

LEOMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Leominster Town Council Mayor Making meeting held on Saturday 14th May 2016 commencing at 19:00 hours in the John Able Room, Grange Court, Leominster HR6 8NL.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Norman, A Pendleton, Barton, Davies, Evans, Freedland, Gibson, Lacey, Marsh, Mifflin, R Pendleton, Rumsey, Taylor and Thomas.

OFFICERS PRESENT: Town Clerk.

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

- Mrs Jean Jones for her role in improving education, the W.I. and other voluntary activities.
- Mr Bob Ellis for his voluntary activities, especially with the Tourist Information service.
- Mr Bob Miles for his service with the First Responders Team.

Cllr Norman then formally thanked all those who had supported her through her mayoral year.

1. **ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR FOR THE 2016/17 CIVIC YEAR**

Nominations were invited for the position of Mayor.

Cllr Angela Pendleton was proposed by Cllr Barton and seconded by Cllr Davies. No other nominations were received.

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that Cllr Angela Pendleton be elected Mayor of Leominster for 2016/17.

Following election, the outgoing Mayor, Cllr Felicity Norman, and the newly elected Mayor, Cllr Angela Pendleton, left the Chamber to exchange Mayoral Robes and the Chain of Office.

2. **DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE**

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

Cllr Pendleton then thanked everyone for their support and outlined her aspirations for the forthcoming year.

3. **ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE 2016/17 CIVIC YEAR**

Nominations were invited for the position of Deputy Mayor.

Cllr Roger Pendleton was proposed by Cllr Rumsey and seconded by Cllr Evans. No other nominations were received.

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that Cllr Roger Pendleton be elected Deputy Mayor of Leominster for 2016/17.

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

4. DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

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

5. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Bartlett and Rosser.

6. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest made.

7. APPOINTMENT OF THE MAYOR'S CONSORT

The Mayor informed the meeting that her Consort for 2016/17 would be Cllr Pauline Davies.

8. APPOINTMENT OF THE MAYOR'S CHAPLAIN

The Mayor formally invited Rev'd Kneen to be the Mayor's Chaplain for 2016/17. Rev'd Kneen accepted the appointment.

9. 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. APPOINTMENT OF THE CIVIC ALE TASTER, FISH TASTER AND BREAD WEIGHER

The Mayor formally invited Mr David Minton to hold office as Official Ale Taster for the year. The appointment was accepted on Mr Minton's behalf.

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

The Mayor formally invited Mr Barry Simmons to hold the office of Official Bread Weigher for the year. The appointment was accepted on Mr Simmon's behalf.

11. MAYORAL CHARITY FOR 2016/17

The Mayor announced that the Dementia Friendly Leominster Alliance and the County Hospital Children's Ward would be the Mayor's Charities for 2016/17.

12. ADJOURNMENT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

Council **RESOLVED** to adjourn the meeting until Monday 16th May 2016 at 7.00pm in the Council Chamber, 17 West Street, Leominster HR6 8EP, 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: