

Annual Meeting of the City Council

Friday 6 June 2014

PRESENT:

The Lord Mayor, Councillor Mrs Pengelly, in the Chair.

The Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Churchill, Vice Chair.

Councillors Mrs Aspinall, Ball, Mrs Beer, Bowie, Bowyer, Mrs Bowyer, Bridgeman, Casey, Coker, Damarell, Darcy, Philippa Davey, Sam Davey, Downie, Drean, Evans, K Foster, Mrs Foster, Fox (The Lord Mayor subsequently) , Hendy, James, Jarvis, Jordan, Martin Leaves, Michael Leaves, Sam Leaves, Lowry, McDonald, Morris, Murphy (The Deputy Lord Mayor subsequently), Mrs Nelder, Nicholson, Mrs Nicholson, Parker, Penberthy, Rennie, Ricketts, Riley, Dr. Salter, Singh, John Smith, Peter Smith, Sparling, Stark, Stevens, Jon Taylor, Kate Taylor, Tuffin, Tuohy, Vincent, Wheeler and Wiggins.

Apologies for absence: Councillors Fry and Dr. Mahony

The meeting started at 10.30 am and finished at 12.00 pm.

Note: At a future meeting, the Council will consider the accuracy of these draft minutes, so they may be subject to change. Please check the minutes of that meeting to confirm whether these minutes have been amended.

1. **COMMEMORATION OF D DAY LANDINGS**

The Council stood in silence for two minutes in memory of the Plymothians and all allied compatriots who had lost their lives on 6 June 1944 in the D Day landings at Normandy.

2. **TWIN CITIES**

The Lord Mayor welcomed the Deputy Mayor of Brest, France, the Chair of the Board of Selectmen and the delegation from Plymouth Massachusetts USA from cities twinned with Plymouth.

3. **TO ELECT THE LORD MAYOR AND DEPUTY LORD MAYOR FOR THE PERIOD UP TO THE NEXT ANNUAL MEETING**

Agreed that Councillor Fox is elected Lord Mayor and Councillor Murphy is elected Deputy Lord Mayor of the city for the ensuing year.

4. **PRESENTATION OF DRAKE'S SWORD**

Commodore Graeme Little presented Drake's Sword to the Lord Mayor to symbolise the key links between the Navy and the City of Plymouth.

5. **VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING LORD MAYOR AND DEPUTY LORD MAYOR**

Agreed that –

- (1) the council accords to Councillor Mrs Vivien Pengelly the sincere thanks of the citizens of Plymouth for the invaluable services she has rendered to the city as Lord Mayor since May 2013, and for the able manner in which she has presided over the deliberations of the council during that period;
- (2) the council also expresses its indebtedness to Councillor Nigel Churchill for his diligent and efficient discharge of the duties of Deputy Lord Mayor, and to Mr Jonathan Kennedy as the Lord Mayor's consort, and Mrs Amanda Churchill as the Deputy Lady Mayoress, who have supported them during their year of office.

The Lord Mayor presented the retiring Lord Mayor and the retiring Deputy Lord Mayor with gifts to commemorate their time in office for the 2013-14 civic year.

6. **TO NOTE THE LEADER OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Councillor Evans' continuing position as Leader of the City Council was noted.

7. **TO NOTE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CABINET**

The Council received the report of the Council Leader (Councillor Evans) which advised that changes had been made to Cabinet which would comprise the following Members –

| Portfolio | Member |
|---|----------------------------|
| Deputy Leader | Councillor Peter Smith |
| Finance | Councillor Mark Lowry |
| Children, Young People and Public Health | Councillor Sue McDonald |
| Health and Adult Social Care | Councillor Ian Tuffin |
| Co-operatives, Housing and Community Safety | Councillor Chris Penberthy |
| Environment | Councillor Brian Vincent |
| Transport | Councillor Mark Coker |

The membership of Cabinet was noted.

Changes would be made to the Leader's scheme of delegation for executive functions and the revised scheme would be published in the near future.

8. **TO AGREE COMMITTEES AND THEIR MEMBERS AND APPOINT CHAIRS AND VICE CHAIRS**

A schedule of the nominations to committees, joint committees, panels etc was submitted.

Agreed that approval is given to the appointments to committees, joint committees, panels etc and their chairs and vice chairs for the transaction of the business of the council until the next Annual Meeting as set out in the list circulated.

9. **TO NOMINATE OR APPOINT REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES**

A schedule of the nominations to outside bodies was submitted.

Agreed that approval is given to the appointments and nominations of councillors and others as representatives on outside bodies as indicated.