

STRATFORD-UPON-AVON TOWN COUNCIL

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

17 May, 2019

Present: The Mayor (K Rolfe) in the Chair

Councillors:

Alcock	How
Cleeve	Jackson
Curtis	Lee
Dowling	Mackenzie
Dyer	Taylor
Fojtik	Vos
I Fradgley	Wall
J Fradgley	Warren-Howles

Prior to declaring the meeting open, Mayor John Bicknell presented a commendation certificate to former Civic Chauffeur, Mr Gerald Wheeler. Former Sadler Macebearer, Mr Geoff Brown, was unable to be present, and the Mayor confirmed that he would be presented with his certificate at a later date.

1. Election of Mayor

It was Proposed by Councillor Alcock and Seconded by Councillor J Fradgley and unanimously

RESOLVED: That Councillor Catherine Lisbeth Rolfe (commonly known as Kate) be elected Mayor for the Municipal Year 2019/2020.

The Mayor read out and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and received the Ring of Office from the immediate former Mayor, John Bicknell.

2. Returning Officer's Report

The Town Clerk read the Returning Officer's Report from the Parish Council elections of 2 May, 2019. The report was noted.

3. Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor Liz Coles.

4. Declarations of Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

5. Mayor's Acceptance Speech

The Mayor thanked the Council for her election and presented the Consort's chain to husband, Michael Rolfe.

6. Vote of Thanks to Retiring Mayor

It was Proposed by Councillor J Fradgley, Seconded by Councillor Fojtik and unanimously

RESOLVED: That John Philip Bicknell be thanked for his service in the position of Mayor during the Municipal Year 2018/2019.

The Mayor presented Mr John Bicknell with his Past Mayor's Badge and Mr Bicknell responded to the vote of thanks.

The Mayor then presented the Past Mayoress' Brooch and a token gift to the outgoing Mayoress, Ms Diane Walden.

7. Election of Deputy Mayor

It was Proposed by Councillor I Fradgley and Seconded by Councillor Cleeve and unanimously

RESOLVED: That Councillor Anthony Jackson (commonly known as Tony) be elected Deputy Mayor for the Municipal Year 2019/2020.

The Deputy Mayor read out and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and received the Deputy Mayor's Chain of Office.

8. Appointment of Mayor's Chaplain

The Mayor quietly thanked the outgoing Chaplain, the Reverend Canon Andrew Dow, for his service over the past year and appointed the Reverend Doctor Roy Lodge MBE to be her Chaplain for the

ensuing year. Mayor Rolfe signed the declaration of appointment and moved that it be recorded in the minutes.

9. Mayor's Communications

The Town Clerk read an official communication from Lieutenant General Tyrone Urch CBE - Chief Royal Engineer of the Corp of Royal Engineers, Freemen of the Town.

10. Mayor's Annual Report 2018/2019

The Mayor's Annual Report for the year 2018/2019 was noted.

11. Civic Service

The Mayor invited Council to attend her at the Civic Service on Sunday, 19 May, 2019 at 10:00am at Holy Trinity Church.

12. Drinks Reception

The Mayor invited all those present to a celebratory Mayor Making drinks reception in the Ante-Room.

The Mayor declared the meeting closed at 12:52pm.