

Lichfield City Council

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Lichfield City Council held in Guildhall, Lichfield, on Monday, 14 May 2012 at 6.30 pm

PRESENT: Councillors Mrs J A Allsopp, R J Awty, B F Bacon, Mrs N Bacon, Mrs M G Boyle, B D Diggle, Mrs V A Diggle, J R Brooks, D P A Dundas, I M Eadie, Mrs J M Eagland, T V Finn, C P Greateorex, Mrs J A Greaves, P L Hitchman, Mrs S A James, D Smedley, A F Smith, A D Thompson, M A Warfield and J N Wilks.

APOLOGIES: Councillors I A Jackson, C J Spruce and Mrs S E Strachan.

1 ELECTION OF MAYOR

It was proposed by Councillor M A Warfield, seconded by Councillor B D Diggle, and

RESOLVED: That Councillor Mrs Janet May Eagland be elected Mayor of the City to hold office until the election of a successor at the Annual Meeting of Council in May 2013.

The Mayor was invested with the Mayoral Chain, and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office. The Mayor then took the Oath of Allegiance and occupied the Chair.

2 COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the City Council Meeting held on 16 April 2012 (107 – 117) be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

3 APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR

It was proposed by Councillor J N Wilks, seconded by Councillor Mrs J A Allsopp, and

RESOLVED: That Councillor Robert Joseph Awty appointed Deputy Mayor to hold office until the election of Mayor at the Annual Meeting of Council in May 2013.

The Deputy Mayor was invested with the badge of office, and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

4 ELECTION OF SHERIFF

It was proposed by Councillor C P Greateorex, seconded by Councillor A F Smith, and

RESOLVED: That Councillor Brian Bacon be elected Sheriff of the City to hold office until the election of a successor at the Annual Meeting of Council in May 2013.

The Sheriff was invested with the Chain of Office, and took the Oath of Fealty to the Crown.

5 EXPRESSION OF THANKS

The Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Sheriff each returned thanks for their election.

6 APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR'S CHAPLAIN

The Mayor announced that the Reverend Prebendary John Allan, Rural Dean, would be her Chaplain.

7 APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR'S CADET

The Mayor announced that Cadet Corporal Thomas Emerton would be her Cadet and presented him with his Badge of Office.

8 VOTE OF THANKS TO RETIRING MAYOR

It was proposed by Councillor M A Warfield, seconded by Councillor D P A Dundas, and

RESOLVED: That the best thanks of the citizens be accorded to Councillor Brian Bacon for his valuable and outstanding services as Mayor during 2011/12.

Councillor Bacon responded in suitable terms and paid tribute to members of the Council for their support and friendship during his term of office.

9 VOTE OF THANKS TO RETIRING SHERIFF

It was proposed by Councillor A D Thompson, seconded by Councillor Mrs M G Boyle, and

RESOLVED: That the best thanks of the citizens be accorded to Dr Neville Brown for his valuable and outstanding services as Sheriff during 2011/12.

Dr Brown responded in suitable terms and paid tribute to members of the Council for their support and friendship during his term of office.

10 PRESENTATION OF BADGES OF OFFICE

The Mayor presented Badges of Office to the Mayor's Consort, Deputy Mayor's Lady and Sheriff's Lady.

11 REPLICA BADGES OF OFFICE

The retiring Mayor and Mayoress, and the retiring Sheriff and Sheriff's Lady were presented with replica badges of office by the Mayor.

12 APPOINTMENT OF LEADER OF COUNCIL

It was proposed by Councillor B Bacon, seconded by Councillor Mrs N Bacon, and

RESOLVED: That Councillor Terence Victor Finn be appointed Leader of Council until the Annual Meeting of Council in May 2013.

13 APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY LEADER OF COUNCIL

It was proposed by Councillor J N Wilks, seconded by Councillor Mrs J A Allsopp, and

RESOLVED: That Councillor Mark Andrew Warfield be appointed Deputy Leader of Council until the Annual Meeting of Council in May 2013.

14 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES, WORKING PARTIES, AND ADVISORY COMMITTEES

RESOLVED: That membership of Committees, Working Parties, and Advisory Committees be as follows:

- a) **Planning Applications Committee**
All members of Council
Chairman: Cllr C J Spruce
Vice Chairman: to be appointed by the Committee

- b) **Grants Advisory Committee (9 members)**
8 Majority Group – Cllrs Mrs J A Allsopp, R J Awty, Mrs N Bacon, B D Diggle,
P L Hitchman, Mrs S A James, M A Warfield, J N Wilks
1 Minority Party - Cllr J R Brooks
Chairman: Cllr M A Warfield Vice Chairman: Cllr J N Wilks
- c) **Internal Control Working Party (6 members)**
5 Majority Group - Cllrs R J Awty, J R Bayliss, T V Finn, C J Spruce, M A Warfield
1 Minority Party - Cllr I A Jackson
Chairman: Cllr T V Finn Vice Chairman: Cllr M A Warfield
- d) **Johnson Birthplace Advisory Committee (6 members)**
5 Majority Group - Cllrs Mrs M G Boyle, B D Diggle, Mrs V A Diggle, C J Spruce,
A D Thompson
1 Minority Party - Cllr I A Jackson
Also: 1 Johnson Friends (appointed by Friends) and 1 Johnson Society (appointed
by Society)
Chairman: Cllr A D Thompson Vice Chairman: Cllr B D Diggle
- e) **Staffing Establishment Working Party (6 members)**
6 Majority Group – Cllrs Mrs N Bacon, I M Eadie, T V Finn, D Smedley,
A D Thompson, M A Warfield
Chairman: Cllr T V Finn Vice Chairman: Cllr M A Warfield
- f) **Sheriff's Ride Working Party (8 members)**
8 Majority Group - Cllrs Mrs J A Allsopp, Mrs N Bacon, Mrs M G Boyle,
D P A Dundas, T V Finn, Mrs J A Greaves, D Smedley, J N Wilks
Chairman: Cllr T V Finn Vice Chairman: Cllr D Smedley
- g) **Twinning Visits Grants Fund Working Group (3 members)**
Leader of Council, Deputy Leader
1 Minority Party - Cllr J R Brooks
- h) **Youth Grants Fund Working Group (3 members)**
Leader of Council, Deputy Leader
1 Minority Party - Cllr J R Brooks
- i) **Tenders Committee (5 members)**
Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Leader of Council, Deputy Leader
1 Minority Party – Cllr I A Jackson

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS
THE MAYOR DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.08 PM