

LEOMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Leominster Town Council Mayor Making Ceremony meeting held on Saturday 11th May 2019 commencing at 19:00 hours in The Priory, Church Street, Leominster HR6 8NH.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Bartlett, Davies, Herschy, Marsh, Murdoch, Norman, Rumsey, Thomas, Smith-Winnard, Sutcliffe and Williams.

OFFICER PRESENT: Town Clerk.

Prior to the formal commencement of the meeting, the outgoing Mayor of Leominster, Cllr Jenny Bartlett, presented Civic Awards to the following recipients for their invaluable contribution to Leominster:

- Pauline Davies
- Gill Ding

Cllr Bartlett then gave a short speech outlining work undertaken throughout the year and the mayoral appointments attended. She formally thanked all those who had supported her throughout her mayoral year.

01/19 ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR FOR THE 2019/20 CIVIC YEAR

Nominations were invited for the position of Mayor.

Cllr Clive Thomas was proposed by Cllr Rumsey and seconded by Cllr Marsh. No other nominations were received.

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that Cllr Clive Thomas be elected Mayor of Leominster for 2019/20.

Following election, the outgoing Mayor, Cllr Bartlett, and the newly elected Mayor, Cllr Thomas, left the Chamber to exchange Mayoral Robes and the Chain of Office.

02/19 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Council **RECEIVED** Cllr Thomas's Declaration of Acceptance of Office as the newly elected Mayor of Leominster.

03/19 ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE 2019/20 CIVIC YEAR

Nominations were invited for the position of Deputy Mayor.

Cllr Rumsey was proposed by Cllr Thomas and seconded by Cllr Sutcliffe. No other nominations were received.

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that Cllr Rumsey be elected Deputy Mayor of Leominster for 2019/20.

Following election, the newly elected Deputy Mayor, Cllr Rumsey, left the Chamber to robe and put on the Deputy Mayor's Chain of Office.

04/19 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Council **RECEIVED** Cllr Rumsey's Declaration of Acceptance of Office as the newly elected Deputy Mayor of Leominster.

05/19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Rosser and Williamson.

06/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest made.

07/19 APPOINTMENT OF THE MAYOR'S CONSORT

The Mayor informed the meeting that his Consort for 2019/20 would be Mrs Judy Thomas.

08/19 APPOINTMENT OF THE MAYOR'S CHAPLAIN

The Mayor formally invited Rev'd Prebendary Kneen to be the Mayor's Chaplain for 2019/20. Rev'd Prebendary Kneen accepted the appointment.

09/19 APPOINTMENT OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS AND MACE BEARERS

The Mayor formally invited Mr Mick Meredith, to hold office as Sergeant at Arms for the year. Mr Meredith accepted the appointment.

The Mayor formally invited Mr Frank Barber and Mr Kenneth Jones to hold office as Mace Bearers for the year. Both Mr Barber and Mr Jones accepted the appointment.

10/19 APPOINTMENT OF THE CIVIC ALE TASTER, FLESH TASTER AND BREAD WEIGHER

The Mayor formally invited Mr Alan McEwen to hold office as Official Ale Taster for the year. Mr McEwen formally accepted the appointment.

The Mayor formally invited Mr John Stirling to hold the office of Official Flesh Taster for the year. Mr Stirling formally accepted the appointment.

The Mayor formally invited Mrs Gill Bullock to hold the office of Official Bread Weigher for the year. Mrs Bullock formally accepted the appointment.

11/19 MAYORAL CHARITY FOR 2019/20

The Mayor announced that the First Responders and the ATC Band would be the Mayoral Charities for 2019/20. He would also be raising some funding towards battery replacements for the defibrillators in the town

Cllr Thomas thanked everyone for their support and outlined his aspirations for the forthcoming year.

12/19 ADJOURNMENT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

Council **RESOLVED** to adjourn the meeting until Monday 13th May 2019 at 7.00pm in the Council Chamber, 11 Corn Square, Leominster HR6 8YP, when the rest of the business outstanding would be considered.

The Mayor thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 7.55pm.

MAYOR:

DATE: