

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
NORTH WARWICKSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT THE
COUNCIL HOUSE, ATHERSTONE ON WEDNESDAY 13 MAY 2009**

Present: Councillor Payne in the Chair.

Councillors Bowden, Butcher, Davis, L Dirveiks, N Dirveiks, Forwood, Fowler, Fox, Freer, Gordon, Hayfield, Jenkins, Johnston, Lea, Lewis, May, Moore, Morson, B Moss, M Moss, Phillips, Pickard, Sherratt, Simpson, Smith, M Stanley, Y Stanley, Swann, Sweet, Winter and Wykes.

Mr Stan Orton (Chairman of the Standards Committee) was also in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Smitten, Welby and Zgraja.

Before the commencement of business, Liz Bickley, Ordinant and Reader in the Church of England, led the Council in Prayer.

1 Election of Mayor

It was proposed by Councillor Sweet, seconded by Councillor M Stanley and

RESOLVED:

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

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

Councillor Moore in the Chair

2 Retiring Mayor

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

It was proposed by Councillor Swann, seconded by Councillor Sweet and

RESOLVED:

That the Council places on record its thanks to Councillor Payne for his service to North Warwickshire during his year of office.

3 Declarations of Interest

Personal or Prejudicial Interest other than those declared in the minutes of the meetings of Boards/Committees and any personal interests arising from the membership of Warwickshire County Council of Councillors Forwood, Fowler, Hayfield, Lea, B Moss, M Stanley, Sweet and membership of the various Town or Parish Councils of Councillors Butcher (Polesworth), Davis (Atherstone), Freer (Atherstone),

Fox (Shustoke), Lewis (Kingsbury), Moore (Baddesley Ensor), B Moss (Kingsbury), M Moss (Kingsbury), Phillips (Kingsbury), Sherratt (Coleshill), M Stanley (Polesworth) and Y Stanley (Polesworth) all of which interests were deemed to be declared at this meeting

4 **Minutes**

The minutes of the meetings of the Council held on 25 February and 22 April 2009 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

5 **Appointment of Deputy Mayor**

It was proposed by Councillor Smith and seconded by Councillor Sherratt and

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Johnston be and is hereby appointed Deputy Mayor of the Borough of North Warwickshire for the ensuing year.

Councillor Johnston thereupon made and signed a declaration of acceptance of office and was invested with the Badge of Office by the Mayor.

Councillor Johnston thanked Council Members for the honour they had bestowed on her.

6 **Mayor's Announcements**

The Mayor announced that his two of his charities for the year would be DebRA and the Mary Ann Evans Hospice.

In addition he wished John Bird, Assistant Chief Executive, well for his retirement and announced that the Council had retained its IIP status.

7 **Questions Pursuant to Standing Order No. 7 (2)**

There were no questions pursuant to Standing Order No 7 (2).

8 **Minutes of Boards/Committees**

a) **Resources Board** – 9 March and 27 April 2009

i) **Minute No 150 – Proposed Development at Meadow Street, Atherstone**

It was proposed by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Bowden and

RESOLVED:

That the following be added to the recommendation

d **That the land is surplus to requirements by the Council; and**

e **That any capital receipts received by the Council in connection with the sale of land / proposed development off Meadow Street, Atherstone, be used for affordable housing.**

It was then proposed by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Bowden and

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meetings of the Resources Board held on 9 March and 27 April 2009, together with the amendment at i) above and the recommendation contained therein, be approved and adopted.

b) Planning and Development Board – 16 March and 20 April 2009

It was proposed by Councillor Simpson, seconded by Councillor Sweet and

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meetings of the Planning and Development Board held on 16 March and 20 April 2009 be approved and adopted.

c) Community and Environment Board – 23 March 2009

It was proposed by Councillor Fowler, seconded by Councillor May and

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Community and Environment Board held on 23 March 2009, together with the recommendation contained therein, be approved and adopted.

d) Resources Overview and Scrutiny Board – 31 March 2009

It was proposed by Councillor Morson, seconded by Councillor Winter and

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Resources Overview and Scrutiny Board held on 31 March 2009 be approved and adopted.

e) Community and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Board – 7 April 2009

It was proposed by Councillor Swann, seconded by Councillor Davis and

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Community and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Board held on 7 April 2009 be approved and adopted.

f) Area Forum (East) – 21 April 2009

It was proposed by Councillor Davis, seconded by Councillor Forwood and

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Area Forum (East) held on 21 April 2009 be approved and adopted.

g) Area Forum (North) – 23 April 2009

It was proposed by Councillor M Stanley, seconded by Councillor Winter and

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Area Forum (North) held on 23 April 2009 be approved and adopted.

h) Area Forum (South) – 28 April 2009

It was proposed by Councillor Sherratt, seconded by Councillor Gordon and

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Area Forum (South) held on 28 April 2008 be approved and adopted.

i) Area Forum (West) – 30 April 2009

It was proposed by Councillor Payne, seconded by Councillor Swann and

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting of Area Forum (West) held on 30 April 2009 be approved and adopted.

j) Executive Board – 5 May 2009

It was proposed by Councillor Hayfield, seconded by Councillor Smith and

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Board held on 5 May 2009, together with the recommendations contained therein, be approved and adopted.

9 Numbers and Appointments to Boards/Committees, Area Forums, Portfolios and Portfolio Groups

A schedule of numbers and appointments to the Boards, Committees, Area Forums, Portfolios and Portfolio Groups and the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen thereof was placed before the Council.

It was proposed by Councillor Hayfield, seconded by Councillor Fowler and

RESOLVED:

That the Constitution of Boards, Committees, Area Forums, Portfolios and Portfolio Groups for 2009/10 and the appointment of Members thereon and the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen thereof, as shown in Schedule 1 hereto, be approved.

10 Appointments to Outside Bodies

It was proposed by Councillor Hayfield, seconded by Councillor Fowler and

RESOLVED:

That the appointment of representatives of the Council to serve on outside bodies for 2009/10, as shown in Schedule II hereto, be approved.

11 Notice of Motion Under Standing Order No 10

There were no Notices of Motion under Standing Order No 10.

12 Common Seal

It was proposed by Councillor Swann, seconded by Councillor Winter and

RESOLVED:

That the Chief Executive be authorised to affix the Common Seal to any document as necessary to give effect to the decisions of the Council, in accordance with Article 13.05 of the Articles of the Constitution.

**Chairman of the next ensuing meeting
of the Council**