

BARRY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, 9 MAY 2011 COMMENCING AT 7.00PM

PRESENT: The Retiring Mayor (Councillor K A Kuhnell); Councillors B Brooks, O Cash, J E Charles, C Curtis, G D Davey, P Drake, S Egan, J Evans, K Evans, A D Hampton, N P Hodges, S A Hodges, K A Kemp, K A Kuhnell, K Lewis, L M Payne, B I Shaw, T C Stenstrom, C T Turner, S T Wiliam, and E T Williams

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr D B Wolfe – Executive Officer
Mr C Lewis – Deputy Executive Officer
Mrs A Norman – Administration
Mrs J Hurd – Administration
Miss B Palmer - Administration

358. ELECTION OF MAYOR

Nominations were received for the position of Mayor of Barry Town Council for the municipal year 2011/12 as follows:-

Councillor Bronwen Brooks – nominated by Councillor J Evans and seconded by Councillor Drake.

Councillor N Hodges advised that the Plaid Cymru Group would not be nominating any candidates for the position of Town Mayor for the 2011/12 Municipal year. He commented this was the last year of the current administration and he was disappointed that during the four years of that administration all the Mayors had been newly elected Labour members. He hoped that a fair and transparent system for the election of Mayors could be agreed upon in the future.

RESOLVED that Councillor Bronwen Brooks be elected Town Mayor of Barry for the 2011/12 municipal year.

359. TOWN MAYOR'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The newly elected Town Mayor made her Declaration of Acceptance of the Office of Mayor, in the presence of the Executive Officer.

360. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies of absence were received from Councillors; however the Mayor did tender his consort's apologies for absence.

361. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Nominations were received for the position of Deputy Mayor of Barry Town Council for the municipal year 2010/11 as follows:-

Councillor Maggie Payne – nominated by Councillor Cash and seconded by Councillor K Evans.

RESOLVED that Councillor Maggie Payne be elected Deputy Town Mayor of Barry for the 2011/12 municipal year.

362. **DEPUTY MAYOR'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE**

The newly elected Deputy Mayor made her Declaration of Acceptance of the Office of Deputy Mayor, in the presence of the Executive Officer.

363. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None were declared.

364. **RETIRING MAYORS SPEECH**

The retiring Mayor, Councillor Karl Kuhnell thanked his mother, Meryl for her unwavering support throughout his term of office. He also thanked Councillor Hamilton and his wife, Carol, for their support with the bingo nights; he also thanked Councillor S Hodges for her generous donation of the cushion for the Eisteddfod Chair. He also gave thanks to the Council staff, particularly his secretary, Julie Hurd and his charities, who had assisted him with the fund raising throughout the year.

He stated that he had had an enjoyable year as Mayor and that his most memorable moment had been the Armed Forces Day event, although he had enjoyed all of the events he had attended.

365. **PRESENTATION TO RETIRING CONSORTS**

The retiring Consorts were thanked for their work during the past year and each was presented with a bouquet of flowers.

366. **APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR'S CHAPLAIN**

The newly appointed Mayor, Councillor Bronwen Brooks, advised that her Chaplain would be Father Pat O'Gorman and that her Civic Service would be held on 17 July 2011.

367. **TOWN MAYORS SPEECH**

The new Mayor, Councillor Bronwen Brooks, thanked Councillor Kuhnell for his year of hard work and service and wished him all the best for the future. She stated that she was deeply honoured to be elected as Mayor for Barry and delighted that Kandi Elmore had agreed to be her consort. She also congratulated Councillor Maggie Payne on being elected Deputy Mayor.

She thanked her partner Wayne and three children for their support as she undertakes her role in representing the people of Barry throughout the coming year. She thanked everyone for attending and invited them to join her in the Bedwas Hall for refreshments.

368. **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

RESOLVED that the meeting be now adjourned, to be reconvened at 7.00pm on Tuesday, 10 May 2011 in the Council Chamber at the Town Council's Offices.

The meeting adjourned at 7.15pm

Signed Dated
(Town Mayor)