



Minutes of the Special Town Council meeting held on Tuesday 6th February 2024 in the Cowie Room at the Public Hall, Beaminster at 6.30pm

2941 PRESENT – Cllr Monks (Chairman), Cllr Body, Cllr Dawkins, Cllr Corbett, Cllr Goode, Cllr Gunning, Cllr Turner and Cllr Woods; also Mrs C Bright (Town Clerk).

2942 APOLOGIES – Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Anderton and Cllr Beswarick

2943 HONORARY TOWNSPERSON

In accordance with its previously agreed procedure and criteria the Town Council considered three nominations received as follows:

1. Mr Peter Brooks

The nomination had been initiated by Mr John Watts, supported by four local residents.

The nomination made reference to Mr Brooks valuable voluntary service to the community, in particular, his significant contributions to the founding of Abbeyfield House, St Mary's Church, Royal British Legion, the former Chamber of Trade, Yarn Barton Community Centre and Beaminster Festival.

Council **RESOLVED** that Mr Peter Brooks be made an Honorary Townsperson of Beaminster.

2. Ms Paula Tuff

The nomination had been initiated by Mrs Wendy Wallbridge supported by four local residents.

The nomination made reference to Ms Tuffs valuable services to the young people of the town and their families through difficult times through her connections with the Beaminster Schools and her dedication to the Prout Bridge Project.

Council **RESOLVED** that Ms Tuff be made an Honorary Townsperson of Beaminster.

3. Mr John Groves

The nomination had been initiated by Rev. David Baldwin, supported by four local residents.

The nomination made reference to Mr Groves dedication to the 'Beaminster Charities' Trust co-ordinating the distribution of Christmas hampers, his valuable services to both the Football and Cricket Clubs and his contribution to the Beaminster Community Centre Partnership for the new pavilion.

Council **RESOLVED** that Mr Groves be made an Honorary Townsperson of Beaminster.

The Town Clerk was authorised to make all necessary arrangements for a presentation ceremony to take place on a date to be advised.

2944 MEETING

The meeting which started at 6.30pm ended at 6.55pm.

Chairman
26th March 2024