

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Denbigh Town Council held on Friday 20th May 2022 at 6.30pm via Zoom. (The meeting started at 6.38 to allow all to login via zoom)

Present: Councillors; Alyn Ashworth, Gaynor Wood-Tickle, Roy Tickle, Philip Stevens, Gaynor Morgan Rees, Pauline Edwards, Ruth Griffiths & Maxime Boucknooghe; and Jenny Barlow (Town Clerk) & Bethan Webber (Civic & Events assistant)

Observing: Reverend Graham Floyd & Licensed Lay Minister Norma Rowles. Cllr Neil Gough (Beaumaris), Cllr Menna Jones (Ruthin), Sonia Penlington (WCD Young Carers), Bethany Tudor (Domestic Abuse Safety Unit), Stuart Owen (Civic Marshall), Di Elez, Luky Trenchard, Sandra Winn & partner Peter, Robert Jones & Richard Fitzgerald.

The Town Clerk, Jenny Barlow welcomed all to this year's Annual meeting via zoom. The Town Clerk advised that the Mayor, Rhys Thomas was not able to attend and as there was no deputy chair present requested a proposal for the chairing of the meeting. Cllr Alyn Ashworth proposed Cllr Gaynor Wood-Tickle as chair and this was seconded by Cllr Roy Tickle. There were no counter proposals.

Cllr Gaynor Wood-Tickle welcomed all to the meeting.

- 1. Prayers:** The Mayor's Chaplains representative for the evening, Norma Rowles (Licensed Lay Minister) opened the meeting with prayers.
- 2. Apologies:** Mayor – Rhys Thomas, Rev Jane Finn, Peter Glynn (Civic Officer), Bryn Williams (Civic Officer) & Mike Andrews (Civic Officer).
- 3. Mayor's Annual Address:** Cllr Gaynor Wood-Tickle read out the annual address on behalf of the Mayor, Rhys Thomas for the 2021/2022 Municipal year and thanked the Deputy Mayor and Consort for their support.
- 4. Presentation by the Mayor Councillor Rhys Thomas:** Cllr Gaynor Wood-Tickle read out the Mayors speech - £3713.11 was raised for his chosen charities – Young Carers Denbighshire & Domestic Abuse Safety Unit.
- 5. Election of Mayor:** Cllr Ruth Griffiths proposed, seconded by Cllr Pauline Edwards and resolved that Cllr Alyn Ashworth be elected the Mayor of Denbigh for the Civic Year 2022/2023. No counter proposal was made.
Cllr Alyn Ashworth read out and signed the Statutory Declaration of Acceptance of Office witnessed by the Town Clerk, Proposer and Secunder.
- 6. Vote of thanks:** Councillor Alyn Ashworth proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor. A Civic Plaque and Past Mayor's Badge to commemorate his year in office will be given at a later date. The Mayor will also present Mrs Lynn Thomas with a Civic Badge to commemorate her year as Mayoress at a later date.
- 7. Mayor's Address:** The newly elected Mayor thanked his Proposer and Secunder and addressed the Meeting. The Mayor Cllr Alyn Ashworth advised his charities for 2022/2023 are North Clwyd Animal Rescue, St Kentigern, Hope House & Scope.

8. **Election of Deputy Mayor:** Cllr Alyn Ashworth proposed, seconded by Cllr Gaynor Morgan Rees and resolved that Cllr Gaynor Wood Tickle be elected Deputy Mayor for the Civic Year 2022/2023. No counter proposal was made.
Cllr Gaynor Wood-Tickle read out and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of office witnessed by the Town Clerk, Proposer and Seconder.
9. **Return of Attendance for the year 2021/2022:** The Mayor referred to the attendances for the municipal year 2021/2022. The return of attendances was adopted and noted.
10. **Appointment of Mayor's Chaplain:** The Mayor appointed Reverend Jane Finn as Chaplain for the Civic Year 2022/2023.
11. **Civic Service:** The Mayor announced that the Civic Service would be held on Sunday the 17th July at 3pm St Marys.
12. **Wellbeing plan:** This was accepted by the town councillors.
13. **Closing Prayer:** To bring the proceedings to an end, the Mayor's chaplain representative Licensed Lay Minister Norma Rowles gave the Blessing.

Cllr Neil Gough wished Cllr Alyn Ashworth well in his mayoral year.

The Mayor closed the meeting at 19.15 pm.

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Date:.....