

# LONG MELFORD PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Offices, Cordell Road, Long Melford, Suffolk CO10 9EH  
Tel: 01787 378084 Email: clerk@longmelford-pc.gov.uk



## Full Parish Council EXTRAORDINARY MEETING MINUTES

Meeting called for: **7:00pm, Thursday 17<sup>TH</sup> March 2022**  
Location: **The Old School Community Centre, The Green, Long Melford, Suffolk CO10 9DX**  
Councillors present: **I. Bartlett, J. Ewbank, R. Kemp, L. Malvisi (Chair), C. Michette, R. Michette J. Nunn, S. Powell, L. Tipper, D. Watts, J. Watts**  
Councillors absent: **R. Delderfield**  
Also attending: **D. Lovelock (Parish Clerk), Three candidates for the rôle of Councillor**

**The Chair opened the meeting at 7:00pm.**

### **22/03E-1 PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

#### **(a) Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr Delderfield.

#### **(b) Declarations of Interest & Requests for Dispensation**

Cllr D. Watts declared an interest in that he is a friend and neighbour of one of the candidates.

#### **(c) MOTION: Exclusion of the Public and Press**

**Resolved**, that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for Agenda items 22/03E-2, 22/03E-3, and 22/03E-4 on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

### **22/03E-2 Motion: Co-Option of a Person to Fill a Casual Vacancy**

Three candidates for the vacant position of Parish Councillor attended the meeting, each for a separate session during which they were interviewed by the Councillors regarding their application for the rôle. A secret ballot was then conducted by which each Councillor voted for their preferred choice of candidate for co-option.

**Resolved**, that by a majority vote Mr Ben Joyce is selected from among the candidates to be the person to whom the vacant position of Parish Councillor is offered.

**Resolved**, that upon the Clerk receiving Mr Joyce's signed Declaration of Acceptance of Office then Mr Joyce shall become a Councillor of Long Melford Parish Council by co-option.

### **22/03E-3 Motion: Nomination of Torch Bearer**

**Resolved**, that subject to her acceptance of the rôle the Council nominates Mrs Jayne Lines to be the torch bearer for Long Melford's participation in the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration Torch Relay.

### **22/03E-4 Motion: Civic Awards**

**Resolved**, that the Council shall make the following Civic Awards to members of the community.

- Mr Robert Simpson – A Community Award for providing a significant contribution to the Long Melford Community.
- Mrs Jayne Lines – A Special Award for making an exceptional contribution to the Long Melford Community.

**There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 8:05pm.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**L. Malvisi**  
Chair, Long Melford Parish Council

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

7 / 04 / 2022