

**MINUTES OF THE MAYORAL INAUGURATION AND
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE GUILDHALL, CONWY,
ON MONDAY, 16th MAY 2016 AT 6.30 P.M.**

PRESENT : Councillors – E Leighton Jones (Town Mayor), R Parker, S Cotton, B James, C Rigal, V Macdonald, S Allardice, B Chapman, P Hart, T James, G Edwards, L Hughes, J Hughes, H Roberts, A James.

IN ATTENDANCE : The Town Clerk, Mayor’s Secretary, Assistant to the Town Clerk, Macebearer, Parade Marshal, Honorary Burgesses and Honoured Guests

PRAYERS : The Mayor’s Chaplain, Canon G Berw Hughes led Members and Guests in Prayer.

APOLOGIES : None

Minute

1 Election of Town Mayor

The Mayor, Councillor Ms E Leighton Jones called for nominations for the office of Town Mayor. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs E Hughes, seconded by Councillor T James and **RESOLVED** that Councillor Ms P Hart is elected as Town Mayor of Conwy for the Municipal Year 2016/17. The newly elected Mayor was then invested with Robe and Badge of Office by the Retiring Mayor and made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

The Retiring Mayor referred to the new Mayor’s appointment by virtue of the Royal Warrant as Constable of the Castle and presented the new Mayor with the Key of the Castle.

The Royal Warrant was then read in English by the Town Clerk and in Welsh by Councillor G Edwards, after which the Mayor made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Constable and declared her intention to visit the Castle immediately after the meeting to witness the hoisting of the Pennant.

The Mayor returned thanks for her election and addressed the meeting, after which she invested her Consort, Councillor T James with his Badge of Office.

2 Appointment of Deputy Town Mayor

The Mayor, Councillor Ms Pat Hart called for nominations for the office of Deputy Town Mayor.

It was proposed by Councillor Miss S Cotton, seconded by Councillor Ms S Allardice and **RESOLVED** that Councillor B Chapman is elected as Deputy Town Mayor of Conwy for the Municipal Year 2016/17.

The newly elected Deputy Mayor was then invested with Robe and Badge of Office by the Mayor and made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

The Deputy Mayor returned thanks for his election.

The Mayor invested the Deputy Mayor’s Consort, Mrs P Chapman, with her Badge of Office.

3 Vote of Thanks and Presentation to the Retiring Mayor and Consort

The Mayor proposed a Vote of Thanks to the Retiring Mayor, Councillor Ms E Leighton Jones and Consort Dr M Spear and this was seconded by Councillor Ms R Parker.

The Mayor then made a presentation of the Past Mayor’s Badge to the Retiring Mayor and gift to the Retiring Mayoress. The Retiring Mayor replied briefly.

4. Mayor's Chaplain

The Town Clerk reported the appointment of Reverend Peter Walker as the Mayor's Chaplain for the Municipal Year 2016/17.

5. Mayoral Announcements

There were no announcements

6. Appointment of Committees

Proposed by Councillor Ms J Hughes, seconded by Councillor Mrs H Roberts and **RESOLVED** that the membership of the Council's Committees for the Municipal Year 2016/17 is as recommended at the Special Meeting of the Council held on 25th April 2016 and as tabled for information.

7. Representation on Outside Bodies

Proposed by Councillor Mrs B James, seconded by Councillor C Rigal and **RESOLVED** that the representation on outside bodies for the Municipal Year 2016/17 is as recommended at the Special Meeting of the Council held on 25th April 2016 and as tabled for information.

8. Mayor's Allowance

In pursuance of Section 34 (5) of the Local Government Act 1072, it was proposed by Councillor Ms V Macdonald, seconded by Councillor A James and **RESOLVED** that the Mayor's allowance is fixed at £2,100.00 as recommended at the Special Meeting of the Council held on 25th April 2016.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the Civic party and guests left the Council Chamber and proceeded to the Castle to witness the hoisting of the Constable's Pennant from the Constable's Tower.