

# **Adlington Town Council**

## **Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Adlington Town Council**

**held on Monday 14th May 2018**

**In Adlington Library, Railway Road, Adlington commencing at 7:35pm**

### **Members Present**

Councillors: A Ball, A Evans, C Hart, J Lowe, K O'Donnell, A Robinson, B Speers, T Summers, P Walkden, A Wilson

In Attendance: L Crouch (Clerk) and 20 members of the public.

### **1 Election of Town Mayor**

It was resolved that Cllr Timothy Summers would be Mayor of the Town Council for the year 2018/19. Cllr Summers completed his declaration of acceptance of office.

### **2 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs F & J Molyneaux who were attending another meeting and accepted by the Council.

### **3 Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Summers declared an interest in item 6.

### **4 Comments by the Retiring Mayor**

Retiring Mayor Cllr Alan Robinson said that he had enjoyed his time as Mayor, and wished Cllr Summers good luck in his year of office.

### **5 Election of the Deputy Mayor**

Cllr Peter Walkden was nominated for the role of Deputy Mayor. He accepted the nomination and this was agreed by the Council. Cllr Walkden completed his declaration of acceptance of office.

*Cllr Summers took no part in the discussion of item 6*

### **6 Mayor's Allowance**

It was resolved that the Mayor's allowance would be £750, the budget amount which was previously agreed by the Council as representing the necessary expenditure for the year in office.

### **7 Appointment of Working Groups and Membership**

It was resolved that members of the following Working Groups will discuss in detail issues relating to the subject of the Group and bring proposals to the monthly Council meeting for approval:

**Finance Working Group** – Cllrs A Robinson, A Evans, C Hart, J Lowe, J Molyneaux, T Summers, A Wilson.

**Planning Working Group** – Cllrs C Hart, F Molyneaux, A Wilson, T Summers, A Ball.

**Street Scene Working Group** – Cllrs A Evans, J Lowe, A Robinson, T Summers, P Walkden, B Speers

**Website & Communications Working Group** – Cllrs P Walkden, J Lowe, A Robinson, A Ball, B Speers, T Summers. It was resolved to ask for the assistance offered by ex-councillor Jon Smethurst (newsletter) as required.

**Parish Plan Working Group** – Cllrs C Hart, J Lowe, J Molyneaux, A Evans, K O'Donnell

## **8 Representatives on outside Bodies**

Lancashire Association of Local Councils (Chorley Area) – Cllrs J Lowe, Cllr P Walkden

Chorley Council Liaison – Cllr T Summers

Chorley Council Neighbourhood Area Group – Cllr A Ball

Adlington & District Community Association – Cllr B Speers, Cllr P Walkden

Adlington & District In Bloom Action Group – Cllr J Lowe, Cllr K O'Donnell, Cllr A Robinson

## **9 Delegation of Powers to the Clerk**

It was resolved to delegate powers to the Clerk in order to:

- Report minor maintenance issues to the relevant authority on the Town Council's behalf and to email Councillors to keep them informed of these
- Request extensions to planning consultation dates where these fall between meetings

## **10 Dates of Meetings 2018/19**

The previously circulated list of meetings was approved.

## **11 Items for Information None.**

The Mayor said he will be proud to represent the village during the coming year as it is such a good place to live, and that he is sure he and the Deputy Mayor Cllr Walkden will be a good team. The Mayoress will be Cllr Summers' wife Mrs Pat Summers, and the charities he will be supporting during his year in office are the Adlington Luncheon Club and the Friends for You group. He closed the meeting at 7.55pm

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