COUNCIL

Monday, 11 May 2009

Present:	The Mayor (Councillor Jones) in the Chair
	Deputy Mayor (Councillor Hodson)

	Bepaty Mayor (Countino Floudon)		
Councillors	RL Abbey T Anderson C Blakeley A Bridson S Clarke IO Coates J Crabtree G Davies P Davies W Davies F Doyle W Duffey D Elderton G Ellis S Foulkes L Fraser G Gardiner P Gilchrist JE Green J Hale	J Hale K Hayes P Hayes A Hodson S Holbrook A Jennings P Johnson AER Jones J Keeley S Kelly B Kenny D Knowles I Lewis AR McLachlan M McLaughlin C Meaden D Mitchell R Moon S Moseley S Mountney S Niblock	C Povall A Pritchard J Quinn S Quinn L Rennie D Roberts L Rowlands J Salter H Smith W Smith P Southwood S Taylor C Teggin G Watt R Wilkins J Williams P Williams K Wood
Councillors	J George T Harney D Kirwan	P Reisdorf T Smith J Stapleton	

A Taylor

1 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Apologies:

The Mayor thanked all those within the Council and throughout the Borough who had supported him in the wide variety of activities that he had undertaken throughout his year of office and in the work of the Mayor's Charity Fund, in particular the staff of Civic and Member Services for their valued assistance and the former Mayor, Councillor Gilchrist, and the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Hodson, for their encouragement and support. All of the Mayor's remarks were warmly endorsed by the whole Council.

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At the Mayor's request Lizz Clark, Wirral's Young Poet Laureate, read a poem specially composed for the occasion.

2 **ELECTION OF MAYOR**

The Mayor invited nominations for election of the Mayor for the ensuing municipal year.

On a motion moved by Councillor Green and seconded by Councillor Foulkes, and in the absence of any other nominations, it was –

<u>Resolved</u> - That Councillor Andrew Chapman Hodson be elected Mayor of the Metropolitan Borough of Wirral for the 2009/10 municipal year.

Councillor Hodson made the declaration required by law, and the retiring Mayor (Councillor Adrian Jones) vacated the chair. Councillor Hodson occupied the chair.

3 **APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR**

The Mayor invited nominations for the appointment of a Deputy Mayor for the ensuing municipal year.

On a motion moved by Councillor Holbrook and seconded by Councillor Foulkes, and in the absence of any other nominations, it was –

<u>Resolved</u> (unanimously) - That Councillor Alan Thomas Jennings be appointed Deputy Mayor of the Metropolitan Borough of Wirral for the 2009/10 municipal year.

Councillor Jennings made the declaration required by law.

4 MINUTES

The minutes of the Council meeting held on 27 April 2009, having been circulated to all members, it was –

Resolved - That the minutes be approved and adopted.

5 **ADJOURNMENT**

The Council agreed, without a vote, pursuant to paragraph 46 of the Annual Council procedure, that the meeting stand adjourned to 6.15pm on Monday, 18 May 2009.