

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICHESTER HELD IN THE GUILDHALL, PRIORY PARK, CHICHESTER ON WEDNESDAY 16 MAY 2018 AT 6.00PM

PRESENT : The Mayor (Councillor P Evans)

Councillors Apel, Bell, Budge, Dignum, M Evans, T French, Galloway,

Keyworth, Kilby, Plowman, Scicluna, Sharp and Tupper

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

IN ATTENDANCE : Town Clerk, Administration Manager and Macebearer

1 ELECTION OF MAYOR 2018/2019

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

It was moved by Councillor Dignum and seconded by Councillor Apel and unanimously

RESOLVED that Councillor Martyn Bell 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, Mrs Toom Bell was invested with her Chain of Office by the retiring Mayoress, Councillor M Evans.

2 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE BY MAYOR

Councillor Bell in the Chair

Councillor Bell 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 2018/2019

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

RESOLVED that Councillor Trevor Tupper 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 Tupper and the Deputy Mayor's Consort Badge would be presented to Mrs Monica Tupper after the ceremony.

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4 ELECTION OF BAILIFF 2018/2019

It was moved by Councillor Keyworth, 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 MINUTES OF COUNCIL

It was moved by the Mayor, duly seconded and RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 25 April 2018 having been printed and circulated be approved, adopted and signed as a correct record.

6 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor informed Council that Canon David Nason would be his Mayor's Chaplain until the date of the next Annual Meeting and that the Mayoral Charities for the year would be Stonepillow and the Oxmarket Centre of Arts.

The Mayor explained that today's Mayor Making Ceremony in the Guildhall, Priory Park was recreating an ancient tradition that had ceased in 1835 when the Mayor Making Ceremony relocated to the Council House in North Street. Also, Mayor Making in the Guildhall was part of the Priory Park 100 event commemorating the hundred year anniversary of the 7th Duke of Richmond and Gordon gifting Priory Park to the citizens of the City in memory of those who had given their lives in the First World War.

7 VOTE OF THANKS TO RETIRING MAYOR

Councillor T French proposed a Vote of Thanks to the Retiring Mayor, Councillor Peter Evans, and thanked him and Councillor Margaret Evans for giving encouragement to all those they had met during more than 300 mayoral engagements.

The retiring Mayor and Mayoress were presented with their Past Mayor's Badge and Past Mayoress Badge by the Mayor.

Councillor P Evans said he and wife had had an enjoyable year meeting the many people in the community who give their time for others. He had been particularly honoured to have met Her Majesty the Queen and an Astronaut. Councillor P Evans had valued the support given to him by the Mayor's Chaplain to whom he presented a commemorative paperweight.

Councillor P Evans presented a cheque in the sum of £2,201.39 to Val Evans of PASCO and another cheque in the sum of £2,201.39 to Alison Moorey of St Wilfrid's Hospice.

8 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 6.30pm.

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