

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Denbigh Town Council held on Friday 1st May 2015 at the Town Hall, Denbigh at 7.p.m.

Present: Councillors Rob Parkes, Raymond Bartley, Margaret Bowe, Medwyn Williams, Geraint Williams, Colin Hughes, Colin L Hughes, Roy Tickle, Gaynor Wood, Catherine Jones and Medwyn Jones (Town Clerk).

Apologies: Cllrs Gaynor Morgan Rees, Mark Young, Shereen Devine, Philip Stevens. A number of other apologies from invited guests were also recorded.

1. **Prayers:** The Mayor's Chaplain, Revd Jonathan Smith opened the meeting with prayers.
2. **Mayor's Annual Address:** The Mayor, Cllr Rob Parkes presented a review of the 2014 / 2015 Municipal year and highlighted the main events that had taken place.
3. **Election of Mayor:** Cllr Colin Hughes proposed, seconded by Cllr Roy Tickle and resolved that Cllr Raymond Bartley be elected the Mayor of Denbigh for the year 2015 / 2016. Cllr Raymond Bartley read out and signed the Statutory Declaration of Acceptance of Office in the presence of the Honorary Recorder, Proposer and Seconder. Cllr Rob Parkes presented Cllr Raymond Bartley with the Chain of Office. The retiring Mayoress Mrs Julia Parkes presented Mrs Dorothy Bartley with the Mayoress' Chain of Office.
4. **Presentation:** The Mayor presented Cllr Rob Parkes with a Civic Plaque and Past Mayor's Badge to commemorate his year in office. The Mayor also presented Mrs Julia Parkes with a Civic Badge to commemorate her year in office.
5. **Vote of Thanks:** Cllr Margaret Bowe proposed a vote of thanks to Cllr Rob Parkes for the manner in which he had discharged his duties during the year 2014 / 2015.
6. **Mayor's Address:** The newly elected Mayor thanked his Proposer and Seconder and addressed the Meeting.
7. **Election of Deputy Mayor:** Cllr Roy Tickle proposed, seconded by Cllr Colin Hughes and resolved that Cllr Margaret Bowe be elected Deputy Mayor for the year 2015 / 2016. Cllr Margaret Bowe read out and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office in the presence of the Honorary Recorder, Proposer and Seconder. The Mayor presented Cllr Margaret Bowe with the Chain of Office. The Mayor also presented Mr James Bowe with the Deputy Mayor's Consort Chain of Office.
8. **Return of Attendance for the year 2014 / 2015:** The average attendance for the municipal year being 80%. The Mayor congratulated Cllr Colin L Hughes on his 95.7% attendance. The Council adopted the return of attendance.
9. **Appointment of Mayor's Chaplain:** The Mayor appointed the Revd Wayne Roberts as Chaplain for 2015 / 2016.
10. **Civic Service:** The Mayor announced that the Civic Service would be held at Capel Mawr Chapel Denbigh on Sunday the 5th July 2015 at 11.30am.
11. **Closing Prayer:** To bring the proceedings to an end, the Mayor's Chaplain, the Revd Wayne Roberts gave the Blessing.