



**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE  
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICHESTER HELD IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOM  
AT THE COUNCIL HOUSE, NORTH STREET, CHICHESTER  
ON WEDNESDAY 10 MAY 2017 AT 6.00PM**

PRESENT : The Mayor (Councillor Budge)  
Councillors Apel, Bell, Dignum, M Evans, P Evans, T French, Galloway,  
Kilby, Plowman, Scicluna, Sharp and Tupper

APOLOGIES : Councillors Dempster, J French, Holman, Joy, Keyworth and Macey

IN ATTENDANCE : Town Clerk, Administration Manager and Macebearer

**1 ELECTION OF MAYOR 2017/2018**

The Mayor, Councillor Budge in the Chair for this item only.

It was moved by the Mayor and seconded by Councillor Scicluna and unanimously

RESOLVED that Councillor Peter Evans be and is hereby elected Mayor of the City until the date of the next Annual Meeting and that the allowance to be paid to him be at a rate of £4,000 per annum (exclusive of additional allowances already approved).

The new Mayoress, Councillor M Evans was invested with her Chain of Office by the retiring Mayoress.

**2 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE BY MAYOR**

Councillor P Evans in the Chair.

Councillor P Evans having been invested with the Chain of Office and presented with the Mayor's Ring and Gold Snuff Box then made and subscribed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

**3 APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR 2017/2018**

It was moved by Councillor Kilby, seconded by Councillor Apel and unanimously

RESOLVED that Councillor Martyn Bell be and is hereby appointed Deputy Mayor of the City until the date of the next Annual Meeting.

The Deputy Mayor's Badge and Walking Stick were presented to Councillor Bell and the Deputy Mayor's Consort Badge would be presented to Mrs Toom Bell after the ceremony.

4 ELECTION OF BAILIFF 2017/2018

It was moved by Councillor Galloway, seconded by Councillor Tupper and unanimously

RESOLVED that Councillor Jane Kilby be elected Bailiff of the City until the date of the next Annual Meeting.

The Bailiff's Badge of Office and Walking Stick were presented to Councillor Kilby.

5 TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE RETURNING OFFICER UPON THE BY-ELECTION TO THE CHICHESTER CITY (PARISH) WEST WARD HELD ON THURSDAY 4 MAY 2017

The Mayor advised that Leslie Hixson was duly elected at the By-Election held on Thursday 4 May 2017 to represent the West Ward of the City. Mr Hixson was currently unable to sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office by would do so before the next Full Council meeting in June 2017.

6 MINUTES OF COUNCIL

It was moved by the Mayor, duly seconded and RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 14 April 2017 having been printed and circulated be approved, adopted and signed as a correct record subject to the following amendment :

Minute 77 A27 Latest Position

Third paragraph to be amended with the addition of the word 'not' in the last line; therefore the paragraph reads :

The Deputy Mayor would speak to individual members and ask them to seek their community's views and to report back to him. It was considered that because of the size of Chichester parish, a Public Meeting would **not** be an appropriate platform for individuals to express their views.

7 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor informed Council that the Reverend Canon Simon Holland of St Paul's Church, Chichester would be his Mayor's Chaplain until the date of the next Annual Meeting and that the Mayoral Charities for the year would be PACSO Parents and Carers Support Organisation and St Wilfrid's Hospice for Carers Support as he wished to raise the profile of carers in the community.

8 VOTE OF THANKS TO RETIRING MAYOR

The Mayor proposed a Vote of Thanks to the Retiring Mayor, Councillor Peter Budge, and thanked him and Mrs Philippa Budge for upholding the office of Mayor for the past two years in an enthusiastic manner.

The retiring Mayor was presented with a Past Mayor's Badge by the Mayor and the retiring Mayoress was presented with a Past Mayoress Brooch.

Councillor Budge thanked the Mayor for his kind words and said he had enjoyed his time as Mayor and had learnt many things about the City and how it revolves around community groups and volunteers. He also thanked his wife, Philippa, for her support during the mayoralty. He had valued the support given to him by the Mayor's Chaplain to which he presented a commemorative bowl.

Councillor Budge presented a cheque in the sum of £1,315.34 to Mr Richard Hancock of the Chichester Boys Club and also to Mr Sam Harding of the Drop-in Centre. During his two mayoralties a combined total of £10,230 had been raised for these charities.

9 COMMON SEAL

RESOLVED that the Common Seal be affixed to any documents necessary to give effect to the resolutions passed at this meeting.

The meeting closed at 6.25pm.