

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS TO FOULNESS ISLAND PARISH COUNCIL

1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report invites the Council to appoint, on a temporary basis, to Foulness Island Parish Council to enable the work of the Parish Council to continue whilst it is inquorate.

2 DISCUSSION

- 2.1 Section 91 of the Local Government Act 1972 provides that a District Council can appoint to a Parish Council, on a temporary basis, to enable the work of a Parish Council to continue when it is inquorate. This can be achieved by way of an Order under the Local Government Act appointing District Council Members to act as Members of the Parish Council.
- 2.2 The Clerk of Foulness Island Parish Council has advised that the Parish Council is inquorate and has asked the District Council to appoint three persons until such time as vacancies can be filled by the Parish.
- 2.3 Reaching a solution to this situation is the responsibility of the Parish Council. Whilst strictly speaking only two District Council appointees are required, the Clerk to the Parish Council is asking if the District could appoint three persons for resilience purposes.
- 2.4 The Parish Council is intending to adjourn its Annual Council meeting scheduled for Wednesday, 20 May 2015 and to reconvene at 8.00 pm on Wednesday, 17 June when it is hoped that the District Council appointees will be able to be present. If the next stage of the process for becoming quorate follows the Parish Council's anticipated time frame District Council appointees would need to attend a final meeting of the Parish Council in mid July 2015.

3 RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 It is proposed that Council **RESOLVES**
- (1) To nominate three District Council Members to serve on Foulness Island Parish Council to enable the work of the Parish Council to continue whilst it is inquorate.
 - (2) That, under Section 91 of the Local Government Act 1972, an Order be made appointing the three nominees to Foulness Island Parish Council until such time as the Parish Council has re-established a quorum.



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Background Papers:-

None.

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