



HAYLE TOWN COUNCIL

ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY 11 MAY 2023

Minutes of the Annual Hayle Town Council Meeting held at Hayle Day Care Centre, Hayle, commencing at 7.30pm.

PRESENT

Councillors S Benney, E Brown, B Capper, T. Carey, V Dinham, A. Groves, J Lawrenson-Reid (Deputy Mayor), J Martin, J Ninnes, AM Rance (Mayor), D Raymer and V. Tan

Town Clerk E Giggall-Hollis
Committee Clerk M Costello

Approximately 60 invited guests.

Councillor Capper gave a short Health and Safety speech, identifying emergency exits to those present.

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

7.30PM THE ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING COMMENCED

ACM1 TO ELECT THE TOWN MAYOR FOR 2023-2024

The Clerk invited Councillor Raymer to nominate a councillor for Hayle Town Mayor. He nominated Councillor Rance giving a short speech stating it was his privilege to propose Councillor Rance for the role of Mayor as she was supportive and ready to listen to others and her knowledge in planning matters was second to none. He added that she had steered the council through difficult situations over the past year which had shown her capability in her work.

This was seconded by Councillor Lawrenson-Reid who said that she had no hesitation in commending Councillor Rance, who had served with commitment, dedication, knowledge and guidance, always striving to achieve the best for the people of Hayle.

There were no other nominations, and **it was resolved** unanimously that Councillor Rance be elected Hayle Town Mayor for the year 2023/2024.

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 A*).

The Mayor announced that her consort would be her partner, Michael Kemp, and gave her acceptance speech. (*See attached Appendix B*) After her speech, the Mayor thanked everyone for the opportunity to stand for another year.

ACM3 TO ELECT THE DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR FOR 2023/2024

The Clerk invited Councillor Rance to nominate a councillor as Hayle Deputy Town Mayor. She proposed Councillor Lawrenson-Reid as Hayle Town Deputy Mayor commending her to the council in a short speech thanking her and saying that he had proven to be a fantastic deputy in the previous year.

The nomination was seconded by Councillor Benney who explained that it was his pleasure to second the nomination, and that since joining, Councillor Lawrenson-Reid had become fully involved in the council and was passionate, fair, had stepped up to the role of Deputy Mayor and will do a wonderful job.

There were no other nominations, and **it was resolved** unanimously that Councillor Lawrenson-Reid be elected Hayle Town Deputy Mayor for the year 2023/2024.

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 C*).

The Deputy Mayor announced that her consort would be her husband Randy, who was unfortunately unable to attend this evening. She thanked everyone and said that it was a great pleasure in accepting. She acknowledged and thanked former Councillor and Deputy Mayor, Sophie Johnson for her inspiration.

Councillor Lawrenson-Reid explained that the Mayor's Annual Awards were a testament to the many clubs and organisations in the town, doing great work volunteering for the community, coming together, keeping together, working together to change things for the better.

ACM5 TO PRESENT THE MAYOR'S ANNUAL AWARDS

The Mayor began by presenting replica trophies to the previous winners:

Citizen of the year 2022-2023 Awarded Posthumously to Mark Davies. She said that "it was my great pleasure to award the citizen of the year to Mark's family, as he had passed several months

prior to last year's Annual Council meeting. I chose Mark because he was a quiet, unassuming, vital part of our community. It is people like this that make the world go around, and I wanted this to be recognised. He was passionate about the scouting movement and helping children fulfil their best potential. He started as a child and worked his way through to becoming a leader. He was always present at our Civic and Remembrance services supporting the town and being the friendly face of the scouts within Hayle. Hayle Town Council are enormously proud and thankful of his service".

Organisation of the year 2022-2023 The Old Cornwall Society. She told those present that "I chose The Old Cornwall Society for organisation of the year because of their passion and enthusiasm for the history of Hayle. They celebrated their centenary this year. Unfortunately, I caught Covid and wasn't able to join in the celebrations but June, our Deputy Mayor attended in my stead. The organisation is amazing at promoting our Cornish heritage and continue to go from strength to strength. Meur ras!".

Moving to the current year's awards, the Mayor choose:

Citizen of the year 2023 - 2024 Sandie Morgan. The Mayor said that she has "been a volunteer for Hayle in Bloom for over 15 years. She suffers with bad health and is in a lot of pain but that doesn't stop her wanting to make Hayle look beautiful. She spends many hours maintaining flower beds on the King George V Memorial Walk. She also has worked closely with Bodriggy Academy and their Gardening Club, as well as the Beavers and the Brownies creating bug mansions and large insect sculptures which can be found in the gardens along the walk. She is an amazing lady and truly deserves this award".

Organisation of the year 2023 – 2024 Roaming for Rubbish. Councillor Rance said that "Paula Peek and Fee Hughes are two amazing ladies that organise litter picks throughout the town. They do so much more than that though. The list is endless. The best thing is that they really motivate and inspire others to do the same. It is great to be given the opportunity to give them the recognition they deserve". Councillor Dinham was pleased to accept the award on behalf of Roaming for Rubbish.

Young Person of the Year 2023 – 2024 Rowan Bawden. The Mayor said that "Rowan is a cadet in the local St. John's Ambulance unit. He has completed over 100 hours of service since he was 11 years old. This has included giving defibrillator training to villages, local school CPR, and attending local events throughout Cornwall. He is an inspiration to both young and old alike. Thank you for your wonderful service to the community Rowan".

ACM6 A PRESENTATION TO FORMER MAYORS, NICK FARRAR AND JOHN POLLARD, POSTHUMOUSLY, IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR SERVICE TO THE TOWN

The Mayor welcomed Nick Farrar and announced how pleased she was to present a token of the council's recognition to him. She gave a speech explaining that "Nick Farrar was Mayor during 2016 and 2017 during his acceptance speech he told us the reasons why he became a town councillor. He spoke of how the community rallied around his family after the loss of his son Jamie. He said "from seeing the good that people can do, it became an ambition that one day I would be in a position to repay some of that kindness by becoming a councillor, and today I stand here further in debt to my colleagues and the people of Hayle as your Mayor; Hayle is a town that just keeps on giving. Hopefully now as your Mayor I can give back some of what Hayle has

generously given me.” Nick you certainly did that with aplomb. We were truly proud to have you as our Mayor”.

Nick Farrar accepted the award and spoke of how he missed the council, he explained that being Mayor is the best honour, and that you cannot be a Mayor without a great team. He thanked everyone for this award.

The Mayor announced the presentation to former Mayor John Pollard (posthumously) She said that “John was Mayor during 1986 and 1988. Just the usual two years as Mayor but he was a town councillor for 40 years in total. Many here know that he was a Cornwall Councillor for the area and went on to be leader of Cornwall Council. The whole of the town council was in shock at his sudden passing. His commitment to the town in which he lived for so many years was exemplary. John was a guiding light, dedicated to the service of the people of not just Hayle, but also Cornwall. We will continue his good work where he left off”.

John’s wife, Mrs Jean Pollard, accepted the award on behalf of her late husband.

ACM7 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Clerk read out a list of apologies.

ACM8 TO ANNOUNCE THE DATE OF THE CIVIC EVENT– SUNDAY 15 OCTOBER 2023

The Mayor announced that the Town Mayor’s Civic Service and Parade would be held on Sunday 15 October 2023.

ACM9 TO CONFIRM THAT THE COUNCIL CONTINUES TO MEET THE CRITERIA FOR AND TO RE-ADOPT THE GENERAL POWER OF COMPETENCE

It was resolved to confirm that the town council continues to meet the criteria for and to re-adopt the General Power of Competence.

ACM10 TO NOTE THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS SCHEDULE 2023-24

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 meetings schedule for 2023/2024 (*see Appendix D*).

ACM11 TO NOTE COUNCILLORS’ ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS 2022-23

It was resolved to note the councillors’ attendance record (*see Appendix E*).

ACM12 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 F*).

ACM13 TO CONFIRM THE MAYOR’S CADET FOR 2023-2024 – CORPORAL JACOB BARR OF 1900 (WEST CORNWALL) SQUADRON, ATC

The Mayor was delighted to confirm that the Mayor’s Cadet for 2023/2024 was Corporal Jacob Barr of 1900 (West Cornwall) Squadron, ATC, who had served the mayor diligently the previous year.

ACM14 TO ADJOURN BUSINESS TO THE NEXT FULL COUNCIL MEETING, 18 MAY 2023

It was resolved to adjourn business to full council on Thursday 18 May 2023.

The Mayor closed the meeting at 7.56pm.

The Mayor then invited Councillors and guests to the Civic Reception.

Approved by the council as a true record.

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