

NORTH WALSHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council
Held in the Council Chamber
On Tuesday, 29th May 2012

PRESENT

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

10394 TOWN MAYOR – APPOINTMENT

Mrs. Uprichard reported that there had been several engagements since the last meeting but the most entertaining being her final fundraising event, the Stripathon, which had raised in excess of £300; adding to the money raised for the League of Friends of North Walsham & District War Memorial Hospital making a total of over £2,000. There had been disappointment not to receive a grant from the Portas Pilot scheme but the application would go forward to the next round. Mrs. Uprichard felt very positive about the future of the town – new toilets, work starting on the derelict site in Hall Lane and the Jubilee celebrations in the town. Thanks were expressed to the staff for their support during her year as Town Mayor and to Cllr. Robertson for all his support and she wished him every success in his role as Town Mayor.

It was **RESOLVED**

That Mr. D. Robertson be appointed Town Mayor for the ensuing year.

Mr. Robertson thanked members for electing him as Town Mayor and felt that the Town Council owed a debt of gratitude to Mrs. Uprichard for her achievements over the past year as Town Mayor; not just by fundraising for her chosen charity but helping to raise the profile of North Walsham even through the difficult time of Adrian's death.

Mr. Robertson signed the declaration of office as Town Mayor.

A vote of thanks was recorded to the outgoing Town Mayor, Mrs. Uprichard.

10395 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies – all members were present.

10396 DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR - APPOINTMENT

On the proposition of Mrs. E. Cornwall seconded by Mr. B. Hester
It was **PROPOSED**

That Mrs. B. West be appointed Deputy Town Mayor for the ensuing year.

On the proposition of Mr. R. Sims seconded by Mr. B. Wexler

It was PROPOSED

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

Upon being put to the vote there voted 8 for Mrs. West and 8 for Mrs. Belson. Mr. Robertson gave his casting vote in favour of Mrs. Belson who was duly appointed Deputy Town Mayor

10397 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, Mrs. B. West, Mr. B. Wexler. (Town Mayor and Deputy ex officio)

10398 MARKET COMMITTEE

It RESOLVED

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

Cllrs. Mr. R. Sims, Mr. B. Wexler (Town Mayor and Deputy ex officio)

10399 PARKS/CEMETERY COMMITTEE

It was RESOLVED

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

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

10400 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS GROUP

It was RESOLVED

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

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

10401 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

10402 GRANTS SUB-COMMITTEE

It was RESOLVED

That the following members be appointed to the Grants Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.
Cllrs. Mr. F. Choudhury, Mrs. R.A. Rose, Mr. B. Wexler, Mrs. V. Uprichard. (Town Mayor and Deputy ex officio)

10403 INTERNAL FINANCIAL EXAMINER
It was RESOLVED

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

10404 TOWN MEETING WORKING GROUP
It was RESOLVED

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

10405 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)

10406 OUTSIDE BODIES – APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES
(a) Neech Loan Trustees
It was RESOLVED

That Mr. D. Spencer and Mrs. B. West 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. T. Cornwall and Mr C. Peck 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) NALC Executive
It was reported that the elections for the Norfolk ALC Executive Committee would be held at the Annual meeting in September. Mrs. Uprichard currently sits on the Executive but indicated that she would not seek re-election in September.

(k) NWACTA
It was **RESOLVED**

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

(l) NORTH WALSHAM CHAMBER OF TRADE
It was **RESOLVED**

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

(m) 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, R. Sims and Mrs. B. West be appointed as the Council's representatives on the Liaison Group.

