

# HEREFORD CITY COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HEREFORD CITY COUNCIL AND MAYORAL INSTALLATION

Monday 13 May 2019

**PRESENT:** The Right Worshipful the Mayor of Hereford, Cllr Sue Boulter, and Cllrs Polly Andrews, Clive Butler, Mark Dykes, Elizabeth Foxton, Kath Hey, Cat Hornsey, Bernard Hunt, Jim Kenyon, Jeremy Milln, Aubrey Oliver, Daniel Powell, Paul Stevens, Kevin Tillet, Diana Toynbee, Ange Tyler, Brian Wilcox, Rob Williams.

**AMC 2019/20.1     The Mayor, Councillor Sue Boulter, called upon Members of the City Council to elect one of their number to serve as Mayor during the coming municipal year.**

The Mayor called upon the proposer, Cllr Jim Kenyon, for the Mayor-Elect.

Cllr Jim Kenyon proposed Cllr Kath Hey as Mayor for the municipal year and expressed his great pleasure in putting this nomination forward.

He stated he has known Cllr Hey for many years and that she is hard working and does a great deal in the community. Cllr Kenyon described her as 'the go-to person'.

**The Mayor called upon Cllr Mark Dykes to second the proposition.**

Cllr Dykes thanked Cllr Kenyon for his kind words for the 638<sup>th</sup> Mayor and informed those present that he was delighted to second the nomination of Cllr Hey.

He conveyed to all that Kath was a loyal and diligent Deputy Mayor to Cllr Boulter and that she is a great asset to the City.

The Mayor asked for any other nominations, of which there were none.

The vote was taken and the Mayor declared the result as unanimous.

**RESOLVED:**

**Cllr Hey is elected as Mayor and Chair of the City Council for the municipal year 2019/2020.**

**AMC 2019/20.2     The newly elected Mayor made her Declaration of Acceptance of Office before the Town Clerk as required by law.**

Cllr Hey recited the declaration of office and signed the declaration.

The retiring Mayor invested the newly elected Mayor with the Chain and Badge of Office.

The newly elected Mayor took her place in the Mayoral Chair.

**AMC 2019/20.3      The newly elected Mayor presented the retiring Mayor with their Past Mayor's Badge.**

The incoming Mayor's Consort, James Hey, received his Badge from the retiring Mayor's Consort.

The incoming Mayor's Consort presented the retiring Mayor's Consort, Dave Boulter, with his Past Consort's Badge.

**AMC 2019/20.4      The newly elected Mayor returned thanks to the Members of the City Council and the assembled company.**

Cllr Hey thanked the City Council for their nomination and election of her as Mayor and her fellow Councillors whom she had worked with for the past four years. Cllr Hey extended the City Council's gratitude to Cllr Boulter for all she did during her Mayoral year and thanked her guests for coming.

**AMC 2019/20.5      Members received apologies for absence from:**

No apologies for absence were received.

**AMC 2019/20.6      The Mayor called upon Members of the City Council to elect one of their number to serve as Deputy Mayor during the coming Municipal Year.**

The Mayor proposed to defer the election of Deputy-Mayor until the co-option process to fill the vacant Racecourse Ward Cllr position has taken place at Council on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2019.

**The Mayor asked for a vote to be taken:**

8 in favour  
3 against  
4 abstentions

**RESOLVED:**

**To defer the election of Deputy-Mayor until the vacant Racecourse Ward Cllr position has been filled via co-option at Council on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2019.**

**AMC 2019/20.7      A member of the Council expressed thanks to the outgoing Mayor and Consort for their services during the 2018-2019 Municipal Year.**

Cllr Wilcox expressed thanks to the retiring Mayor and congratulated her on her achievements – Cllr Boulter attended approx. 300 engagements and raised nearly £10,000 for her charities Close House and Aspire Living. It was a job well done and she had done the City proud.

He shared with those present that they had great fun at the many functions they attended together across the county, trying to work out the various protocols! On one occasion, at the NMiTE inauguration ceremony, both were unexpectedly asked to sign the declaration on stage without pre-warning, but they managed perfectly together with everyone being none the wiser!

Cllr Wilcox spoke of the great work in the community that Sue does, especially the lunch club where she dons her pinny in the kitchen and that she has been able to do many things that Mayor's have not done before, including a trip from a female rugby team from our twin town of Vierzon.

Cllr Wilcox finished his speech by saying that Cllr Boulter's mother, late sister and community would be very proud of her and by welcoming her to the 'When I' club – 'When I was Mayor...'. He also thanked Sue's husband and consort David – 'The Man in the Suit'!

**The Mayor asked Councillor Boulter if she wished to say anything having completed her Mayoral year.**

Cllr Boulter said that it had been an honour and a privilege to serve the City as Mayor and that she hit the ground running, with her first engagement being a very long day.

Sue shared that she had very much enjoyed the last year including attending functions to celebrate 75 years of the NHS, 100 years since the end of WW1 and at the House of Lords as well as driving forward the link with Jaworzno. Many of the events involved the Cathedral including the Three Choirs Festival and the moving sight of the Poppies: Weeping Window.

Sue concluded by thanking her son and his partner, The High Sheriff and Laura, and also extended thanks to Lyn, Rob, Lesley, John, Marcelle and Dave. She wished Cllr Hey all the best for her Mayoral year and Katie Devey the best for the remaining 6 months of her Junior Mayoralty.

**AMC 2019/20.8 The newly appointed Mayor announced the appointment of her Chaplain and her appointed charities for the Municipal Year 2019-20.**

The Mayor announced that the Reverend Andy Morgan would be her Chaplain and that her Mayoral year would focus on Youth and therefore her nominated local charities would be CLD Trust (Strong Young Minds) and Phoenix Bereavement Service.

**AMC 2019/20.9 The Mayor called upon Members of the City Council to adopt the Power of General Competence under the Localism Act 2011 Section 1.**

It was proposed by Cllr Hey, seconded by Cllr Andrews and unanimously

**Resolved:  
To adopt the Power of General Competence under the Localism Act 2011 Section 1.**

**AMC 2019/20.10 The Mayor declared the meeting closed and invited the assembled company to dine with them in the Assembly Hall.**

There being no further business the Mayor called the meeting to a close at 6.35pm.

Signed.....

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