

MINUTES COUNCIL

Wednesday 25 May 2016

Councillor Meredith Lawrence (Mayor)

Present:	Councillor Sandra Barnes	Councillor Paul Feeney
	Councillor Michael Adams	Councillor Gary Gregory
	Councillor Bruce Andrews	Councillor Helen Greensmith
	Councillor Pauline Allan	Councillor Sarah Hewson
	Councillor Emily Bailey	Councillor Viv McCrossen
	Councillor Peter Barnes	Councillor Barbara Miller
	Councillor Chris Barnfather	Councillor Marje Paling
	Councillor Denis Beeston MBE	Councillor John Parr
	Councillor Alan Bexon	Councillor Michael Payne
	Councillor Tammy Bisset	Councillor Stephen Poole
	Councillor Nicki Brooks	Councillor Colin Powell
	Councillor Bob Collis	Councillor Alex Scroggie
	Councillor John Clarke	Councillor Paul Stirland
	Councillor Jim Creamer	Councillor John Truscott
	Councillor Kevin Doyle	Councillor Jane Walker
	Councillor Boyd Elliott	Councillor Muriel Weisz
	Councillor David Ellis	Councillor Henry Wheeler
	Councillor Roxanne Ellis	Councillor Paul Wilkinson
	Councillor Andrew Ellwood	

Absent: Councillor Kathryn Fox, Councillor Jenny Hollingsworth and Councillor Carol Pepper

1 THOUGHT FOR THE DAY.

The Mayor's Chaplain, Reverend Daryl Holt, offered a prayer of thanks giving.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Hollingsworth, Fox and Pepper.

3 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Mayor provided comment on his year in office, during which time he noted that he had visited more churches than he had in the previous 71 years.

The Mayor informed Members that highlights of his year in office included two visits to the Holocaust Memorial Centre, a number of brilliant visits to schools and visits by schools to the Civic Centre.

The Mayor declared that it had been a privilege and honour to represent the Borough over the past year. He noted that it was a shame that the office of Mayor leant itself to those who were retired and of means and hoped that there might be a way to enable younger, working Councillors to undertake the role.

The Mayor extended thanks to Lorna Mellors, Elections and Members' Services Officer, for her work with him over the course of the year and to Exclusive Cars, and to Ian Lowe in particular, for their exemplary and professional services as his chauffeurs.

The Mayor thanked Councillors for their support in attending a variety of charity events. The Mayor informed Councillors that around £9000 had been raised over the course of the year for We R Here. As a small local charity, the Mayor said, the donation would make a huge difference to the Charity. The Mayor thanked the volunteers and officers from We R Here for their help.

The Mayor also gave thanks to friends, family and colleagues who had provided support during his year as Mayor.

4 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

5 TO ELECT A MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

It was proposed by Councillor Payne, seconded by Councillor Wheeler and

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Sandra Barnes be elected Mayor of the Borough of Gedling for the ensuing year.

Councillor Sandra Barnes made a signed Declaration of Acceptance of Office and thanked the Council.

Councillor Sandra Barnes adjourned the meeting to allow for the transfer of the Chain of Office and robes.

The meeting then resumed with Councillor Sandra Barnes in the Chair.

6 VOTE OF THANKS TO THE OUTGOING MAYOR.

It was proposed by Councillor Clarke, seconded by Councillor Payne and

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Lawrence and Mrs Wendy Lawrence, the outgoing Mayoress, be thanked for the work undertaken by them during their term of office.

7 TO APPOINT A DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

It was proposed by Councillor Collis, seconded by Councillor David Ellis and

RESOLVED:

That Councillor McCrossen be elected Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Gedling for the ensuing year.

Councillor McCrossen made a signed Declaration of Acceptance of Office and thanked the Council.

8 TO RECEIVE THE MAYOR'S NOMINATION OF CHAPLAIN AND THE MAYOR'S CHARITY FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

The Mayor nominated Reverend Sally Bayliss, of St. Paul's Church, Daybrook, as her Chaplain for the ensuing year.

The Mayor nominated the Pancreatic Cancer Research Fund as her charity for the ensuing year.

9 TO CONFIRM COUNCILLOR JOHN CLARKE AS THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

Councillor Payne, seconded by Councillor Collis, moved Councillor Clarke's confirmation as Leader of the Council for the ensuing year.

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Clarke is confirmed as the Leader of the Council for the ensuing year.

10 TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATION FROM THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL OF PORTFOLIO HOLDERS AND MEMBERSHIP OF THE CABINET.

Councillor Clarke advised Council of his appointments to the position of Deputy Leader and his Cabinet.

11 TO RECOGNISE THE LEADER OF THE CONSERVATIVE GROUP.

It was proposed by Councillor Parr, seconded by Councillor Powell and

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Barnfather be recognised as the Leader of the Conservative Group.

12 TO APPOINT THE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE, STANDING ORDINARY COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL.

It was proposed by Councillor Clarke and seconded by Councillor Collis that the membership of the scrutiny committee, standing ordinary committees and sub-committees of the Council, as circulated at the meeting, be approved.

RESOLVED:

To appoint to the Council's scrutiny committee, standing ordinary committees and sub-committees in accordance with the document circulated.

13 TO APPOINT REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES.

It was proposed by Councillor Clarke and seconded by Councillor Collis that the appointment of representatives to outside bodies be approved.

RESOLVED:

To appoint representatives of the Council to outside bodies, in accordance with the document circulated.

14 TO APPROVE THE SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

It was proposed by Councillor Clarke and seconded by Councillor Collis that the schedule of meetings for the ensuing year, as circulated at the meeting, be approved.

RESOLVED:

To approve the schedule of meetings for the 2016/17 municipal year, in accordance with the document circulated.

Signed by Chair:
Date: