

SOUTHWOLD TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Southwold Town Council, held at the Methodist Hall, Southwold, at 7.00pm on Tuesday 18th May 2021.

PRESENT: Councillor I Bradbury (Town Mayor/Chair)
“ D Beavan
“ Miss E A Betts
“ S Flunder
“ Mrs P Goldsmith
“ Mrs J Jeans
“ Mrs J Jordan
“ M Ladd
“ J Sutton
“ W Windell

Also attending; Town Clerk, the High Steward and 6 members of the public.

Cllr Sutton had completed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office as a Councillor prior to the meeting. Cllr Bradbury welcomed Mr Sutton to the meeting.

Agenda

1. **Town Mayor:** *to elect a Chairman called the Town Mayor for 2021/2022.
Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Chairman to be signed.*
Cllr Ladd thanked Cllr Bradbury for his 2 years of office as Mayor.
Cllr Ladd advised that he had never known such a challenging period as these 2 years, and he thanked Cllr Bradbury for leading Council so well through this time.

Cllr Ladd proposed Cllr Windell as Chairman for 2021/22 – advising that Cllr Windell has proven himself as an experienced and competent Councillor.
Nomination for Cllr Windell seconded by Cllr Goldsmith.

Cllr Beavan nominated himself to be Town Mayor for 2021/22.
Nomination for Cllr Beavan seconded by Cllr Flunder.

Vote was taken in accordance with protocols for such nominations.

Cllr Windell – 6 in favour.
Cllr Beavan – 3 in favour.

RESOLVED: In accordance with the above it was RESOLVED to elect Cllr Will Windell as Chairman (called the Town Mayor) for 2021/22.

Cllr Windell took his seat of Office. Declaration of Acceptance of Office completed by Cllr Windell.
Cllr Windell thanked all members for electing him as Town Mayor and thanked Cllr Bradbury for his terms as Town Mayor.

2. **Apologies:** *to receive apologies for absence.* Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Temple.

a) *Welcome to the new Town Councillors.* Cllr Windell welcomed Cllr Sutton to the Town Council.

3. **Deputy Town Mayor:** *to elect a Vice-Chairman, called the Deputy Town Mayor, for 2021/2022.*

Cllr Jeans nominated Cllr Bradbury as Vice-Chairman for 2021/2022 (called the Deputy Mayor) and commended him for his service as Town Mayor for the past 2 years.

Cllr Jordan seconded the proposal that Cllr Bradbury be elected as Deputy Mayor for 2021/22.

No other nominations.

RESOLVED: It was RESOLVED to elect Cllr Ian Bradbury as Vice-Chairman for 2021/2022 (called the Deputy Mayor).

4. **Declarations of Interest:**

- a) *To receive Declarations of Interest on matters on the agenda.* Nil.
b) *To receive any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests regarding the agenda.* Nil.
c) *To note the decision of the Town Clerk regarding requests for dispensations relating to this agenda.* Nil.

5. **Standing Orders:** *to suspend standing orders for consideration of the following:*
a) *To receive comments from Southwold electors on matters on the agenda (each elector will be allowed a maximum of 3 minutes).*

Nil

6. **Councillor Diary Dates**

Thursday 3rd June 2021 – Opening of Charter Fayre/Charter Parade.

7. **Date of next Town Council Meeting:** Tuesday 25th May 2021 – venue and time to be confirmed.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.13pm.

TOWN MAYOR

18th May 2021