Stone Town Council

Minutes of the meeting held in Stone Station Community Centre, Station Approach, Stone on Tuesday 08 May, 2018

- PRESENT: Councillor J. Davies in the Chair for Minute Number C19/001. Councillor Mrs K. Green in the Chair thereafter and Councillors I. Fordham, M. Green, Mrs J. Hood, T. Jackson, R. Kenney, Mrs E. Mowatt, G. Neagus, M. Shaw and Mrs J. Piggott
- ABSENT: Councillors Mrs C. Collier, G. Collier, Mrs J. Farnham, Mrs M. Goodall, P. Leason, M. Williamson and A. Osgathorpe

To appoint the Town Mayor for the ensuing year

C19/001 Councillor Mrs J. Hood proposed Councillor Mrs K. Green for the ensuing year. She said that she has known Councillor Mrs Green for a number of years and considered that her many qualities – she is honest, loyal, kind, generous, well organized, always has a smile for everyone – qualified her as more than worthy of taking on the role.

Councillor Mrs E. Mowatt seconded the nomination. There were no further nominations and all members agreed.

RESOLVED: To appoint Councillor Mrs K. Green as Stone Town Mayor for the year 2018-19.

The Clerk invited Councillor Mrs Green to sign the Declaration of Office and to receive the Chain of Office.

Councillor Mrs Green announced that her husband, Councillor Mark Green, would be her Consort. Councillor M. Green received his Chain of Office.

Councillor Mrs Green stated that Reverend Prebendary Ian Cardinal had agreed to be Mayor's Chaplain for the year.

Councillor Mrs Green thanked all present for attending Mayor Making. She informed everyone about the many events that were planned to take place in Stone through 2018. These include the Festival Parade, Late Night Shopping and street markets, a Music Festival, a RAF 100 Commemorative Service, special Remembrance Day commemorations including the lighting of a beacon and bellringing, and a Civic Carol Service in December. In addition, new events are also proposed including 'Stone by the Sea'. She also spoke about the exciting development at Crown Wharf.

Councillor Mrs Green thanked her fellow Councillors for their support and pledged to do her very best to represent the town and its people. She said she was looking forward to an exciting year ahead.

C19/002 To appoint the Deputy Town Mayor for the ensuing year

Councillor M. Green proposed Councillor J. Davies as Deputy Town Mayor for the ensuing year. This was seconded by Councillor Mrs J. Hood. No further nominations were received and all members agreed.

RESOLVED: To appoint Councillor J. Davies to Deputy Town Mayor for the year 2018-19

The Clerk invited Councillor Davies to sign the Declaration of Office and he received his Badge of Office. Councillor Davies thanked Councillor M. Green and Councillor Mrs Hood for their nominations. He also thanked Members for their support over the previous two years.

Councillor J. Davies announced that his wife, Mrs Lin Davies, would be his Consort.

Mrs Davies was called forward to receive her Badge of Office.

C19/003 To record the Town Council's appreciation of the services of the retiring Mayoral team

Councillor J. Davies was awarded with a Past Town Mayor's Badge and a gift.

He then addressed the Council as ex-Town Mayor. He expressed how much of an honour it had been to be elected for the previous two consecutive terms, and a huge privilege to promote the town and represent its people on both formal and informal occasions.

He informed the meeting that he had worked throughout the year (2017-18) to raise money towards his chosen Mayor's charities: Scout & Guide Band, Stone Army Cadets, 2352 (Stone) Squadron ATC and St John Ambulance; and looked forward to distributing to each, their share of the proceeds.

Councillor Davies has established the appointment of two Mayor's Cadets, representing the Army Cadet Force and Air Training Corps. These are currently Sergeant Ryan Oates and Flight Sergeant Sally Proudman, whom he thanked for their exemplary turn out and forbearing through the year.

Councillor Davies was delighted to have Reverend Prebendary Cardinal as his Chaplain and expressed his appreciation for his advice and guidance through the year. Councillor Davies thanked the Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk, Mayor's Secretary and Administrative Assistant for their administrative support.

Councillor Davies expressed his deepest love and thanks to his wife, the Deputy Mayoress, for her support through the year.

Councillor I. Fordham was awarded with a Past Deputy Mayor's Badge and a gift.

The Mayor's Consort, Lin Davies, was called forward for an award of flowers as a personal gift of thanks.

The Deputy Mayor's Consort, Mrs Gill Fordham was called forward for an award of flowers as a personal gift of thanks.

C19/004 Apologies for Absence

Councillors Mrs C. Collier, G. Collier, Mrs M. Goodall and M. Williamson.

C19/005 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations Received

None

C19/006 Minutes

RESOLVED

 a) That the minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on the 10 April 2018 (Minute Numbers C18/082 – C18/091), copies having been circulated to the members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

C19/007 Committee Minutes

RESOLVED

- a) That the minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting held on the 10 April 2018 (Minute Numbers GP18/173 GP18/197), copies having been circulated to Members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
- b) That the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on the 10 April 2018 (Minute Numbers P18/111 P18/115), copies having been circulated to Members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
- c) That the minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting held on the 24 April 2018 (Minute Numbers GP18/198 – GP18/204), copies having been circulated to Members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

C19/008 <u>To determine membership and elect the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of General</u> Purposes Committee and Planning Committee for 2018-19

It was proposed that all members be appointed to both the General Purposes Committee and Planning Committee.

RESOLVED: That all Members be appointed to the General Purposes Committee and Planning Committee.

Chairman of the General Purposes Committee:

RESOLVED: That Councillor R. Kenney be appointed as Chairman of the General Purposes Committee for the year 2018-19.

Vice Chairman of the General Purposes Committee:

RESOLVED: That Councillor Mrs Hood be appointed as Vice Chairman of the General Purposes Committee for the year 2018-19

Chairman of the Planning Committee:

RESOLVED: To appoint Councillor A. Osgathorpe as Chairman of the Planning Committee for the year 2018-19.

Vice Chairman of the Planning Committee:

RESOLVED: To appoint Councillor G. Neagus as Vice Chairman of the Planning Committee for the year 2018-19.

C19/009 <u>To defer other business under Standing Order 2, paragraph (j) to an appropriate</u> <u>meeting of the General Purposes Committee</u>

RESOLVED: That all other business under this Standing Order be deferred to the General Purposes Committee

TOWN MAYOR