

THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF FAVERSHAM TOWN COUNCIL held at the Alexander Centre, Preston Street, Faversham, on Monday, 11th May 2009

Present: The Mayor, Cllr E J Wilcox, the Deputy Mayor, Cllr Mrs A J Walker and Councillors T Gates, Cllr Mrs C Davis, B Mulhern, M S Gates J N Coulter, D H S Simmons, J R Winlow, D G Wade, LGR Hobbard-Mitchell, N A Kay, M R Baldock and Mrs J E Hawkins

The Mayor's Chaplain, the Reverend Canon A C Oehring, opened the meeting with prayers.

1. MAYORAL PRESENTATION

In recognition of his appointment as Mayoral Cadet, the Mayor presented Ordinary Cadet Keiron Smith with his Mayoral Cadet Badge and Certificate.

2. ELECTION OF MAYOR

The Mayor, Cllr E J Wilcox proposed and on being put to the meeting it was:

RESOLVED that the Deputy Mayor, Cllr Mrs A J Walker takes the Chair for the election of the Mayor of Faversham for the ensuing Municipal Year.

The Mayor vacated his seat and upon so doing handed the Badge of Office to the Town Clerk. The Deputy Mayor took the Chair.

Cllr T Gates proposed, Cllr Mrs C Davis seconded and on being put to the meeting it was unanimously:

RESOLVED that Cllr Edward John Wilcox be and is hereby elected Mayor of Faversham for the ensuing Municipal Year.

3. ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE AND INVESTITURE

Cllr E J Wilcox having been elected as Mayor of Faversham took the Chair, made his Declaration of Acceptance of Office and was duly invested by the Town Clerk with his Badge of Office and presented with the Wand of Office.

4. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Cllr B Mulhern proposed, Cllr M S Gates seconded and on being put to the meeting it was unanimously:

RESOLVED that Cllr Mrs Anita Jean Walker be and is hereby elected Deputy Mayor of Faversham for the ensuing Municipal Year.

The Mayor duly invested the Deputy Mayor with her Badge of Office.

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Mayor

5. DAVINGTON PRIORY BY-ELECTION

The Town Clerk reported the result of the By-Election held in the Davington Priory Ward of the Town of Faversham on Thursday, 12th March 2009 when Mrs Jane Elizabeth Hawkins was elected to serve as Member of Faversham Town Council until the next full Town Council elections.

6. MAYORAL ADDRESS

The Mayor, Cllr E J Wilcox, addressed the meeting outlining the many mayoral events that he and the Mayoress had attended both within the circuit of the Cinque Ports and in the Town of Faversham and expressed his appreciation of the warm welcome that they had both received throughout his first term of office.

He welcomed the newly formed Faversham Waytes to the meeting who then gave a short musical interlude.

7. APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR'S CHAPLAIN

The Mayor indicated that he had appointed the Reverend Canon A C Oehring as his Chaplain for the new Municipal Year and Canon Oehring closed the Meeting with prayers.

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Mayor