ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY 16th MAY 2016

Present: The Town Mayor, Cllr. Binks.

Cllrs. Bob Bayford, Jill Bayford, Buckley, Hayton, Leys, Moore, Parsons,

David Saunders, Mavanne Saunders, Savage, Shaw, Taylor-Smith

Acting Town Clerk: Lawrence Avory

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr. Dexter.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3 ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR

RESOLVED to elect Cllr. Shaw as Town Mayor for the Council's civic year 2016 – 2017

Cllr. Shaw made a declaration of acceptance of office.

Appointed Mayoress: Mrs. Frances Shaw.

RESOLVED that the Council place on record its appreciation of the valued services rendered to the Town by Cllr. Binks during her term of office as Town Mayor 2015 - 2016 and tendered her a hearty vote of thanks for the able and impartial manner in which she discharged the duties of that office, by presenting her with a Past Mayor's badge.

Cllr. Binks then gave a retiring speech, in which she thanked her Consort, Mr Roger Binks for all his support and presented him with a past Mayor's Consort badge. Cllr Binks presented personal gifts to Rev'd Philip Musindi, Past Mayor's Chaplain and Dennis Taylor, Town Sergeant in acknowledgment of their help and support during her Mayoral year. She also thanked the staff from the Town Council Office, Marian Cleverley, Mayor's Secretary, Victoria Jenkins, Senior Administrator, Christine Chappell, Administrator and David Hackney, Caretaker for their help and support.

4 ELECTION OF DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR

RESOLVED to elect Cllr. Taylor-Smith as Deputy Town Mayor for the Council's civic year 2016 – 2017.

Cllr. Taylor-Smith made a declaration of acceptance of office.

Deputy Consort: Mr Martin Taylor-Smith.

5 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Council meeting held on Monday 14th March 2016 be approved and signed by the Town Mayor.

RESOLVED that the Council receive the confirmed minutes of:

The meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on Monday 14th March 2016, and

The meeting of the Planning Committee held on the 4th April 2016.

RESOLVED that the Council receive the unconfirmed minutes of

The meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on Monday 25th April 2016, and

The meeting of the Planning Committee held on the 9th May 2016.

6 APPOINTMENTS OF COMMITTEES

RESOLVED to appoint two committees, as follows:

- a) A Finance and General Purpose Committee, comprised of thirteen members plus the Mayor and Deputy Mayor to sit ex officio.
- b) A Planning Committee, comprised of six members plus the Mayor and Deputy Mayor to sit ex officio.

7 MAYOR'S ALLOWANCE

RESOLVED to approve the Mayor's allowance, in accordance with the agreed budget for the Council's civic year 2016-2017 and the Scheme for permitted spending.

8 FINANCIAL SIGNATORIES

RESOLVED to appoint the following persons to be signatories for the Town Council's payroll and signatories for the cheques, BACS payments, standing orders and direct debits from the Town Council's Bank Accounts:

The Mayor,

The Deputy Mayor,

The Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee,

The Vice-Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee, and

The Chairman of the Planning Committee.

9 ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

RESOLVED to approve the Town Council's annual subscriptions to:

Action with Communities in Rural Kent,

British Council for Conservation Volunteers

County Playing Fields Association

Guild of Mace-Bearers

Kent Association of Local Councils (KALC) and National Association of Local Councils (NALC)

Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC)

10 CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

RESOLVED to approve the annual Calendar of Meetings for the civic year 2016 – 2017.

11 MAYOR'S COMMUNICATION

The Mayor's Chaplain for the civic year 2016 - 2017 is Rev'd. Dominic Fenton of Holy Trinity Church, Nelson Place, Broadstairs.

The Mayor's fundraising will be donated to Pilgrims Hospices, Oasis Domestic Abuse Service and town based charitable groups as needs are identified.

12 THE MAYORESS and MILLENNIUM CUPS

- a) The Mayor presented the Mayoress Cup to the Town Team for their voluntary work in many areas in the local community.
- b) The Mayor presented the Millennium Cup to Jerome Dillon for his work over many years with the Town Council as Honorary Solicitor and with other organisations in Broadstairs and St. Peter's.

Acting Town Clerk Meeting ended at 8.20 p.m.

Meeting was recorded: yes/no Members of the public were present: yes/no Members of the press were present: yes/no