

EASTLEIGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Council held on Thursday, 11 May 2017 at 7:00 pm

PRESENT:

The Mayor, Councillor Mrs Sollitt (Chairman); Councillors Airey, Allingham, Asman, Atkinson, Bain, Balaam, Bicknell, Boulton, A Broadhurst, Mrs Broadhurst, Campbell, Clarke, Corben, Couldrey, Craig, Cross, Garton, Grajewski, Holden-Brown, Holes, House, M Hughes, Irish, Kyrle, Mann, Mignot, Parkinson-MacLachlan, Pragnell, Pretty, Rich, Rushton, Scott, Sollitt, Tennent, Thomas, Van Niekerk and Winstanley

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bloom, Hall, Hatfield, Lear, Myerscough and Roling

1. ELECTION OF MAYOR

**RESOLVED –**

**That Councillor Maureen Sollitt be elected Mayor of the Borough for the ensuing municipal year and until acceptance of office by her successor.**

Councillor Sollitt then subscribed her declaration of acceptance of office. The new Mayor's Escort, Mr Roy Sollitt, was invested with his badge of office and the Mayor then addressed the Council.

2. VOTE OF THANKS

**RESOLVED –**

**That the best thanks of this Council be extended to Councillor Des Scott and Mrs Veronica Scott for the admirable way in which they have carried out the duties of the Mayor and Mayor's Escort during the past year.**

Councillor Scott suitably replied to the vote of thanks. The Mayor and Mayoress then presented badges to Councillor Des Scott and Mrs Veronica Scott to mark their year of service to the Borough as Mayor and Mayor's Escort.

3. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

**RESOLVED –**

**That Councillor Chris Thomas be elected Deputy Mayor of the Borough for the ensuing municipal year and until acceptance of office by his successor.**

Councillor Thomas then subscribed his declaration of acceptance of office.

4. MAYORS CHAPLAIN

The Mayor signified in writing the appointment of Reverend Iain McFarlane as her Chaplain. The meeting stood whilst Reverend Iain McFarlane offered a prayer.

5. HONORARY ALDERMAN PRESENTATION

The Chief Executive read the resolution of the Council that all ex-Members that had served as a Councillor for 12 years or longer and were not actively seeking re-election be formally invited to accept the award of Honorary Alderman.

The Mayor then conferred the title of Honorary Alderman on Colin Davidovitz.

The Chief Executive explained that Colin Davidovitz was unable to attend the meeting so the Mayor presented a badge and inscribed certificate to Godfrey Olson on his behalf.

6. CITIZENS OF HONOUR PRESENTATION

The Chief Executive read the resolution of the Council conferring the title of Citizen of Honour on Mr David Carter MBE, Mrs Rachel Carter, Mr James William Vaughan MBE and Mr Graham Taylor.

As part of the Borough's fiftieth anniversary celebrations in 1986, the Council created the award of Citizen of Honour; the award generally being made to people who had given long and exceptional service to their local community. The honour had been conferred to 51 persons to date, and this year's recipients were:

- Mr David Carter MBE and Mrs Rachel Carter – for their voluntary work in the community, supporting people with autism and Aspergers syndrome and their families;
- Mr James William Vaughan MBE – for his voluntary work in the community supporting young people, particularly his work with scouting and education; and
- Mr Graham Taylor - for his voluntary work in the community supporting young people, his work with the scouting movement and his support for youth facilities.

The Mayor presented an engraved medallion and inscribed certificate to each Citizen of Honour.

The meeting finished at 8:12 pm  
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