

HISTON EXTRA ORDINARY PARISH MEETING

Minutes of meeting held at Histon & Impington Recreation Ground Centre, New Road, Impington
Friday 14th October 2011 7.30 p.m.

Present: Histon Electors: 55 residents; Impington Electors: 56; Others: 4

The Parish Meetings were held concurrently for only the second time in 117 years, the first being the Annual Parish Meeting in May 2011. The Chairmen of each Parish Council welcomed all to the meeting. Max Parish, Chairman Histon Parish Council, had called the Parish Meeting and took the Chair

1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Rob Plumbly, Janet Houghton, Paul Malpas, Hilary Knightly, Sula Armstrong, Will Russell. All of whom indicated they were **in favour** of the motion tabled. Also Alan Eade.

Impington Parish apologies for absence were also recorded from: Hooda Abdullah, Maureen Hazelden, Tim Ewbank, all **in favour** of the matching motion on the Impington agenda. Apologies also reported from Philip Biggs who was **not in favour** on the basis he felt it would lead to identity of Impington becoming diminished

2 **UP-DATE ON PUBLIC CONSULTATION CLOSED 19 SEPTEMBER 2011 and OPEN MEETING HELD 22 SEPTEMBER 2011**

Cllr Parish outlined the results of a consultation undertaken jointly by the Parish Councils showing votes of those that voted: **Yes – 472; No – 32; Other – 8**. A map showing these results was available from the Parish Council on request (**Appx 1**). The number of “yes” and “no” votes were broadly spread across the 2 villages. A public meeting had been held 22 September with a question and answer session, attended by 20+ residents. The Parish Meeting now called, on proper notice, was to vote on a resolution to request South Cambs District Council to proceed to pass an order to group the Parish Councils of Histon and Impington under a common Council.

3 **RESOLUTION: “THAT SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL BE REQUESTED TO PROCEED TO PASS AN ORDER UNDER SECTION 11 OF THE 1972 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT TO GROUP THE COUNCILS OF HISTON AND IMPINGTON TO CO-INCIDE WITH THE ELECTION TIMETABLE, MAY 2012”**

Max Parish read the Resolution to the meeting and invited questions. An elector asked whether the grouping would re-categorise Histon and Impington into a town? Max Parish confirmed this would not be the case. Another elector asked whether the grouping would affect the Council Tax? Max Parish advised this was unknown. Put to the vote, of those that voted all were in favour, there were no votes against or abstentions. **Motion therefore carried** and Parish Council would be asked to prepare the case for a grouping request, together with Impington Parish Council. A mirror resolution to the Impington Parish Meeting followed

The meeting was reminded of a meeting to be held 18 October at IVC to discuss conversion to Academy Status.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and looked forward to the next stage of a historic situation for the 2 villages

Meeting closed 7.45 p.m.