

MUCH WENLOCK TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the
ANNUAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
held at The Guildhall, Much Wenlock
7 pm on Tuesday 10 May 2016

PRESENT:

Cllr. Herbert Harper (Chairman), Cllr. Robin Bennett, Cllr. Graham Edgcumbe Venning, Cllr. Mike Grace, Cllr. Yvonne Holyoak, Cllr. Dafydd Jenkins, Cllr. Paul Laming, Cllr. David Turner, and Cllr. Milner Whiteman OBE.

TOWN CLERK:

Sharon Clayton

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chaplain, Rev'd Matthew Stafford
Mace Bearer Charlie Pearce from West Mercia Police
Invited guests

The Mayor, Cllr. Yvonne Holyoak, invited the Chaplain, Rev'd Matthew Stafford to say prayers prior to the commencement of the meeting.

After prayers the Mayor declared the meeting open.

1) ELECTION OF MAYOR

In pursuance of LGA 1972 s15(1)(2) it was PROPOSED by Cllr. Yvonne Holyoak and SECONDED by Cllr. Dafydd Jenkins that Cllr. Herbert Harper be elected as Town Mayor for the ensuing year.

It was unanimously RESOLVED that Cllr. Herbert Harper be elected as Town Mayor of Much Wenlock for the ensuing year.

2) DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The newly appointed Mayor, Cllr. Herbert Harper signed his Declaration and Acceptance of Office, witnessed by the Town Clerk.

The Mayor gave his address of thanks for his election.

The Mayor then moved a 'Vote of Thanks' to the ex-Mayor, Cllr. Yvonne Holyoak, which was unanimously APPROVED.

Cllr. Yvonne Holyoak replied to her 'Vote of Thanks' accordingly and addressed the Council.

3) ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

In pursuance of LGA 1972 s15(6) it was PROPOSED by Cllr. David Turner and SECONDED by Cllr. Milner Whiteman that Cllr. Robin Bennett be elected as Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year.

It was unanimously RESOLVED that Cllr. Robin Bennett be elected as Deputy Mayor of Much Wenlock for the ensuing year.

4) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr. Mary Hill who was poorly and Cllr. Joffrey Watson who had a family commitment.

These apologies were accepted as APPROVED absence.

5) APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR'S CHAPLAIN

The Mayor announced his appointment of the Rev'd Matthew Stafford as his Chaplain and handed signed confirmation to the Town Clerk.

The Mayor then announced that the Annual Civic Service would take place at 11 a.m. on Sunday 15 May 2016 at Holy Trinity Church.

6) NEXT MEETING

It was PROPOSED by Cllr. David Turner and SECONDED by Cllr. Mike Grace that the remaining business of the Annual Town Council Meeting be deferred for consideration on Thursday 12 May 2016.

It was unanimously AGREED that the remaining business of the Annual Town Council Meeting be resumed on Thursday 12 May 2016 commencing 7 p.m. at the Guildhall, Much Wenlock.

The meeting closed at 19:30.

Signed.....
Town Mayor

Date.....