

**Meeting held March 5<sup>th</sup> to co-opt a resident of the Parish to the vacant seat on the Town Council.**

**Present: Cllrs. Hinchliff, Mrs. Hinchliff, Hayler, Saunders, Kimberley, Unsworth, Marsh, Hand – Davis, Chadburn, Millner, Mrs. Millner and Cutts.**

**Also present the Town Clerk K. Coulton.**

The Town Clerk stated that the vacancy had arisen through the resignation of Jan Stanley and had been declared vacant to Barnsley M.B.C.

As no poll had been claimed by ten electors to call a bye-election within the 14 days of the public notification of the vacancy, the Town Council could fill the vacancy by co – option as the vacancy has more than six months to run.

Three applicants had written to the Town Council expressing an interest in the vacancy.

Michael Barraclough, Hannah Kitching and Steven Webber.

The three candidates were interviewed individually in alphabetical order and asked the same questions.

Members present by means of a secret ballot voted for their preferred candidate.

The votes were counted and it was resolved by an absolute majority the successful candidate being Steven Webber.

Mr. Webber accepted the role as Town Councillor.

Signed.....Mayor 19/03/18