

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD AT THE GRANGE HALL,
COVENTRY ROAD, SOUTHAM ON THURSDAY, 8TH MAY 2014**

Present: The Mayor Cllr J Ward - In the Chair
Councillors, C Worsh, M Willoughby, C Pratt, J Soni, E Thornley,
L Tasker, J Smith, D Smith & M Gaffney

In Attendance: Debbie Carro & Denise Sanders

1. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

RESOLVED:

That Standing Orders be suspended to allow the election of the Mayor and consider planning applications

2. ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR

It was moved by Cllr M Gaffney and seconded by Cllr J Soni and unanimously

RESOLVED:

That Cllr M Willoughby be elected Town Mayor of Southam for the year 2014/2015

3. TOWN MAYOR'S ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The Town Mayor made the Statutory Declaration of Acceptance of Office and took the Chair. He was invested with the Chain of Office by the former Mayor and he thanked his fellow councillors. Cllr Willoughby announced that his charities for the forthcoming year would be Marie Curie Cancer Care and Coventry and Warwickshire Air Ambulance

The past Mayor, Cllr Jason Ward thanked his Mayoress, Town Clerk, Deputy Clerk and the Grange Hall Administrator for all their hard work during his mayoral year and announced that funds raised during his year would be given to the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

4. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR

Cllr E Thornley proposed Cllr J Ward, seconded by Cllr J Smith and approved unanimously.

RESOLVED:

That Cllr Jason Ward be appointed Deputy Town Mayor of Southam for the year 2014/2015

The Mayor invested the new Deputy Mayor with the Jewel of Office. The new Deputy Mayor expressed his thanks.

5. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr B Thomas- Holiday
Cllr L Smith – Personal
Cllr V Shepherd – Personal
District Cllr A Crump

6. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 24th April 2014, having previously been circulated be confirmed and signed by the Town Mayor.

7. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

Council considered the applications for planning permission detailed on the schedule dated May 2014 upon which the Town Council had been consulted by Stratford District Council

There being no further business, the Town Mayor declared the meeting closed at 7.47 p.m. and invited Councillors, members of the public and guests to join him for light refreshments.

SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS B					
SOUTHAM TOWN COUNCIL - Mayormaking Meeting					
14/01045/FUL	Mr Wayne Fletcher	4 Hurst Road, Southam, CV47 1HY	Demolition of car port and erection of two storey extension to side, and single storey extension to front of dwelling	16th May 2014	No representations
14/00645/FUL	Mr A Keenes	50 Coventry Street, Southam, CV47 0EP	Change of use from offices (B1) to residential (C3)(No internal or external works proposed	16th May 2014	No representations