

BEVERLEY TOWN COUNCIL

MAYOR MAKING

9th May 2016

Present: Councillors: Peter Astell (Mayor), Elaine Aird, Tom Astell, Robert Begnett, Ben Cooper, Geoff Cooper, Philip Dodsworth, David Elvidge, Duncan Jack, Nick Machen, Paul McGrath, Dominic Peacock, Bryan Pearson and Ann Willis.

In attendance: Helen Watson (Town Clerk); Carol Oliver (Deputy Town Clerk) and Peter Nendick (Macebearer).

32 members of the public were present, 3 members of the press

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

168 To receive and accept apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Lance Wardell.

169 Welcome

The outgoing Mayor welcomed Councillors, Guests, Members of the Public and Press.

170 (a) To record declarations of interest by any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared.

No declarations of interest were received.

(b) To note dispensations given to any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below.

No dispensations were given.

171 Good Neighbour Award

The outgoing Mayor said that this year there are two Good Neighbour Awards to be given out tonight.

The first goes to Lance Wardell, who has been volunteering with the Town Council, as a representative on Queensgate Allotment for several years. His own allotment is very well maintained. Lance is also a driving force in the Beverley Gardens and Allotment Association and has been involved in supporting with the setup of the new location on Queensgate Allotment. Lance is always welcoming and eager to help new allotment holders out, where possible with advice and guidance. Lance is also a keen and valued helper at the NGS Open Allotment Charity Day held annually on Queensgate Allotments. Lance could not be here this evening, but has received his award with thanks.

The second Good Neighbour Award goes to the Beverley Crew of the Humberside Fire & Rescue Service managed by Shaun Harrison. The Beverley Crew carries out vital work in the function of fire prevention and fire & rescue services as their role would expect. What some people may not know is that, the crew also carries out sterling community work in Beverley. They hold an annual Open Day, they have actively twinned with Lemgo for many years to raise the profile of Beverley and support twinning links, and they also have helped Beverley Town Council over several years on community projects, including the Diamond

Jubilee celebrations, Beverley in Bloom projects, the Queens 90th Birthday Beacon Lighting, Beverley Food Festival, the Tour de Yorkshire and other town events. They always have a good sense of humour and a can-do attitude to all they do within the voluntary community work. Councillors and Officers have been happy to work with the Beverley crew of Humberside Fire & Rescue services and would like to thank them and acknowledge their valuable community work. Shaun Harrison and the fire crew representatives came forward to accept the award.

Photographs were taken.

172 Young Persons Award

The outgoing Mayor said the nomination for the Young Person's Award is being presented to the outgoing Mayor presented the Young Persons Award to Evangelina Rawling who has given exceptional service to 1st Beverley Minster (Guide Unit) whilst completing the Baden-Powell Challenge Award. She stepped in to assist with the Brownies and will become a Young Leader in the next few months with the Guide Unit.

Photographs were taken.

173 Mayoral Charities

The outgoing Mayor had raised £4700 for his charities. Cheques were presented in the sum of £1880 to Beverley Community Lift and £2820 to Cherry Tree Association Stroke Club.

Photographs were taken.

174 Short address by the outgoing Mayor

The outgoing Mayor thanked Council for their support over the last year in particular the Deputy Mayor, Rob Begnett, for his invaluable support when he was unable to attend events which ensured as many events were covered as possible. He said that he believed this first year was getting to know one another. He thanked Councillors for their support in supporting events run by the Council. In particular he thanked Cllr Pearson, Cllr and Mrs Jack and the community for coming together to make the town look excellent for the start of the Tour de Yorkshire.

He thanked the Mr Peter Nendick, the Macebearer for his advice on civic protocol throughout the year and presented him, with a gift. He thanked the Town Clerk, Deputy Town Clerk and administrative assistant for all their support in the last year and gifts were presented.

175 Election of Mayor

Councillor Machen proposed and Councillor Jack seconded that Councillor Begnett be elected to the role of Mayor for the current municipal year.

Councillor Begnett was taken away to be robed, adorn the Chains of Office and sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

Photographs were taken.

Councillor Begnett announced his consort would be Ms Tina Warne. Councillor Begnett announced his charities would be related to youth services within the town and details will be announced shortly.

176 Short address by the incoming Mayor

The incoming Mayor, Councillor gave thanks to Councillor Astell, his partner and son for their work over the last year and presented them with a past Mayor and consort badges. Gifts were presented to the outgoing Mayor. Cllr Begnett thanked all Councillors and Officers for their support in his first year of office.

177 Election of Deputy Mayor

Councillor T Astell proposed and Councillor McGrath seconded Councillor Willis be elected to the role of Deputy Mayor for the current municipal year.

Councillor Jack proposed and Councillor Pearson seconded that Councillor Dodsworth be elected to the role of Deputy Mayor for the current municipal year.

A vote took place and the Mayor had the casting vote and Cllr Willis was elected as Deputy Mayor.

Councillor Willis was taken away to be robed, adorn the Chains of Office and sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

Photographs were taken.

178 Presentation of Mayoral Badges

This has already taken place with the incoming Mayors presentation.

179 To set a date for the next meeting of Full Council in accordance with Standing Orders.

Motion: *That a meeting of Full Council to be held at 6.30pm on Monday 16th May 2016.*

Resolved: That the meeting of Full Council will be held at 6.30pm on Monday 16th May 2016.

The Mayor of Beverley closed the meeting at 7.15pm and invited everyone to join him in the Mayor's parlour for refreshments.