

TENBY TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE TENBY TOWN COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD
25TH MAY 2012

PRESENT

Councillor T Hallett Mayor
Councillor Mrs Lane
Councillor Mrs Rossiter
Councillor Mrs Putwain
Councillor P Rapi
Councillor L Blackhall
Councillor Mrs Thomas
Councillor Mrs Brown

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr A. Davies Clerk to the Council/Financial Officer
Mrs L Hensman Assistant Clerk

9. OPENING PRAYER

Bishop Dewi Bridges representing the Mayor's Chaplain, who was unable to attend, opened the meeting with prayers.

10. APOLOGIES

Apologies received from Councillor M Evans.

11. ELECTION OF MAYOR FOR THE YEAR 2012/13

All Councillors were asked in turn if they wished to stand for the Election of Mayor for the ensuing year. Only Councillor T Hallett wished to be considered. Councillor L Blackhall proposed Councillor T Hallett as Mayor for 2012/13 with pride and pleasure as he is an Ambassador for Tenby, giving his time to locals and visitors as well. He works very hard behind the scenes for many organisations as well as helping in the De Valence building, more importantly he is everyone's friend, 'our Trevor'. Councillor Mrs Brown seconded the proposal agreeing with Councillor Blackhall that Councillor Hallett is a fabulous Ambassador and long may he continue. The proposition was carried unanimously.

Resolved that Councillor T Hallett be elected Mayor for the ensuing year.

12. DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Councillor Hallett then performed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office followed by the Swearing of the Oath.

The Mayor's party then left the meeting to undertake the robbing. On returning the Mayor took the chair and thanked Councillors for supporting him during 2011/12 and electing him to the Office of Mayor for 2012/13.

13. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE YEAR 2012/13

Councillor Hallett proposed Councillor Mrs Thomas be elected as his Deputy Mayor for the year 2012/13. The Mayor expressed that Councillor Mrs Thomas had been a great support to him during the year and knew she would continue to do the same for the forthcoming year as she always has the interests of Tenby at heart. The proposition was seconded by Councillor Mrs Putwain who firstly congratulated Councillor Hallett on his election of office, before agreeing that Councillor Mrs Thomas has a wealth of experience to give and is always a support to Councillor Hallett. Councillor Mrs Thomas said it was an honour to accept the position of office. The proposition was carried unanimously.

Resolved that Councillor Mrs C Thomas be elected Deputy Mayor for the year 2012/13.

The Mayor presented Councillor Mrs Thomas with her scroll.

14. APPOINTMENT OF SERGEANT AT ARMS AND SERGEANT AT MACE

Firstly Councillor Mrs Rossiter congratulated Councillor Hallett on his election to office before proceeding to congratulate the Mace Bearers on the way they conduct their duties supporting the Mayors year in year out with great decorum. She had no hesitation in proposing the appointments of the mace bearers. The proposition was seconded by Councillor P Rapi who congratulated Councillor Hallett on his appointment as Mayor, then praised Mr Robin Scanlon and Mr John Morgan for their roles as Mace Bearers, always being jolly characters, looking smart and carrying out their role efficiently.

Resolved that Mr John Morgan be appointed Sergeant at Arms and Mr Robin Scanlon as Sergeant at Mace.

The Mayor presented the Mace Bearers with their Scrolls.

15. APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR'S CHAPLAIN FOR THE YEAR 2012/2013

The Mayor said unfortunately his Mayors Chaplain Canon Andrew Davies was unable to attend but had accepted to be his Chaplain for the coming year 2012/13. He continued that it gave him great pleasure to thank Bishop Dewi Bridges for standing in as his chaplain for this evening.

Bishop Dewi Bridges thanked the Mayor for asking him and wished him well for his year in office.

16. APPOINTMENT OF MAYORESS FOR THE YEAR 2012/2013

The Mayor appointed Miss Emily Henton, his Granddaughter, as his Mayoress for the year 2012/2013; he welcomed and thanked her for agreeing to accept, bringing a younger element to the role. The Mayor then presented her with her Chain of Office and Scroll.

17. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYORESS FOR THE YEAR 2012/2013

The Mayor appointed Councillor Mrs Lane as Deputy Mayoress for the Year 2012/2013, who accepted and received her scroll from the Mayor.

18. VOTE OF THANKS TO RETIRING MAYOR

Councillor Mrs Lane gave the thank you to the retiring Mayor in the absence of Councillor M Evans. She explained that between two Councillors they had 50 years of service to Tenby Town Council, thanking Councillor Hallett for his wealth of knowledge and experience. Councillor Hallett is 'old school' and tries to attend everything he is able, working tirelessly for the community. He also handles his fellow Councillors well with tact and diplomacy. She expressed thanks to the Deputy Mayor Councillor Mrs Thomas and Mayoress Mrs M Crockford for all their hard work and support given during the year to Councillor Hallett, and concluded by wishing Councillor Hallett success for his second term of office. .

19. RESPONSE BY RETIRING MAYOR

Councillor Hallett thanked everyone for their special wishes and said 'goodbye' to 2011/12 and 'hello' to the forthcoming year 2012/13. He said it has been a privilege to represent Tenby on the Council for 25 years and an honour to be Mayor for the fourth time. During his year Tenby had been well and truly put on the map with all the Television coverage, from Tenby 24/7 and Grand Designs to mention just a few. He thanked his fellow Councillors who work very hard alongside other committees. Councillor Mrs Lane had worked hard for Britain in Bloom along with her committee and locals who were successful, receiving the Tourism award as well as silver gilt, this year they would be going for gold. Councillor Mrs Brown works hard for Tenby Jubilee Play Park and the De Valence. Thank you to Councillor Blackhall for his work for the De Valence Trust. He continued by presenting individual gifts to Mrs M Crockford his retiring Mayoress and his incoming Mayoress Miss E Henton; the Town Clerk, his assistant, the Mace Bearers and Bishop Dewi Bridges. In conclusion he thanked everyone for attending and looked forward to an enjoyable year in office.

20. CONFIRMATION OF MAYORS SUNDAY

The Mayor stated that the Civic Service would be announced in due course.

21. ADJOURNMENT OF STATUTORY BUSINESS

Proposed by Councillor Mrs Putwain, seconded by Councillor L Blackhall, that all statutory business be adjourned. The proposition was carried.

Resolved that all statutory business be adjourned until the next Meeting of Council which would be held at the De Valence Pavilion on Tuesday 29th May 2012 at 7.00 pm.

22. PRAYERS

Bishop Dewi Bridges closed the meeting with prayers.

Mayor _____

Town Clerk _____

Date _____