

**NORTH WALSHAM TOWN COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council  
Held in the Council Chamber  
On Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> May 2013

**PRESENT**

Mr. D. Robertson (Town Mayor)  
Mrs. J.R. Belson      Mr. R Sims  
Mr. G. Bull            Mr. D. Spencer  
Mr. B. Hester        Mr. A. Thirtle  
Mr. T. Morland      Mr. D. Turner  
Mr. C. Peck           Mrs V. Uprichard  
Mrs. R.A. Rose      Mrs. B. West  
Mr. E. Seward        Mr. B. Wexler

10681 **TOWN MAYOR – APPOINTMENT**

Mr. Robertson stated that when he became Town Mayor he had wanted this Town Council to continue to raise its profile and to be listened to. He had always said that there is no room for party politics in the first tier of local government and still held that belief - fortunately, North Walsham works together regardless of party politics. Through persistence the Town Council has seen improvement in the town and slowly the District and County Councils are listening. Being Town Mayor has been an enjoyable experience if at times a frustrating one. Thanks were expressed to the staff for their support during the year and he wished Mrs. Belson every success in her role as Town Mayor.

On the proposition of Mr. D. Robertson seconded by Mrs. V. Uprichard  
It was **RESOLVED**

**That Mrs J.R. Belson be appointed Town Mayor for the ensuing year.**

Mrs. Belson thanked members for electing her to the position of Town Mayor and thanked Mr. Robertson for his work during the year. As previously said 'let's be united for the good of the town'.

Mrs. Belson signed the declaration of office as Town Mayor.

A vote of thanks was recorded to the outgoing Town Mayor, Mr. Robertson.

10682 **APOLOGIES**

An apology for absence was submitted from Mr. F. Choudhury.

10683 **DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR - APPOINTMENT**

On the proposition of Mr. D. Turner seconded by Mr. B. Wexler  
It was **RESOLVED**

**That Mr. R. Sims be appointed Deputy Town Mayor for the ensuing year.**

10684 **PERSONNEL/APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE**

It was **RESOLVED**

**That the following members be appointed to the Personnel Committee for the ensuing year.**

Cllrs. Mrs. R. A. Rose, Mr. D. Robertson, Mrs. B. West, Mr. B. Wexler.  
(Town Mayor and Deputy ex officio)

10685 MARKET COMMITTEE  
It RESOLVED

That the following members be appointed to the Market Committee for the ensuing year.

Cllrs. Mr. G. Bull, Mr. B. Wexler (Town Mayor and Deputy ex officio)

10686 PARKS/CEMETERY COMMITTEE  
It was RESOLVED

That the following members be appointed to the Parks/Cemetery Committee for the ensuing year.

Cllrs. Mr. D. Robertson, Mrs. R.A. Rose, Mr. A. Thirtle, Mr. D. Turner, Mr. B. Wexler, Mrs. V. Uprichard (Town Mayor and Deputy ex officio)

10687 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS GROUP  
It was RESOLVED

That the following members be appointed as the Council's representatives for the ensuing year.

Cllrs. Mr. G. Bull, Mr. F. Choudhury, Mr. B. Hester, Mr. C. Peck, Mr. D. Spencer, Mr. D. Turner, Mr. B. Wexler (Town Mayor and Deputy ex-officio)

10688 PLANNING COMMITTEE  
It was RESOLVED

That all councillors and Town/District Councillors who wished to attend, be appointed to the Planning Committee for the ensuing year

10689 GRANTS COMMITTEE  
It was RESOLVED

That the following members be appointed to the Grants Committee for the ensuing year.

Cllrs. Mr. F. Choudhury, Mr. D. Robertson, Mrs. R.A. Rose, Mr. B. Wexler, Mrs. V. Uprichard. (Town Mayor and Deputy ex officio)

10690 INTERNAL FINANCIAL EXAMINER  
It was RESOLVED

That Mrs. B. West be appointed to this post for the ensuing year.

10691 TOWN MEETING WORKING GROUP  
It was RESOLVED

That Cllr. Mrs. R.A. Rose, (Town Mayor and Deputy ex officio) be appointed to the working group for the ensuing year.

10692 INFORMATION OFFICE

It was **RESOLVED**

That Cllrs. Mr. B. Hester, Mrs. R.A. Rose, Mr. D. Turner be appointed to the Information Office Steering Committee. (Town Mayor and Deputy Mayor ex officio)

10693 OUTSIDE BODIES – APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES

(a) Neech Loan Trustees

It was **RESOLVED**

That Mr. D. Spencer and Mrs. R.A. Rose be appointed as the Council's representatives for the ensuing year.

(b) North Walsham Community Association

It was **RESOLVED**

That Mrs. R.A. Rose be appointed as the Council's representative for the ensuing year.

(c) Poors Allotment Charity

It was **RESOLVED**

That Mrs. J.R. Belson, Mr. F. Choudhury, and Mrs V. Uprichard be appointed as the Council's representatives for the ensuing year.

(d) Friends of Friesenried Association

It was **RESOLVED**

That Mr. B. Wexler be appointed as the Council's representative for the ensuing year.

(e) Bittern Line Partnership

It was **RESOLVED**

That Mr. E Seward be appointed as the Council's representative for the ensuing year.

(f) North Walsham Citizens Advice Bureau

It was **RESOLVED**

That Mr. B. Wexler be appointed as the Council's representative for the ensuing year.

(g) Safer Neighbourhood Team

It was **RESOLVED**

That Mr C. Peck and Mr. B. Wexler be appointed as the Council's representatives for the ensuing year.

(h) Griffon Area Partnership

It was **RESOLVED**

**That the Town Mayor for the ensuing year represent the Town Council on the Board and Mrs. R.A. Rose be appointed to sit on the Representatives Group. Joint Meeting Group – Town Mayor and Deputy Mayor.**

(i) North Walsham in Bloom

It was **RESOLVED**

**That Mrs. B. West be appointed as the Council's representatives for the ensuing year.**

(j) NNCTA

It was **RESOLVED**

**That Mr. D. Robertson be appointed as the Council's representative.**

(k) NORTH WALSHAM CHAMBER FOR BUSINESS

It was **RESOLVED**

**That Mr. R. Sims be appointed as the Council's representative.**

(l) LEADERSHIP OF PLACE

It was **RESOLVED**

**(a) That the Town Mayor and Mrs. R.A. Rose be appointed as the Council's representatives on the Project Board.**

**(b) That Cllrs. B. Hester, D. Robertson, R. Sims and Mrs. B. West be appointed as the Council's representatives on the Liaison Group.**

10694 STANDING ORDERS

It was suggested that the Standing Orders and Financial Regulations should undertake an annual review.

It was **RESOLVED**

**That the Personnel Committee be asked to review the Standing Orders and Financial Regulations for recommendation to full Council.**

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