

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Pontardawe Town Council held on Monday
15th May 2017, at Ynysmeudwy Hall commencing at 6.45pm**

10470. Present Councillor A Nicholson (presiding), Ms S Northcott, G Davies, V Hotten, H Evans, Ms C Ford, Mrs L Purcell, J Jones, C Morgan, G Nicholson, A Richards, Ms R Smith, W Thomas. R Smith and Jamie Edwards (Youth Representative)

Apologies: Councillor Mrs R Phillips

10471. Election of Mayor/Chairman 2017/18:

Councillor A Nicholson was nominated by Councillor Ms C Ford and seconded by Councillor Mrs L Purcell for the post of Mayor and Chairman of Pontardawe Town Council. He was voted unanimously into Office.

Resolved that Councillor A Nicholson be Mayor and Chairman of Council for 2017/18.

Councillor Mrs R Phillips had a prepared statement read out in the meeting as unfortunately she was unable to attend the meeting. She thanked Council for privilege of undertaking the role of Pontardawe Town Mayor and thanked Councillor Nicholson as her Deputy and the Clerk Mrs D Phillips for their help and support during her year in office. She also welcomed the newly elected Councillors and stated she looked forward to working with them for the benefit of the community going forward.

10472. Election of Deputy Mayor for 2017/18:

Councillor G Davies was nominated by Councillor W Thomas and seconded by Councillor A Richards for the post of Deputy Mayor of Pontardawe Town Council. Unfortunately, Councillor Davies stated that he was not able to act as Deputy Mayor even if elected and his name was therefore withdrawn from the election.

Councillor Ms R Smith was nominated for the post by Councillors G Davies and seconded by Councillor V Hotten.

Councillor Mrs L Purcell was nominated for the post by Councillors W Thomas and G Nicholson.

A vote was taken by show of hands. The result was:

Councillor Mrs R Smith – 2 votes.

Councillor Mrs L Purcell – 8 votes.

Plus, abstentions.

Resolved that Councillor Mrs L Purcell be Deputy Mayor for 2017/18.

10473. Adoption of Standing Orders for 2017/18:

Resolved to adopt Standing Orders for 2017/18.

10474. Adoption of Financial Regulations for 2017/18:

Resolved to adopt the Financial Regulations for 2017/18.

10475. Mayor's Allowance 2017/18:

Resolved that the allowance remain at £950 per annum for the 2017/18 year.

10476. Election of Members – Policy and Resources Committee:

The members of the above Committee to be the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Ms C Ford, Ms S Northcott, H Evans, V Hotten and Ms R Smith.

Resolved that the above be accepted.

10477. Election of Members – Planning Committee:

The members of the above Committee to be the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, G Nicholson, Ms S Northcott, Ms C Ford and H Evans.

Resolved that the above be accepted.

10478. Election of Members – Finance Committee:

The members of the above Committee to be the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Ms R Smith, A Richards, V Hotten and H Evans.

Resolved that the above be accepted.

10479. Election of Members – Personnel Committee:

The members of the above Committee to be the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Ms S Northcott, V Hotten, C Richards and W Thomas.

Resolved that the above be accepted.

10480. Election of Members – Development Committee:

The members of the above Committee to be the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, V Hotten, J Jones, G Davies and G Nicholson.

Resolved that the above be accepted.

10481. Election of Representatives – One Voice Wales:

The representatives of Council at the meetings of One Voice Wales to be Councillor Ms C Ford.

Resolved that the above be accepted.

10482. Town/ Community Council Liaison Committee:

The representative of the Council to be the Mayor and Councillor G Davies with V Hotten as deputy.

Resolved that the above be accepted.

10483. Election of Members to Pwllfawtkin Committee:

The representatives of the Council on the above Committee are to be Councillors R Smith, Mrs L Purcell and V Hotten, with Councillors H Evans and G Nicholson as standby.

Resolved that the above be accepted.

10484 Election of Members – Landfill Tax Grant Board (WREN):

The representatives of Council on the above Committee to be Councillor G Davies

Resolved that the above be accepted.

10485. Election of Members – Cwmnant Lleichi Liaison Committee:

The representatives of the Council on the above Committee to be the Councillors H Evans and R Smith.

Resolved that the above be accepted.

10486. Election of Members to the Cwmdu Committee:

The representatives of Council on the above Committee to be the Mayor, Councillor G Nicholson, Mrs L Purcell, H Evans, V Hotten and J Jones.

Resolved that the above be accepted.

10487. Arena/ Riverside Project:

The representatives of the Council on the above Committee to be Councillor J Jones with Councillor V Hotten as Deputy.

Resolved that the above be accepted.

10488. Gwrhyd Liaison Committee:

The representatives of the Council on the above Committee to be Councillor G Davies and H Evans.

Resolved that the above be accepted.

10489. Bank Reconciliation check:

The Member responsible for financial checks under Financial Standing Orders to be Councillor A Nicholson.

Resolved that the above be accepted.

10490. Dementia Friendly Champion:

The Dementia Friendly Champion for Pontardawe Town Council is to be Councillor W Thomas.

Resolved that the above be accepted.

10491. Additional Posts considered:

Two further posts were considered during the meeting. The Minor Authority Governor for Llangiwig school was to revert to Councillor G Davies. Regarding the PUG Group at 'The Cross Community Centre' it was felt that additional information was required.

Resolved that Councillor G Davies be Minor Authority Governor for Llangiwig School.

10492. End of Financial Year Accounts 2016/17:

Resolved that the end of year accounts be accepted and signed by the Mayor on behalf of Council.

Signed

Dated

