

**Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Town Council held at the Town Hall, Rye,  
on Monday 9 November 2009**

**PRESENT** Councillors Granville Bantick, John Breeds (**Deputy Mayor**),  
Bernardine Fiddimore, Lorna Hall, Sonia Holmes, Jo Kirkham, Paul  
Osborne, Shaun Rogers, David Russell, Mary Smith, Sam Souster  
(**Mayor**), David Wright

**IN ATTENDANCE** Richard Farhall - Town Clerk; Andy Hemsley – *Rye Observer*;  
7 members of the public

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*The meeting commenced at 6.30*

**87 APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence – and the reasons logged with the Clerk – were accepted from  
Cllrs Jonathan Breeds, Brian Elliott and Frank Palmer.

**88 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**89 POWER OF WELL BEING**

**RESOLVED 1 To adopt formally the Council’s Community Engagement  
Statement of Intent, which was circulated for comment on 16 September  
2009 and uploaded to the Council’s web site on 21 September 2009.**

**RESOLVED 2 To note that the prescribed conditions for exercising the  
Power of Well Being have been met – specifically:**

- (i) **A minimum of two-thirds of vacancies on the Council were filled  
at the last ordinary elections (May 2007);**
- (ii) **The (Qualified) Clerk is now trained in the use of the power –  
having passed Section 7 of the Certificate in Local Council  
Administration;**
- (iii) **All Councillors have been trained in the use of the power  
(minimum requirement: 80% of councillors);**
- (iv) **The Council has published (on 21 September 2009) a statement of  
community engagement**

**RESOLVED 3 To confirm that the Council is now eligible to exercise the  
Power of Well Being until the day before the 2011 Annual Meeting of the  
Council.**

**90 URGENT ITEMS**

There were no urgent items to consider.

*The meeting ended at 6.32*

Date ..... Chairman .....