



TOWN COUNCILLOR CO-OPTIONS

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 45/13

17 JUNE 2013

The purpose of this report is to inform Members of the recommendations for co-option from the Interview Group appointed for that purpose and to invite their formal adoption.

No. DETAIL

1) INTRODUCTION

- a) As Members are aware, the Town Council elections of 3 May left two vacancies, one each in St Lawrence and Ventnor West.
 - b) At the Town Council's Annual Meeting of 13 May, Minute 69/13 gave the Town Clerk Authority to implement the appropriate policy for co-option to those vacancies.
 - c) Minute 77/13 of the Town Council Meeting of 20 May adopted the Town Clerk's proposed timetable for the process and appointed an Interview Group of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor together with Councillors Leigh Geddes, Jim Toogood and Brian Lucas.
 - d) Formal notices of the vacancies were displayed on the Central Car Park Noticeboard and advertisements placed both in the South Wight Chronicle and on On the Wight.
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2) THE PROCESS

- a) By the advertised deadline of noon on Wednesday 5 June, four Expressions of Interest had been received.
 - b) Interviews with each of the four took place on the evening of Wednesday 12 June.
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3) RECOMMENDATIONS

- a) The Interview Group unanimously recommends that Ed Gouge be co-opted to the vacancy for St Lawrence and Chris Welsford be co-opted to the vacancy for Ventnor West.
 - b) The Town Council is recommended to make those appointments accordingly.
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