MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NORTH WARWICKSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNCIL HOUSE, ATHERSTONE ON WEDNESDAY 17 MAY 2023

Present: Councillor T Clews in the Chair.

Councillors Barnett, Bates, Bell, Chapman, D Clews, Davey, Dirveiks, Farrow, Fowler, Gosling, Hayfield, Hobley, Humphreys, Jackson, Javis, Jenns, Melia, Osborne, Parsons, H Phillips, O Phillips, Reilly, Ridley, Singh, Smith, Stuart, Symonds, Taylor, Turley, Watson, Whapples, A Wright and D Wright.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ririe and Simpson.

1 Election of Mayor

It was proposed by Councillor Taylor and seconded by Councillor Parsons that Councillor Dirveiks be elected Mayor of the Borough of North Warwickshire for the ensuing year.

It was then proposed by Councillor D Wright and seconded by Councillor Jarvis that Councillor Humphreys be elected Mayor of the Borough of North Warwickshire for the ensuing year.

On being put to the vote, it was

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Humphreys be and is hereby elected Mayor of the Borough of North Warwickshire for the ensuing year.

Councillor Humphreys then made and signed the declaration of acceptance of office, was invested with the Chain and Badge of office by the retiring Mayor and took the Chair.

Councillor Humphreys in the Chair

Councillor Humphreys then thanked Council Members for the honour they had bestowed on him.

The Mayor's Charity for his term of office would be Warwickshire Search and Rescue.

2 Retiring Mayor

The Mayor presented T Clews and Councillor D Clews with past Mayor's and Consort's Badges. T Clews then thanked Members, Officers and the people of North Warwickshire for their support during his year in office.

Councillor Symonds then offered a vote of thanks to T Clews for his service to North Warwickshire during his year in office.

3 Disclosable Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

None were declared at the meeting.

4 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 19 April 2023 were approved as correct record and signed by the Mayor.

5 Appointment of Deputy Mayor

It was proposed by Councillor Taylor and seconded by Councillor Gosling that Councillor Dirveiks be elected Deputy Mayor of the Borough of North Warwickshire for the ensuing year.

It was then proposed by Councillor Reilly and seconded by Councillor D Clews that Councillor Hayfield be elected Mayor of the Borough of North Warwickshire for the ensuing year.

On being put to the vote, it was

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Hayfield be and is hereby elected Mayor of the Borough of North Warwickshire for the ensuing year.

Councillor Hayfield then thanked Council Members for the honour they had bestowed on him.

6 Mayor's Announcements

There were no Mayor's Announcement.

7 Returning Officer's Report

The Chief Executive submitted his report as Returning Officer upon the election of Councillors for the Borough held on 4 May 2023, which was received.

8 Appointments of Boards, Chairpersons, Vice Chairpersons, Spokespersons, and representative on outside bodies

In accordance with Standing Order No 23(2) a schedule of the number of Members to Boards for the ensuing year and appointments of Chairmen/Vice-Chairmen and representatives to outside bodies was placed before the Council.

It was proposed by Councillor D Wright and seconded by Councillor Bell that Appendix A (green and purple sheets) detailing the number of Members to Boards for the ensuing year and appointments of Chairmen/Vice-Chairman and representatives to outside bodies be approved.

It was then proposed by Councillor Gosling and seconded by Councillor Whapples by way of amendment that Appendix A (salmon sheets) detailing the number of Members to Boards for the ensuing year and appointments of Chairmen/Vice-Chairman and representatives to outside bodies be approved.

Upon being put to the meeting the Mayor declared the amendment to be lost.

It was then proposed by Councillor D Wright and seconded by Councillor Bell and

RESOLVED:

That the schedule of numbers and appointments to the Boards, Committees and Sub-Committees and appointments of representatives to outside bodies, as shown in Schedule 1 hereto, be approved.

9 Notice of Motion

The following Notice of Motion, submitted by Councillor Gosling, was withdrawn:

'That a full review of the local plan be initiated immediately. That the work programme in the Local Development Scheme be amended to recognise this and a series of detailed alternative options be prepared'.

10 Common Seal

It was proposed by Councillor Fowler and seconded by Councillor Jarvis and

Resolved:

That the Chief Executive be authorised to affix the Common Seal to any Orders, Deeds and Documents as necessary to give effect to the decisions of the Council, including any passed during part of the meeting which is held in private, in accordance with Article 11.05 of the Articles of the Constitution.

Chairman of the next ensuing meeting of the Council