Mayoral Advisory Committee



Title:	Agenda		
Date:	Monday 15 February 2016		
Time:	3.30 pm		
Venue:	Mayor's Parlour West Suffolk Hou Western Way Bury St Edmunds IP33 3YU	se	
Full Members:	Chairman To be elected		
	<u>Conservative</u> <u>Members (5)</u>	John Griffiths Ian Houlder Margaret Marks	Sara Mildmay-White Peter Stevens
	<u>Charter Group</u> <u>Member (1)</u>	Bob Cockle	
	<u>UKIP Group</u> <u>Member (</u> 1)	Tony Brown	
Substitutes:	<u>Conservative</u> <u>Members (</u> 2)	Angela Rushen	Sarah Stamp
	<u>Charter Group</u> <u>Member (1)</u>	Diane Hind	
	<u>UKIP Group</u> <u>Member (</u> 1)	Jason Crooks	
Interests – Declaration and Restriction on Participation:	Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any disclosable pecuniary interest not entered in the Authority's register or local non pecuniary interest which they have in any item of business on the agenda (subject to the exception for sensitive information) and to leave the meeting prior to discussion and voting on an item in which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest.		
Quorum:	Three Members		
Committee administrator:	Claire Skoyles Democratic Services Officer Tel: 01284 757176 Email: claire.skoyles@westsuffolk.gov.uk		

Agenda

Procedural Matters

- 1. Election of Chairman
- 2. Apologies for Absence
- 3. Substitutes
- 4. Minutes 1 4

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 18 March 2015 (copy attached).

Part 1 - Public

5. Date of Next Meeting

Members are asked to **NOTE** that the next meeting will be held on Thursday 31 March 2016 at 1.00pm in GFR-13.

6. Exclusion of Press and Public

To consider whether the press and public should be excluded during the consideration of the following items because it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the public were present during the items, there would be disclosure to them of exempt categories of information as prescribed in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, and indicated against each item and, in all circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

Part 2 - Exempt

7. Mayoralty 2016/2017

To determine nominations for the offices of

- (a) Mayor; and
- (b) Deputy Mayor

of the Borough for 2016/2017 for formal submission to the Annual Meeting of the Council on 19 May 2016.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Mayoral Advisory Committee held on Wednesday 18 March 2015 at 3.30 pm at the Conference Chamber, West Suffolk House, Western Way, Bury St Edmunds IP33 3YU

Present: Councillors

Chairman Ian Houlder

John Griffiths Christopher Spicer Sara Mildmay-White

Substitutes attending:

Angela Rushen

By Invitation:Robert Everitt

7. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Farmer.

8. Substitutes

The following substitution was declared:

Councillor Rushen substituting form Councillor Farmer.

9. **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 10 February 2015 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

10. Review of Mayoral Year by current Mayor

Councillor Robert Everitt, the current Mayor of St Edmundsbury informed the Committee that he had thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity he had been given to represent the Borough as Mayor over the past year. He considered that the role was a valuable asset to the local authority with many contacts being made and all visits had been much appreciated. During his tenure, he had encouraged a number of schools to visit West Suffolk House and to meet the Mayor; through these visits he had been able to promote better

understanding of the role of the Council and hoped that such visits would continue in future. Councillor Everitt also thanked the Mayor's Secretary and Mayor's Driver for their continued support and their excellent work.

11. Mayor Making and Annual Meeting of the Council - 19 May 2015

The Committee considered report MAC/SE/15/001 (previously circulated) which asked Members to discuss, with officers, arrangements for the Annual Meeting of Council on 19 May 2015.

The following arrangements for 2015 were approved:

(1) Venue

The venue for 2015 would be the Apex.

(2) Rehearsal

The rehearsal would be held in Conference Room East in West Suffolk House on Friday 15 May 2015.

(3) Procession

It was agreed that the procession would assemble at the Guildhall at 12.30pm and start to process to the Apex by 12.45pm. The route was agreed as follows: from the Guildhall along Guildhall Street and into Cornhill. Turn left up Central Walk, across St Andrews Street South, up Gosnold Street and right into Charter Square. It was estimated that this would take 6 minutes.

(4) Mayor Making

Time – It was agreed that the start time for the Mayor Making would be 1pm.

Music – It was agreed that this would be provided by King Edwards School with an orchestra for the procession in and a choir during the robing of the new Mayor.

Presentations – Presentations would be made to the incoming Mayoress and Deputy Mayoress, and the outgoing Mayoress. The new Mayor would advise who would make the presentations.

Speeches – Proposing speeches would be limited to 3 minutes and seconders should do so without an additional speech.

Floral Decorations – Two pedestals for flowers would be located at either side of the stage. These could then be transported to the Athenaeum for the Civic Dinner that evening.

Public Address System – The Apex would provide the public address system.

Adjournment – It is anticipated that Mayor Making would conclude by 2pm and the top table and members would process from the auditorium. Tea and cakes would be provided on the first floor.

(5) Annual Meeting

Time – It was agreed that the start time for the Annual Meeting would be 3pm and it was anticipated that it would conclude by 4pm.

Seating - Seating would, as in previous years, be provided for Councillors and Council representatives, guests, schools and the general public.

Chaplain – Councillor Chung informed the Committee that he had approached Reverend Canon Matthew Vernon, Sub-Dean of St Edmundsbury Cathedral to be his Chaplain.

Proposers, Seconders and Votes of thanks – Members were also asked to consider proposers and seconders. The Mayor's Secretary would liaise with members regarding who would propose and second the election of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, and the relevant Votes of Thanks.

RESOLVED:

That the roles allocated and decisions taken in respect of the Annual Meeting of the Council 2015 be as detailed in (1) to (5) above.

12. Civic Dinner for the Outgoing Mayor and Mayoress, Councillor Robert Everitt and Mayoress - 19 May 2015

The Committee considered report MAC/SE/15/002 (previously circulated) which sought approval for various roles/decisions in respect of the Civic Dinner for the outgoing Mayor and Mayoress on 19 May 2015.

The following decisions were made:

- (1) Date and Time: Tuesday 19 May 2015 at 7.30 pm
- (2) Venue: The Athenaeum
- (3) Seating: Round tables of 8 or 10
- (4) Style: Formal civic dinner
- (5) Dress: Dinner jacket or dark lounge suit, uniform and decorations
- (6) Caterer: West Suffolk College
- (7) Bar: Sodexo
- (8) Reception: Chief Executive, Mayor and Mayoress
- (9) Table Arrangements: Mayor's Secretary
- (10) Table Flowers: Mayor's Secretary to arrange.
- (11) Grace: New Mayor's Chaplain
- (12) PA: John Roe
- (13) Ticket Price: provisionally £40.00.
- (14) Toasts:
 - (a) The Queen to be proposed by the Mayor;

- (b) The guests to be proposed by a serving councillor (tbc); and
- (c) Response by a guest (tbc).
- (15) National Anthem: One verse accompanied
- (16) Vote of Thanks: to be confirmed
- (17) Music: County Upper School, Bury St Edmunds
- (18) Guest List (Appendix A) The guest list was approved.

RESOLVED:

That the decisions taken in respect of the 2014 Civic Dinner for the outgoing Mayor and Mayoress, as detailed in (1) to (18) above, be implemented.

The Meeting concluded at 4.45 pm

Signed by:

Chairman