot.

It was resolved that the following be co-opted onto the Council, both having received a unanimous vote.

Mrs. Jenny Cartmell - to represent the West ward

Mrs. Gillian Cowell - to represent the East ward

There was concern raised that having agreed on the candidates to be co-opted onto the Council that a further meeting was planned to ratify this decision.

The Clerk pointed out that this evening's meeting was legal because a quorum had been set. The decision cannot be overturned within six months unless 6 members submit a written notice for the decision to be reviewed. The decisions made were unanimous and only five members did not attend the meeting.

It was resolved that a meeting should not be held to ratify the candidates co-opted.

**There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting.**

Signed.....St. J Greenhough, Chairman.....

Date.....01/07/13.....