

**WESTON-SUPER-MARE TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE
ANNUAL MEETING AND MAYOR MAKING CEREMONY
HELD AT THE TOWN HALL ON
THURSDAY 24TH MAY 2018**

Meeting Commenced: 5.00 pm

Meeting Concluded: 5.50 pm

PRESENT: Councillors Jocelyn Holder (Town Mayor), Michael Lyall (The Deputy Mayor), Clive Webb (Leader of the Town Council), Raymond Armstrong, Roger Bailey, James Clayton, Robert Cleland, Sarah Codling, Peter Crew, John Crockford-Hawley, James Davis, Peter Fox, Catherine Gibbons, Jan Holloway, Denise Hunt, Michal Kus, Richard Nightingale, Frederick Parsons, Robert Payne, Alan Peak, Lisa Pilgrim, Ian Porter, Anita Spencer-Johns, Richard Tucker, Martin Williams and Roz Willis.

IN ATTENDANCE: Malcolm Nicholson (Town Clerk), Tricia Brabham (Communications Officer), Chris Millard (Mayors Civic Officer), Alison Ashford (Secretary/Administrator) Keith Harris (Macebearer), Rev. Andrew Alden (Retiring Mayor's Chaplain), Reverend Steven Christian (Retiring Mayor's Deputy Chaplain), Rev. Peter Ashman (Incoming Mayor's Chaplain), Rev. Bekah Clark (Incoming Mayor's Deputy Chaplain), Adam Poyser (Retiring Mayor's Cadet), Tom Neale and Emma Lawton (Incoming Mayor's Cadets), Simon Parry (Photographer), Mrs B Charles (Incoming Deputy Mayoress).

The Macebearer requested that all present stand for the Mayor and Mayoress of Weston-super-Mare.

	<p>Welcome by the Mayor of Weston-super-Mare, Councillor Jos Holder</p> <p>The Mayor welcomed the Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Somerset, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen and Councillors to the Mayor Making Ceremony and Annual Meeting of the Town Council.</p> <p>In recognition and thanks for their services throughout her terms of office, the Mayor presented her retiring Chaplain Rev. Andrew Alden, retiring Deputy Chaplain Rev. Steven Christian, and retiring Cadet A. Poyser with a Town Council Shield and the Mayoress with a bouquet of flowers.</p> <p>The Mayor had felt it an honour and privileged to serve Weston-super-Mare and had enjoyed every minute of it. She had attended 237 events and they had all been very different, interesting and enjoyable. The Mayor's ball had raised over £6,000 for her chosen charities.</p> <p>The Mayor thanked staff, her church and the New Viceroy for their support, and was delighted to have made £9179 for her two charities.</p> <p>The Town Mayor invited her Chaplain to say prayers.</p> <p>The Town Mayor invited questions and observations from parishioners present.</p>
1.	<p>Election of the Mayor of Weston-super-Mare</p> <p>The Mayor invited Councillor Catherine Gibbons to propose and Councillor Clive Webb to second the proposition that Councillor Michael Lyall be elected the Mayor of Weston-super-Mare for the year 2018/19.</p> <p>Councillors Catherine Gibbons and Clive Webb respectively proposed and seconded</p>

	<p>Councillor Michael Lyall's ascension to the office of Mayor and affirmed that they had no hesitation in endorsing the election of Councillor Michael Lyall as Mayor.</p> <p>A vote was taken and carried. Accordingly it was:</p> <p>UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED: That Councillor Michael Lyall be elected the Mayor of Weston-super-Mare for the year 2018/19.</p> <p>Councillor Michael Lyall assented to his election.</p> <p>At the request of the retiring Mayor the Macebearer announced that there would be a short adjournment of proceedings for robing and requested that all present, rise.</p> <p>Preceded by the Mace and Macebearer, the retiring Mayor (Councillor Jos Holder), and Mayoress (Councillor Roz Willis), the Town Clerk (Malcolm Nicholson) and the retiring Mayor's Chaplain (Rev. Andrew Alden) adjourned from the meeting, returning to the Council Chamber when robing had been completed.</p> <p>The Mayor, Councillor Michael Lyall, took his seat.</p> <p>The Mayor, at the request of the Town Clerk proceeded to read out the Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Mayor of Weston-super-Mare for the year 2018/19, signing the document and returning thanks for his election to office.</p> <p>The Mayor thanked Councillor Gibbons for proposing and Councillor Webb for seconding that he be elected Mayor.</p> <p>The Mayor invited Councillor Peter Crew to propose and Councillor Michal Kus to second a vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor and Mayoress.</p> <p>The Mayor invited the retiring Mayor and Mayoress of Weston-super-Mare to come forward and to accept the Town Council commemorative shields to mark the Town Council's appreciation of their services during their term of office 2017/18</p>
<p>2.</p>	<p>To receive Apologies for Absence</p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mark Canniford, Clive Darke, Steven Kane and Len Purnell.</p>
<p>3.</p>	<p>Election of the Deputy Mayor of Weston-super-Mare 2018/19</p> <p>The Mayor invited Councillor James Davis to propose and Councillor Roger Bailey to second the proposition that Councillor Martin Williams be elected the Deputy Mayor of Weston-super-Mare for the year 2018/19.</p> <p>Councillors James Davis and Roger Bailey respectively proposed and seconded Councillor Martin Williams' ascension to the office of Deputy Mayor and reiterated that Councillor Martin Williams would work diligently for the Town Council and support the Mayor during his term of office.</p> <p>A vote was taken and carried. Accordingly it was:</p> <p>UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED: That Councillor Martin Williams be elected the Deputy Mayor of Weston-super-Mare for the year 2018/19.</p> <p>At the request of the Mayor, the Macebearer announced that there would be a short</p>

	<p>adjournment of proceedings for robing and requested that all present, rise.</p> <p>The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Martin Williams) and Deputy Mayoress (Mrs Brenda Charles), adjourned from the meeting and returned to the Council Chamber when robing was complete.</p> <p>The Deputy Mayor, at the request of the Town Clerk, proceeded to read out the Declaration of Acceptance of Office as the Deputy Mayor of Weston-super-Mare for the 2018/19, signing the document and returning thanks for his election to office.</p> <p>The Mayor appointed his Chaplain, Deputy Chaplain and Cadet.</p> <p>The Mayor announced the appointment of his Chaplain, Reverend Peter Ashman and his Deputy Chaplain, Reverend Bekah Clark. The Mayor presented them both with their stoles of office.</p> <p>The Mayor appointed cadets Tom Neale and Emma Lawton as the Mayor's Cadets 2018/19 and presented them both with a badge depicting the Weston-super-Mare Coat of Arms.</p> <p>The Town Mayor invited the Mayoress, Mrs Margaret Lyall, and Deputy Mayoress, Mrs Brenda Charles to come forth and receive bouquets of flowers in anticipated appreciation for their support during his year in office.</p>
4.	<p>Declarations of Interest</p> <p>There were no declarations of interest received.</p>
5.	<p>To approve the accuracy of the Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on the 19th March 2018</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting had been previously circulated with the agenda.</p> <p>PROPOSED BY: Councillor Clive Webb SECONDED BY: Councillor Ian Porter</p> <p>RESOLVED: That the minutes be approved.</p>
6.	<p>Election of Leader and Deputy Leader of the Town Council</p> <p>The proposition to elect the Leader of the Town Council for 2018/2019 was put to council.</p> <p>PROPOSED BY: Councillor Michal Kus SECONDED BY: Councillor Peter Crew</p> <p>RESOLVED: That Councillor Webb be appointed Leader of the Town Council for 2018/19.</p> <p>The proposition to elect the Deputy Leader of the Town Council for 2018/19 was put to the council.</p> <p>PROPOSED BY: Councillor Clive Webb SECONDED BY: Councillor Peter Crew</p> <p>RESOLVED: That Councillor Kus be appointed Deputy Leader of the Town Council for 2018/19.</p>

<p>7.</p>	<p>Appointment of Town Councillors to Committees, Sub Committees, Working Parties and External Organisations</p> <p>The political Group Leaders had reviewed the Town Council's Committee Membership document 2018/19 and a copy had been previously circulated with the agenda.</p> <p>Two changes were proposed by the Leader of the Council:</p> <p>That Councillor Michal Kus be appointed to the North Somerset Standards Sub Committee and that Councillor Richard Nightingale be appointed to the Single and Street Homelessness Partnership.</p> <p>PROPOSED BY: Councillor Clive Webb SECONDED BY: Councillor Sarah Codling</p> <p>RESOLVED: That with the above amendments, the Appointment of Town Councillors to Committees, Sub Committees, Working Parties and External Organisations for 2018/2019 as circulated be approved.</p>
	<p>There being no further business, the Town Mayor closed the meeting at 5.50 p.m.</p> <p>Signed: Dated:</p> <p>Town Mayor</p>