

ANNUAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

(Civic Centre, Port Talbot)

Members Present:

18th May, 2012

The Mayor: Councillor H.M.Bebell

The Deputy Mayor: J.Dinham

Councillors: Mrs.P.Bebell, A.Carter, Mrs.A.Chaves,
Mrs.C.Clement, C.J.Crowley, A.P.H.Davies,
D.W.Davies, Mrs.R.Davies, Mrs.J.Dudley, M.Ellis,
J.S.Evans, C.P.Golding, P.Greenaway, M.B.Gunter,
M.Harvey, S.K.Hunt, H.N.James, I.B.James,
Mrs.L.H.James, M.L.James, Mrs.D.Jones, E.E.Jones,
M.Jones, R.G.Jones, S.Jones, D.Keogh, E.V.Latham,
D.Lewis, Mrs.M.A.Lewis, A.Llewelyn,
A.R.Lockyer, J.Miller, Mrs.S.Miller, C.Morgan,
J.D.Morgan, Ms.C.Morgans, Mrs.S.Paddison,
Mrs.K.Pearson, Mrs.S.M.Penry, D.M.Peters,
L.M.Purcell, S.Rahaman, H.G.Rawlings, P.A.Rees,
P.D.Richards, J.Rogers, A.J.Siddley, A.Taylor,
A.J.Taylor, A.H.Thomas, A.L.Thomas, R.Thomas,
J.Warman, D.Whitelock, I.D.Williams,
Mrs.L.G.Williams Mrs.A.Wingrave and
A.N.Woolcock

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, the Mayor welcomed Members of Council and invited guests to the Annual Meeting of Council. Prayers were then given by The Reverend Soba Sinnathamby.

1. **ELECTION OF MAYOR**

On the motion of Councillor J.D.Morgan, seconded by Councillor A.Llewelyn, it was:-

RESOLVED: that Councillor D.M.Peters be elected Mayor for the Civic Year 2012/2013 pursuant to Section 23(1) of the Local Government Act 1972.

Councillor Martyn Peters then subscribed to the Oath of Allegiance administered by the Chief Executive and made the formal Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

The Chief Executive was pleased to announce that the Mayoress for the Civic Year would be Mrs. Rita Peters and the Mayor's Chaplain would be The Reverend Canon Dr. B.M.Lodwick.

2. **APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR**

On the motion of Councillor J.Rogers, seconded by Councillor R.Jones, it was:-

RESOLVED: that Councillor Mrs.M.A.Lewis be appointed the Deputy Mayor for the Civic Year 2012/2013 pursuant to Section 24(1) of the Local Government Act 1972.

Councillor Marion Lewis then made the formal Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

The Chief Executive was pleased to announce that the Deputy Mayor's Consort for the Civic Year would be Mr. Eric Lewis.

3. **INVESTITURE OF MAYORESS AND DEPUTY MAYORESS**

The Outgoing Mayoress, Mrs. Paula Bebell, invested the Mayoress with her Insignia of Office.

The Mayoress invested the Deputy Mayor's Consort with his Insignia of Office.

4. **MAYORAL ADDRESS**

The Mayor, Councillor Martyn Peters, then made his Mayoral Address and also took the opportunity to thank Members for their support in electing him as Mayor and to acknowledge the services of the retiring Mayor and Mayoress.

5. **VOTE OF THANKS TO THE OUTGOING MAYOR**

On behalf of the Council, Councillor M.L.James was pleased to extend a vote of thanks to the Outgoing Mayor, Councillor Harry Bebell, for the manner in which he and his Mayoress had carried out their Mayoral duties. Councillor Mrs.S.M.Penry was pleased to endorse the vote of thanks on behalf of the Council.

The Mayor then presented the Outgoing Mayor, Councillor Harry Bebell, with his Past Mayor's Medallion and a Photographic Album, and the Mayoress presented the Outgoing Mayoress with her Past Mayoress Medallion.

6. **RESPONSE BY THE OUTGOING MAYOR**

Councillor Harry Bebell, in response to the vote of thanks, offered the Mayor and Mayoress his congratulations and took the opportunity to thank those who had given him support and encouragement throughout his Mayoral Year, including Members and Officers of the County Borough Council and his Chaplain.

7. **APPOINTMENT OF LEADER AND DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

On the motion of Councillor H.G.Rawlings, seconded by Councillor H.N.James, it was:-

RESOLVED: that, pursuant to Part 4, Section 1(1.1) of the Constitution, Councillor A.H.Thomas be appointed Leader of the Council and Councillor P.A.Rees be appointed Deputy Leader of the Council for the Civic Year 2012/2013.

Report of the Chief Executive

8. **ADMINISTRATION ISSUES FOR THE CIVIC YEAR 2012/13**

The Chief Executive reported that, as it was not practicable for the various administration issues to be dealt with at the Annual Meeting, it was intended to convene a Special Meeting of Council on Wednesday, 30th May, 2012.

RESOLVED: that the Administration Issues, as set out in the circulated report, be considered at the Special Meeting of Council to be held on 30th May 2012.

The Mayor then declared the Meeting closed.

MAYOR