

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the **COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF GOSPORT** was held in the Ballroom of the **THORNGATE HALLS, BURY ROAD, GOSPORT** on **WEDNESDAY**, the **SIXTEENTH** day of **MAY 2018** at **11.00AM.**

Attendance:

The Mayor (Councillor Mrs Batty) (P) (in the Chair);

Mrs Ballard, Bateman (P), Beavis, (P), Rev. Blackman (P) Burgess (P), Carter (P), Casey (P), Chegwyn, Mrs Cully (P), Earle (P), Farr (P) Foster-Reed, Mrs Furlong (P), Hammond, Herridge, Mrs Hook (P), Hook (P), Hicks, Mrs Huggins, Hutchison (P) Hylands, Jessop (P), Johnston, Mrs Jones (P), Miss Kelly (P), Mrs Morgan, Murphy, Pepper (P) Philpott (P), Mrs Prickett, Raffaelli (P), Scard (P), Mrs Westerby (P).

Also in attendance: Honorary Freeman O'Neill and Honorary Aldermen Gill, Hayward, Kimber, Miles and Mrs Snaith-Tempia.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for inability to attend the meeting were submitted on behalf of Honorary Freeman Hewitt, Councillors Chegwyn, Mrs Huggins, Herridge Hylands, Johnston, Mrs Morgan, Murphy, and Prickett.

INTRODUCTION OF NEWLY ELECTED COUNCILLORS

Councillors Rev. Blackman, Casey, Hutchison, Pepper and Mrs Westerby were introduced in Ward order by the Chief Executive and welcomed by the Mayor.

The Councillors replied briefly.

ELECTION OF MAYOR

PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR HOOK
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BURGESS

That Councillor Mrs Furlong be elected Mayor of the Borough of Gosport for the Municipal Year ending May 2019.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Retiring Mayor thereupon vacated the Chair, which was taken by the newly elected Mayor, who made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

REPLY BY HER WORSHIP THE MAYOR

The new Mayor replied to the Council's resolution and returned thanks for her election.

THANKS TO RETIRING MAYOR AND CONSORT

PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR MRS HOOK
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MRS JONES

That the best thanks of the Council be accorded to Councillor Linda Batty, and Peter Batty for their services as Mayor and Consort respectively during the past Municipal Year.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

GOSPORT CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AND YOUTH AWARD

The Mayor awarded a Citizen of the Year Certificate and medallion to Mr Darren Fells for his eminent services to the Borough.

The Mayor awarded a Youth Award Certificate and voucher to Miss Lucy Young for her eminent services to the Borough.

ADJOURNMENT OF COUNCIL

PROPOSED BY THE MAYOR
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR HOOK

That the Council do now adjourn until 5.00pm on Thursday, 17 May 2018 at the Town Hall, Gosport.

CARRIED

The meeting ended at 12 noon.