

**PEVENSEY PARISH COUNCIL**

The Minutes of the COUNCIL MEETING held on 1st August 2017 at St. Wilfrid's Church Hall, Pevensey Bay, commencing at 6.45 pm

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**Present:** Councillors Brookbank, Beaney, Slater Pursglove, Withey, MacKinnon, Burton, Hills, Beck, Rabbits and Peasgood

Prospective co-optive Councillors Kate Colbran, Mandy Cracknell and Joanna Garrard

**Apologies**

Cllr Lowton

Cllr. Hills proposed a motion to waive Standing Orders, seconded Cllr Burton  
All Agreed.

**Election of a Co-optive Councillor**

**Kate Colbran** gave a brief background of her connections with Pevensey and Westham. She currently runs a small business in Westham and the community based salon gives a strong link to the villages. She has a son being brought up in the area and keeps her horse locally. She already supports local events and would like to become more heavily involved.

**Mandy Cracknell** confirmed she has been resident in the area for 15 years and many of her family have followed her down to the area. Her family connections mean that she is often involved in community affairs. Her role as a Parking Manager at both Horsham and ESCC has given her experience of dealing with assertive people and she is well aware of what questions to ask to get the best out of people. She is also well aware of the business processes in private and public life.

**Jo Garrard** currently runs Vines Flowers in Westham and this business has evolved into a hub of the community with help being given to parents, elderly and needy. She is passionate about the area and would like to see a return of community events such as stoolball and markets but with a modern twist.

An initial vote left Jo Garrard with 5 votes and Kate Colbran and Mandy Cracknell with 3 each. This meant that a further vote to rule out one of the two "runners up" was held with Mandy Cracknell being taken out of the competition.

A final vote made Jo Garrard the clear winner and she was duly asked to take her place at the Council meeting. She signed the Declaration of acceptance of office.

Chairman Brookbank thanked the unsuccessful applicants for their attendance.

Cllr Withey proposed a motion to reinstate Standing orders seconded by Councillor Burton.

The meeting was closed at 7.15 pm

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