

TOWN (PARISH) OF BRIDPORT

At the **ANNUAL TOWN (PARISH) MEETING** of the Town of Bridport, held in the Town Hall, Bridport on Tuesday 4 April 2017 at 6.00 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr Ros Kayes, Town Mayor
Chairman of Bridport Town Council (in the Chair)

13 elected members of the Town Council
34 members of the public (23 public, 2 press and 9 staff)

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Annual Town Meeting held on 5 April 2016 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Gill Massey.

3. BRIDPORT TOWN COUNCIL BUSINESS 2016/17

- (a) The Town Mayor, Cllr Ros Kayes gave a review of her Mayoral Year and the engagements she had undertaken as First Citizen of Bridport during the municipal year 2016/17.
- (b) The Leader of the Council, Cllr Sarah Williams gave her review of the municipal year 2016/17.
- (c) The Town Clerk reported on the activities of the Town Council during the municipal year 2016/17.

Copies of the reports from the Town Mayor, Leader of the Council and the Town Clerk were available at the meeting and subsequently on www.bridport-tc.gov.uk

4. ORGANISATIONS SUPPORTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL

Laura Cockett of the Arts Centre, Rovarn Wickremasinghe of the Citizens' Advice Bureau, Bruce Upton of the Museum and Nick Neale of the Leisure Centre gave reports on the activities of their organisations over the past year. These organisations are all supported under a Service Level Agreement. Margie Barbour spoke on behalf of the Youth and Community Centre.

Smaller organisation grant recipients present, who addressed the meeting, were Cleo Evans of Bridport Ukulele Project, George Egleton of Crisis and Care, Philip George of St Swithun's Band, David Martin of Wyvern Credit Union Ltd, Ian Bark Bridport Community Orchard Group, Simon Williams of HUGS, Alan Williams of WATAG, Vee Driscoll of Read Easy, Alan Trenergy of Port Bredy Allstars, Stan Williams of Axe Valley and West Dorset Ring and Ride, Rosalind Tarry of Bridport Chamber Orchestra, Lucy Hart of Melplash Agricultural Society, Barbara Vousdon

of Chancery House. The Town Mayor, on behalf of the Town Council, thanked all the speakers for their presentations and for all their work on behalf of the Town.

5. MATTERS CONCERNING TOWN AFFAIRS

There were no matters raised.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OTHER BUSINESS

There were no announcements.

The Town Mayor thanked those present for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at **7.20 pm**.