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COUNCIL

Wednesday, 19 May 2021

Present: The Civic Mayor (Councillor Tony Smith) in the
Chair
Deputy Civic Mayor (Councillor George Davies)

Councillors	T Anderson	K Greaney	S Mountney
	B Berry	JE Green	Y Nolan
	J Bird	EA Grey	C O'Hagan
	M Booth	S Hayes	C Povall
	A Brame	A Hodson	L Rennie
	D Brennan	K Hodson	J Robinson
	D Burgess-Joyce	J Johnson	L Rowlands
	H Cameron	AER Jones	S Spoor
	I Camphor	C Jones	P Stuart
	C Carubia	S Jones	Jason Walsh
	W Clements	T Jones	S Whittingham
	M Collins	M Jordan	I Williams
	H Collinson	S Kelly	KJ Williams
	T Cox	B Kenny	S Williams
	S Foulkes	I Lewis	J Williamson
	S Frost	M McLaughlin	G Wood
	A Gardner	J McManus	A Wright
	P Gilchrist	P Martin	
	H Gorman	D Mitchell	

<u>Apologies</u>	Councillors	K Cannon	E Gleaves
		P Cleary	P Hayes
		C Cooke	C Spriggs
		A Corkhill	Joe Walsh
		T Cottier	

1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Members of the Council were invited to consider whether they had any disclosable pecuniary and/or any other relevant interest in connection with any matters to be determined at this meeting and, if so, to declare it and state the nature of such interest.

No such declarations were made.

2 **CIVIC MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Civic Mayor noted that apologies for absence were received from Councillors Kate Cannon, Pat Cleary, Chris Cooke, Andy Corkhill, Tony Cottier, Emily Gleaves, Paul Hayes, Chris Spriggs and Joe Walsh.

The Civic Mayor referred to the passing of former Mayors Margaret Green and Geoffrey Watt, since the Council had last met in person.

The Civic Mayor thanked all those who had supported him and the Mayoress throughout the past two years and in particular, those members of staff in the Civic Services office, Sue Carroll, Sonia Norman and Paul Stead for all their hard work and support. He also thanked all those in organising events and those who supported them in raising money for his two charities, Dementia Together Wirral and the Open Door Centre.

The Civic Mayor also referred to a number of the highlights of the many and varied engagements he and the Mayoress had undertaken and also to the difficulties faced during the time of the pandemic.

3 **ELECTION OF CIVIC MAYOR 2021/22**

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

On a motion moved by Councillor Janette Williamson, seconded by Councillor Tom Anderson and, in the absence of any other nominations, it was:

Resolved (unanimously) – That Councillor George Davies be elected Civic Mayor of the Metropolitan Borough of Wirral for the 2021/22 municipal year.

Councillor Davies proceeded to make his declaration of acceptance of office and the retiring Civic Mayor, Councillor Smith vacated the Chair. Councillor Davies occupied the Chair.

The new Civic Mayor welcomed his guests and spoke to his election.

4 **DEPUTY CIVIC MAYOR 2021/22**

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

On a motion moved by Councillor Janette Williamson, seconded by Councillor Tom Anderson, and in the absence of any other nominations, it was:

Resolved (unanimously) – That Councillor Jeff Green be appointed Deputy Civic Mayor of the Metropolitan Borough of Wirral for the 2021/22 municipal year.

Councillor Green proceeded to make his declaration of acceptance of office.

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