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# SOUTHEND-ON-SEA CITY COUNCIL

## Meeting of The Council

#### Date: Thursday, 11th May, 2023 Place: Council Chamber - Civic Suite

Present:Councillor K Robinson (Chair)<br/>Councillors B Beggs, M Berry, M Borton, H Boyd, K Buck, S Buckley,<br/>L Burton, P Collins, J Courtenay, D Cowan, T Cowdrey, T Cox,<br/>M Davidson, A Dear, M Dent, N Folkard, D Garston, S George,<br/>I Gilbert, S Habermel, J Harland, L Hyde, D Jarvis, A Jones, D Jones,<br/>J Lamb, A Line, R McMullan, J Moyies, C Mulroney, K Murphy,<br/>M O'Connor, M Sadza, M Stafford, M Terry, S Wakefield, C Walker,<br/>N Ward, J Warren, P Wexham, R Woodley, S Aylen, C Campbell,<br/>O Cartey, G Leroy, R Longstaff, C Nevin and D Richardson

Start/End Time: 3.30 - 5.05 pm

### 1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors F Evans and D Nelson.

#### 2 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest at this meeting.

### 3 Introduction of New and Returning Councillors

The Worshipful the Mayor welcomed to the meeting newly elected and returned Councillors who were elected at the Local Elections on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

### 4 Election of Mayor for Municipal Year 2023/24

On the nomination of Councillor Nigel Folkard, seconded by Councillor James Courtenay and with the unanimous support of the Council:

Resolved:

That Councillor Stephen Habermel be appointed to the Office of Mayor of the City of Southend-on-Sea for the Municipal Year 2023/24.

#### 5 Appointment of Mayor's Chaplain

The Worshipful the Mayor announced that he will be supported by Rev Claire Abraham during his year of office.

### 6 The Worshipful the Mayor's Charity

The Worshipful the Mayor announced that the Mayoral Charties for his year of office would be Havens Hospice and the Music Man Project.

### 7 Appreciation of Outgoing Mayor

Councillor Stephen George proposed and Councillor Aston Line seconded the motion having been supported by other speakers, it was unanimously:

Resolved:

That the best thanks of the Council be tendered to Councillor Kevin Robinson for the efficient and dignified manner in which he has performed the duties of the Office of Mayor during the past year, and for the ability and courtesy with which he has presided over the deliberations of this Council, and that as a token of the Council's appreciation of such service he be presented with a Past Mayor's Badge suitably inscribed and a Mayoral Album.

#### 8 Election of Deputy Mayor for Municipal Year 2023/24

On the nomination of Councillor Tricia Cowdrey, seconded by Councillor Mike Stafford, and with the unanimous support of the Council:

Resolved:

That Councillor Ron Woodley be appointed to the Office of Deputy Mayor of the City of Southend-on-Sea for the Municipal Year 2023/24.

Chair: