

REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL, HELD IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOMS, THORNE ON TUESDAY 17th MAY 2011 AT 7.00PM.

Present: Cllrs. K.Abell, J.Blackham, B.M.Chowings, G.Derx, R.Durant, S.Durant, A.Farrand, B.Hedley, M.Houlbrook, R.Walker and M.Williams.

1782. APOINTMENT OF TOWN MAYOR

Cllr. B.M. Chowings was proposed and seconded for the post of Town Mayor for the forthcoming year.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. B.M. Chowings be appointed Town Mayor.

Cllr. Chowings then took the Chair.

1783. MAYOR'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The Mayor duly signed the declaration of office which was witnessed by the Town Clerk.

In his acceptance speech the Mayor thanked fellow Councillors for their confidence in allowing him the honour of representing the people of Thorne and Moorends as Mayor. The Mayor promised that with the assistance of Councillors and guidance from the Clerk, he would endeavour to continue the advancement of the Council. He thanked the outgoing Mayor for his all his efforts during his term of office.

1784. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received as follows:

Cllr. A. Brookes - personal

Cllr. K. Redmile - illness

Cllr. A.Wilson - work commitment

1785. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations.

1786. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Cllr. R. Durant was proposed and seconded for the post of Deputy Town Mayor for the forthcoming year.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. R. Durant be appointed Deputy Mayor.

1787. DEPUTY MAYOR'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The Deputy Mayor signed the declaration of office which was witnessed by the Town Clerk.

In her acceptance speech the Deputy Mayor thanked Councillors for supporting somebody from the younger generation and said that she intended to make an impact for the benefit of the Community.

1788. LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Cllr. J. Blackham was proposed and seconded as leader of the Council.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. J.Blackham be appointed as Leader of the Council for the forthcoming year.

1789. DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Cllr. M.Houlbrook was proposed and seconded as Deputy Leader of the Council.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. M.Houlbrook be appointed as Deputy Leader of the Council for the forthcoming year.

1790. STANDING COMMITTEES

RESOLVED: That the following Standing Committees operate for the following year:

- a. **POLICY, DEVELOPMENT, FINANCE AND STAFFING**
- b. **PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT, AMENITIES AND LEISURE**

and that all Councillors should be members of the Standing Committees.

1791. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1791.1 CHAIR OF POLICY, DEVELOPMENT, FINANCE AND STAFFING COMMITTEE

Cllrs. J.Blackham and M.Houlbrook were proposed and seconded as Chair and Vice Chair respectively.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. J.Blackham be appointed Chair and Cllr. M.Houlbrook Vice Chair of the Policy, Development, Finance and Staffing Committee.

1791.2 CHAIR OF PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT, AMENITIES & LEISURE COMMITTEE

Cllrs. G.Derx and B.Hedley were proposed and seconded as Chair and Vice Chair respectively.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. G.Derx be appointed Chair and Cllr. B.Hedley Vice Chair of the Planning, Environment, Amenities and Leisure Committee.

1792. REPRESENTATIVES OF EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS

It was resolved that the following representatives be appointed for the ensuing year:

- a) Brookes Trust. Cllrs. J.Blackham and M.Houlbrook.
- b) DMBC Parish Councils Joint Consultative Committee. Cllr. K.Abell plus the Clerk.
- c) Thorne and Hatfield Moors Conservation Forum. Cllr. G.Derx.
- d) CCTV Liaison Group. Cllr. M.Chowings plus the Clerk.

1793. DMBC STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Consideration was given to correspondence from YLCA regarding the ballot for Parish Council representatives on the above body.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. K.Abell be nominated to both committees.

End of meeting.