



HAYLE TOWN COUNCIL

ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY 18 MAY 2017

Minutes of the Annual Hayle Town Council Meeting held at the Day Care Centre, Hayle on Thursday 18 May 2017, commencing at 7.30pm.

PRESENT

Councillors N Farrar (Mayor), B Capper, G Coad, B Mims, P Nidds, C Polkinghorne (Deputy Mayor), J Pollard, A Rance, K Townend and B Wills

Town Clerk E Giggall

Approximately 110 invited.

The Clerk asked the company to stand while the Mayoral Party entered the room.

7.37 PM ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING COMMENCED

ACM1 TO ELECT THE TOWN MAYOR FOR 2017/2018

The Clerk invited Councillor Polkinghorne to nominate a Councillor for Hayle Town Mayor. He nominated Councillor Farrar giving a short speech stating he was pleased to propose Councillor Farrar for the role of Mayor as he had proven to be an outstanding mayor the previous year and had left a distinctive footprint on Hayle (see Appendix A). This was seconded by Councillor Wills who said that it was an enormous pleasure and no hesitation in seconding him as she knew he would do an amazing job in the forthcoming year.

There were no other nominations and **it was resolved** unanimously that Councillor Farrar be elected Hayle Town Mayor for the year 2017/2018.

ACM2 TO RECEIVE THE TOWN MAYOR'S ADDRESS, INCLUDING THE STATUTORY DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE & CONFIRMATION OF CONSORT

The Clerk placed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, which included an undertaking to abide by the Council's adopted Code of Conduct, in front of the Mayor who read and signed it before passing it back to the Clerk for her signature (see Appendix B).

The Mayor announced that his Consort would be his wife, Angie Farrar.

The Mayor gave his acceptance speech, which was warmly received (see Appendix C). It was announced that the Mayor's Cadet would be Maddie Thomas.

ACM3 TO ELECT THE DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR FOR 2017/2018

The Clerk invited Councillor Farrar to nominate a Councillor as Deputy Mayor. He proposed Councillor Polkinghorne as Deputy Mayor of Hayle commending him to the Council in a short speech saying that he had provided invaluable support to the Mayor during the previous civic year and assistance during meetings and friendship throughout the year. The nomination was seconded by Councillor Capper who wished Councillor Polkinghorne every success for his second year as Deputy Mayor, saying that he had worked diligently and tirelessly for Hayle as Deputy Mayor.

There were no other nominations and **it was resolved** unanimously that Councillor Polkinghorne be Hayle Deputy Mayor for the year 2017/2018.

ACM4 TO RECEIVE THE DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR'S ADDRESS, INCLUDING THE STATUTORY DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE AND CONFIRMATION OF CONSORT

The Clerk placed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, which included an undertaking to abide by the Council's adopted Code of Conduct, in front of the Deputy Mayor who read and signed it before passing it back to the Clerk for her signature (see Appendix D).

The Deputy Mayor thanked his proposer and seconder and the Clerk and her team and then presented a brief address (see Appendix E). He said he was delighted to be Deputy Mayor again for a further year and thanked everyone who had supported him during the previous year.

The Deputy Mayor announced that his Consort would be his wife, Sue Polkinghorne.

ACM5 TO PRESENT THE MAYOR'S ANNUAL AWARDS TO CITIZENS AND ORGANISATIONS OF THE YEAR

The Mayor began by presenting replica trophies to last year's winners: Scott Abraham, 2016/2017 Male Citizen of the Year; Lyn Reffold, 2016/2017 Female Citizen of the Year; Hayle WI, 2016/2017 Organisation of the Year; and Hayle AFC Under 13s, 2016/2017 Youth Organisation of the Year. The Mayor thanked all of them for their service to the town.

Moving to the current year's awards, the Mayor presented the award for Female Citizen of the Year 2017/2018 to Jenna Fentham for her tireless energy in volunteering at and supporting so many local events, community buildings, groups and initiatives. It was recognised that in her capacity as Community Champion in the town's Asda store she did a lot for the town, but on this occasion she was commended for her commitment beyond her paid role.

Jenna accepted her award and gave a short speech saying that she had been in Hayle for over two years and despite being daunted at first she had got to know everyone in the various groups in the town. She was honoured to receive the award as it showed she had gained the respect of the town. She went on to thank all the people who worked and volunteered with her and the people of Hayle who had inspired her and shown people working together in a small community with a purpose to achieve a common goal.

The Mayor announced that Trevor Smitheram had been selected as Male Citizen of the Year 2017/2018 for his unstinting service to the Hayle Old Cornwall Society, of which he was President, and for volunteering at the Hayle Heritage Centre.

Trevor thanked everyone who had nominated him and said that he was just one of a group that volunteered for Hayle and that everyone worked hard. He said he especially enjoyed his volunteering at Hayle Heritage Centre, where he liked to help its visitors. He enjoyed giving school tours and explaining the history of the town. He offered to give a tour of Foundry and its history to anyone who wanted to come along. He encouraged others to volunteer and said how much he had enjoyed all the volunteering he had done over the years, citing his work at a donkey sanctuary in Devon and for the Queen and Prince Philip many years ago. He said that the Old Cornwall Society had been struggling, but now had people coming from St Just to Camborne. He thanked his wife for baking cakes and preparing drinks for the society.

The winner of the Young Person of the Year 2017/2018 was Daniel Noal and the Mayor presented the award to him. He was selected because of the voluntary work he undertook annually in assisting Hayle Decorative Lights put up the Christmas displays. Daniel thanked the Mayor as he was presented with the award.

Hayle Pilot Gig Club received the Organisation of the Year Award 2017. The Mayor said he had not hesitated to select it as the club did so much to encourage people of all ages to participate in a traditional Cornish sport and also willingly got involved and supported local events.

The club's Chairperson, Deb Fenton Knowles, said that the award was unexpected but gratefully received. She said they worked very hard to keep the club going, were passionate about rowing and believed that gig rowing was the only sport she could think of that a small team like Hayle could compete in internationally; they had recently taken part in the Isles of Scilly championships. They were always trying to encourage more people to join and anyone who wanted to just have a go was welcome. She added that the club's members worked hard behind the scenes to raise money to keep the club going.

The Mayor chose Hayle Cricket Club Youth Section as the Youth Organisation of the Year 2017/2018 because of the opportunities it affords the town's youngsters by providing a safe and encouraging environment to participate in sport locally.

Representatives of the club thanked the Mayor for the award and gave a short background report of the club, which was now strong. The youth section had been set up 10 years previously and was now very successful and had three or four youngsters playing in their age groups for Cornwall. It provided a safe and protected environment for youngsters to

play alongside the men and would welcome anyone who wanted to get involved in cricket in Hayle.

ACM6 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were noted from Councillors Benney and Cocks.

ACM7 TO ANNOUNCE THE DATE OF THE CIVIC PARADE

The Mayor announced that the Town Mayor's Civic Service would be held on Sunday 8 October 2017.

ACM8 TO NOTE THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS SCHEDULE

The Mayor confirmed that Full Council meetings would continue to be held on the first and third Thursdays of each month, excluding August, commencing at 7.15pm with a Public Participation session followed by the meeting at Hayle Community Centre.

It was resolved to note the meeting schedule for 2017/2018 (see Appendix F).

ACM9 TO NOTE COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS 2016/2017

It was resolved to note the Councillors' attendance record (see Appendix G).

ACM10 TO CONFIRM THE COMMITTEE STRUCTURE AND REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

The Mayor asked for confirmation and approval of the list in front of Councillors.

It was resolved to confirm and approve the committee structure and representatives on outside bodies (see Appendix H).

ACM11 TO ADJOURN BUSINESS TO THE NEXT FULL COUNCIL MEETING, 25 MAY 2017

It was resolved to adjourn business to Full Council on Thursday 25 May 2017.

The Mayor wanted to explain that he had won a performance from Heyl St Piran Singers at a time of his choice and that he wanted to share that experience with everyone that evening and introduced the choir who would sing during the refreshments.

The Mayor closed the meeting at 8.12pm and invited Councillors and guests to the Civic Reception.

Approved by the Council as a true record.

Town Mayor.....Date.....