MARKET DRAYTON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Market Drayton Town Council held on 16 May 2013 at 7.30pm in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Frogmore Road, Market Drayton.


Also present: 12 members of the public

CLERKS: Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk

Before the meeting commenced the outgoing Mayor; Councillor Steve Glover presented cheques to his nominated charities; Mencap £500, The Girl Guides £400 and Grove School, Connex £600.

All members present at the meeting had previously signed their declaration of acceptance of office

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<td>Councillor Taylor proposed, Councillor Minnery seconded and it was unanimously <strong>RESOLVED:</strong></td>
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<td>To elect Councillor Tim Beckett as Mayor for the ensuing Civic year.</td>
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<td>Councillor Taylor said she had known Councillor Beckett since he was very young and making him Mayor would follow in the family tradition.</td>
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<td>Councillor Minnery agreed with Councillor Taylor saying that Councillor Beckett's efforts in organising the 10K run were appreciated in the town.</td>
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<td>Councillor Beckett signed the Declaration of Office.</td>
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<td>He thanked his fellow Councillors in nominating him for Mayor. He said he would be following in the footsteps of his parents who had both been Mayor of the Town. He said he never thought he would become Mayor and was delighted to be elected. He said this year would be challenging with so many new members the experienced members would need to help the new ones. He said he hoped the Council would not make political decisions but decisions which were best for the town.</td>
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<td>The Mayor said his charities would be Grove School Connex and the Scouts. He may decide on another charity at a later date.</td>
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He invited everyone for refreshments after the meetings at the Red Lion Inn.

### C.01 ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2013/14

Councillor Minnery proposed, Councillor Cadwallader seconded:

**Councillor Hughes for Deputy Mayor**

Councillor Taylor proposed, Councillor Glover seconded:

**Councillor Smith for Deputy Mayor**

Councillor Brown proposed, Councillor Erwin seconded:

**Councillor Whittle for Deputy Mayor**

Councillor Hughes thanked the Councillors for nominating him but he would like to withdraw from the election.

Councillor Brown asked for secret ballot.

The Town Clerk issued ballot papers and the results were as follows:

Councillor Whittle 7 votes
Councillor Smith 9

**Councillor Smith was duly elected Deputy Mayor the ensuing Civic year.**

Councillor Brown thanked Councillor Glover for all his hard work during his Mayoral year.

### C.03 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Owen who was sitting an exam.

### C.04 APPOINTMENT TO COMMITTEES

a) Services and Facilities Committee

Councillor Beckett proposed, Councillor Smith seconded and it was **RESOLVED:**

**That Services and Facilities Committee is made up of the following Councillors:**

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Councillors J Beckett, M Erwin, D Erwin, Gough, Hughes, Owen, Taylor, Whittle, and ex officio members T Beckett as Mayor and Smith as Deputy Mayor.

b) Community and Governance Committee

All members

c) Planning Committee

16 members:
Councillor Minnery sits on the Planning Committee at SC so should not participate in Town Council’s Planning debate so has withdrawn from this committee.

d) Finance and General Purposes Committee

Councillor Minnery proposed, Councillor Hughes seconded and it was RESOLVED:

That Finance and General Purposes Committee is made up of the following Councillors:

Aldcroft, Brown, Cadwallader, Glover, Minnery, Purcell, Ridgway and ex officio members: T Beckett as Mayor and Smith as Deputy Mayor.

C.05 ELECTION OF CHAIRS AND APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRS OF COMMITTEES

The meeting was adjourned while Standing Committees elected their Chairs and Vice Chairs.

Services and Facilities

Councillor J Beckett proposed, Councillor M Erwin seconded and it was RESOLVED with one abstention:

To elect Councillor Hughes as Chairman of Services and Facilities Committee for the ensuing Civic year.

Councillor Smith proposed, Councillor Hughes seconded and it was RESOLVED:

To appoint Councillor Taylors as Vice Chair of Services and Facilities Committee.

Community and Governance

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Councillor Whittle proposed, Councillor Minnery seconded:

To elect Councillor Ridgway as Chairman of Community and Governance Committee.

Councillor Taylor proposed, Councillor Glover seconded:

To elect Councillor Brown as Chair of Community and Governance Committee.

Councillor Brown asked for a secret ballot.

The Town Clerk issued ballot papers to all members. The vote was as follows:

Councillor Ridgway 11
Councillor Brown 5

Councillor Ridgway was duly elected Chairman of Community and Governance Committee for the ensuing Civic year.

Councillor Ridgway proposed, Councillor Brown seconded and it was RESOLVED with 14 for, 1 against and 1 abstention:

To appoint Councillor Whittle as Vice Chair of Community and Governance Committee for the ensuing Civic year.

Finance and General Purposes

Councillor Glover proposed, Councillor Brown seconded and it was RESOLVED:

To elect Councillor Aldcroft as Chairman of Finance and General Purposes Committee for the ensuing Civic year.

Councillor Minnery proposed, Councillor Cadwallader seconded and it was RESOLVED:

To appoint Councillor Ridgway as Vice Chair of Finance and General Purposes Committee for the ensuing Civic year.

Planning Committee

Councillor Ridgway proposed, Councillor D Erwin seconded and it was RESOLVED with 1 abstention:

To elect Councillor Smith as Chairman of the Planning Committee for the ensuing Civic year.
Councillor Smith proposed, Councillor D Erwin seconded and it was **RESOLVED** with 2 abstentions:

To appoint Councillor Glover as Vice Chair of the Planning Committee for the ensuing Civic year.

### C.06 **ELECTION OF SUB COMMITTEES**

**Complaints**

Councillors Aldcroft, Cadwallader, Ridgway, Smith and Whittle

**Personal**

Too many Councillors expressed a wish to serve on the Personal Committee so a ballot was taken with the following results:

Councillor Beckett 13, Minnery 11, M Erwin 10, Hughes 9, Brown 7, Taylor 6, and Whittle 5.

The 6 serving members are: **Councillor Beckett, Minnery, M Erwin, Hughes along with the Chair of F&GP; Aldcroft and Vice Chair; Ridgway.**

**Personal Appeals**

Councillors Cadwallader, Glover, Brown and Whittle

Councilor Minnery proposed, Councillor Whittle seconded and it was **RESOLVED:**

That the above members serve on the Sub Committees reporting to Finance and General Purposes Committee.

**CCTV**

Councillors Glover, Gough, Hughes, Ridgway and Whittle.

**Cemetery**

Councillors Hughes, Taylor, J Beckett, Brown, D Erwin and Whittle.

**Christmas Lights**

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In Bloom

Councillors T Beckett, Brown, M Erwin, Hughes, Purcell and Taylor.

Street Lighting

Councillor J Beckett, M Erwin, D Erwin, Hughes, Smith, Taylor and Whittle.

Councillor Ridgway proposed, Councillor Smith seconded and it was **RESOLVED:**

That the above members serve on the Sub Committees reporting to Services and Facilities Committee.

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<td>Councillor Hughes informed members that he resigned from the board of Market Drayton Sports Association for SC. Councillor Cadwallader would be his successor.</td>
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<td>The Town Clerk said although the position of Director is for 3 years the Council’s solicitor has advised it would be good practice to re confirm the Directors at the Town Council’s Annual meeting.</td>
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<td>Councillor Smith said he is finding it difficult to attend meetings as they clash with his Fire Service meetings. Due to this he would like to resign as a Director of MDSA.</td>
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<td><strong>To elect Councillor Glover and Purcell as Directors for MDSA.</strong></td>
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C.09  **APPOINTMENT OF CONTACTS**

**Age Concern**
Councillor D Erwin

**Festival Drayton**
Councillor T Beckett

**MD Cricket, Hockey and Squash Club**
Councillor Minnery

**Playing Fields Association**
Councillors Purcell and Minnery

**Tern Hill Sports Centre**
Councillors Gough and Minnery

Councillor Minnery proposed, Councillor Hughes seconded and it was **RESOLVED:**

*That the above members serve as Named Contacts for the Town Council.*

C.10  **RECORD OF ATTENDANCE**

Members NOTED the record of attendance

C.11  **ACCOUNTS AND FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Due to some of the Town Council’s members not been re elected the bank account now only has two signatories instead of 6.

Councillor Minnery proposed, Councillor Ridgway seconded and it was **RESOLVED:**

*To agree the following members as signatories on the bank account: Councillors Brown, Smith, Glover and Aldcroft to join the present signatories; Councillor Hughes and Taylor.*

C.12  **SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

Councillor Taylor proposed, Councillor Whittle seconded and it was **RESOLVED:**

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<td>To agree that group meetings of elected members may to held in the Town Hall offices.</td>
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