MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NORTH WARWICKSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNCIL HOUSE, ATHERSTONE ON WEDNESDAY 4 MAY 2022

Present: Councillor Jarvis in the Chair.

Councillors Bell, D Clews, T Clews, Davey, Dirveiks, Farrow, Gosling, Hayfield, D Humphreys, M Humphreys, Jenns, Jordan, Macdonald, McLauchlan, Morson, Moss, Osborne, Parker, Parsons, H Phillips, O Phillips, Reilly, Rose, Simpson, L Smith, S Smith, Symonds, A Wright and D Wright.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Chambers, Hancocks and Singh.

Former Councillor Chris Harrington had sadly died recently. The Mayor and Members paid tribute to him and Councillors and Officers observed a moment's silence.

1 Election of Mayor

It was proposed by Councillor Symonds and seconded by Councillor Jordan and

RESOLVED:

That Councillor T Clews be and is hereby elected Mayor of the Borough of North Warwickshire for the ensuing year.

Councillor T Clews then made and signed the declaration of acceptance of office, was invested with the Chain and Badge of office by the retiring Mayor and took the Chair.

Councillor T Clews in the Chair

Councillor T Clews then thanked Council Members for the honour they had bestowed on him.

Councillors T Clews and D Clews offered a vote of thanks to Karen Stokes (Mayor's Secretary) who was retiring after 37 years' service with the Council and welcomed Kirsty Harvey as the new Mayor's Secretary.

2 **Retiring Mayor**

The Mayor presented Councillor Jarvis with past Mayor's and Consort's Badges. Councillor Jarvis then thanked Members, Officers and the people of North Warwickshire for their support during his year in office.

Councillor Reilly then offered a vote of thanks to Councillor Jarvis for his service to North Warwickshire during his year in office.

3 **Disclosable Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests**

None were declared at the meeting.

4 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 23 February 2022 and Extraordinary Council meetings held on 28 March and 26 April 2022 were approved as correct record and signed by the Mayor.

5 Appointment of Deputy Mayor

It was proposed by Councillor D Wright and seconded by Councillor D Humphreys and

RESOLVED:

That Councillor L Smith be appointed Deputy Mayor of the Borough of North Warwickshire for the ensuing year.

Councillor L Smith then thanked Council Members for the honour they had bestowed on him.

6 Mayor's Announcements

The Mayor would be attending the funerals of Councillor Barry Lees, Lord Plumb and former Councillor Ann Lewis and former Councillor Chris Harrington.

The Mayor's Charity for his term of office would be North Warwickshire Veterans.

The Mayor welcomed Councillor L Smith after his recent absence on health grounds.

7 Appointments of Boards, Chairpersons, Vice Chairpersons, Spokespersons, and representative on outside bodies

In accordance with Standing Order No 23(2) a schedule of the number of Members to Boards for the ensuing year and appointments of Chairmen/Vice-Chairmen and representatives to outside bodies was placed before the Council.

It was proposed by Councillor Reilly and seconded by Councillor Simpson by way of amendment;

That the Council's representatives on the North Warwickshire Community Safety Partnership and the Safer Warwickshire Partnership Board be Councillor D Humphreys and the Police and Crime Panel be Councillor Jarvis.

Upon being put to the meeting the Mayor declared the amendment to be carried.

It was then proposed by Councillor Jarvis and seconded by Councillor D Wright and

RESOLVED:

That the schedule of numbers and appointments to the Boards, Committees and Sub-Committees and appointments of representatives to outside bodies, as shown in Schedule 1 hereto, be approved.

8 Amended Calendar of Meetings - 2022/23

The Chief Executive sought approval of an amended Calendar of Meetings for 2022/23.

It was proposed by Councillor D Wright, seconded by Councillor Jordan and

RESOLVED:

That the amended Calendar of Meetings for 2022/23 be approved.

9 **Common Seal**

It was proposed by Councillor Morson and seconded by Councillor D Wright and

Resolved:

That the Chief Executive be authorised to affix the Common Seal to any Orders, Deeds and Documents as necessary to give effect to the decisions of the Council, including any passed during part of the meeting which is held in private, in accordance with Article 11.05 of the Articles of the Constitution.

10 **Exclusion of the Public and Press**

Resolved:

That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business, on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined by Schedule 12A to the Act.

11 Confidential Extract of the Minutes of the Meting of the Council held on 28 March 2022

It was proposed by Councillor D Wright and seconded by Councillor Jarvis and

Resolved:

That the confidential extract of the minutes of the meetings of the Council held on 28 March 2022 be approved and adopted.

Chairman of the next ensuing meeting of the Council