

Leigh-on-Sea Town Council

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Chairman: Cllr Jane Ward Vice Chairman: Cllr Valerie Morgan Town Clerk: Helen Symmons

MINUTES OF AN EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING OF THE LEIGH-ON-SEA TOWN COUNCIL HELD AT 7.00PM ON TUESDAY 19TH DECEMBER 2017 AT LEIGH COMMUNITY CENTRE, 71-73 ELM ROAD, LEIGH-ON-SEA

Present: Cllrs: Jane Ward (Chairman), Jill Adair, Anita Forde, Patrick Fox (from minute 93), Jill Healey, Richard Herbert, Carole Mulroney, Declan Mulroney, Ron Owen, Caroline Parker and Vivien Rosier

Also in attendance: Helen Symmons (Town Clerk) and 3 co-option candidates

MINUTES

The meeting opened at 7.00 pm

89. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting, undertook the housekeeping announcements and gave an overview of the co-option process.

90. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Mark Bromfield, Donald Fraser, Fr. Clive Hillman and Valerie Morgan.

91. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Cllr Ward declared a non-pecuniary interest in Agenda item 5 as one of the candidates was known to her in a past employment.

92. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 21ST NOVEMBER 2017

The minutes of the meeting 21st November 2017 were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

93. CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLOR FOR HIGHLANDS WARD

Each candidate was invited to speak to members for 3 minutes and questions were invited. Only 3 candidates attended the meeting.

Following a proposal (Cllr Mulroney, seconded Cllr Healey) the Committee **RESOLVED** the nomination 'en bloc' of all the candidates in the voting process which in accordance with the Co-Option policy would follow the 'supplementary voting system'

The Town Clerk counted the votes and the Chairman declared John Duprey as the new Councillor for Highlands Ward having received an absolute majority of the votes.

The Declaration of Acceptance of Office was signed by Cllr Duprey and the Town Clerk.

The meeting closed at 7.30 pm