

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD AT THE GRANGE HALL, COVENTRY ROAD, SOUTHAM ON THURSDAY, 18<sup>th</sup> MAY 2023**

**Present:** The Mayor Cllr A John - In the Chair  
Councillors Cllr G Foster, Cllr L Ellard, Cllr A Walster,  
Cllr M Ray, Cllr N Savage, Cllr J Harrison, Cllr C Lambert & Cllr A Jamieson

**In attendance:** Town Clerk – Mrs D Carro, Mrs R Barnett, Cllr A Crump, Cllr T Bromwich,  
Cllr L Adam & Cllr G Padgham

**Apologies:** Cllr K Collier – Personal  
Cllr M Connors - Personal

**1. ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR**

It was moved by Cllr L Ellard and seconded by Cllr A Jamieson and unanimously.

**RESOLVED:**

**That Cllr A John be elected Town Mayor of Southam for the year 2023/2024**

**2. TOWN MAYOR'S ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE**

The Town Mayor made the Statutory Declaration of Acceptance of Office and took the Chair. As she is the current Town Mayor she was already invested with the Chain of Office. Cllr John thanked her fellow councillors for her appointment and announced that during her mayoral year she would raise funds again for Galanos House.

**3. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR**

It was moved by Cllr A Walster and was seconded by Cllr G Foster and unanimously.

**RESOLVED:**

**That Cllr Lee Ellard be appointed Deputy Town Mayor of Southam for the year 2023/2024**

The mayor invested both the new Deputy Mayor and the Deputy Mayor's consort Mr Clive Ellard with their Jewel of Offices. The new Deputy Mayor expressed her thanks to her fellow councillors and thanked the past Deputy Mayor Cllr Ray.

**4. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**RESOLVED:**

**That the apologies are accepted**

**5. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

**RESOLVED:**

**That the Minutes of the meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2023, having previously been circulated be confirmed and signed by the Town Mayor.**

**6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

There were no planning applications to consider.

There being no further business, the Town Mayor declared the meeting closed at 8.15pm and invited Councillors, members of the public and guests to join her for light refreshments.