## Harby Parish Council Minutes Extra-Ordinary Meeting

Thursday 09<sup>th</sup> June 2016 at Harby Village Hall

<u>Councillors Present:</u> Caroline Nolan (CN), Stuart Parkin (SP), Diane Quibell (DQ) and Rachel Thursby (RT). Cllr Dobson (NSDC and NCC). <u>Clerk</u>: Lydia Smithson.

Item	Title and Decision	Action Required
107/16/1	Apologies for absence	-
	Cllr Howard, Cllr Rose, Cllr Medley.	
107/16/2	Declarations of Interest	-
107/16/3	Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the Council <u>resolved</u> to go into closed session in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 for item <b>107/16/3</b>	
	Consider and respond to a complaint regarding the process undertaken by the Council to fill the latest Casual Vacancy.	
	The Council considered and responded to the questions made by a parishioner regarding the process undertaken to fill the vacant Councillor role.	LS supply the Council response to the parishioner.
	The Council followed the SLCC (Society for Local Council Clerks) guidance. The District Council (NSDC) and the District and County Councillor Maureen Dobson have been satisfied with the process undertaken; therefore the co-option of the new councillor stands.	
	The original Casual Vacancy notice was displayed in a public place on the parish notice board as per statutory guidance. It was not on the Council website due to the website being moved over from the NSDC site to the new Hugo Fox site at that point.	
	Confirmation was received from NSDC to proceed with a co- option on the 22 <sup>nd</sup> March, as 10 electors had not written to NSDC request an election. The second notice was posted on the notice board and on the new website following it being made live.	
	The resignation of Richard Croft was minuted at the next ordinary Council meeting which was on March 17 <sup>th</sup> - A councillor is not required to provide reasons for their resignation.	
	The Council does not accept the criticism of the Chairman by the complainant.	

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Cllr Maureen Dobson stated she does not have concerns with Harby Parish Council.	
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