

Dorchester Town Council

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You are summoned to the Annual Meeting of the Dorchester Town Council in the Corn Exchange, Municipal Buildings, Dorchester on Monday 19 May at 7.00pm, to conduct the following business: -

1. To elect the Town Mayor of Dorchester for the period to the next Annual Meeting of the Council

Councillor T. James will propose that Councillor P. Mann be elected, and the proposal will be seconded by Councillor D. Roberts.

If there are no other nominations the motion will be put to the meeting, and on it being carried, the newly elected Town Mayor will make the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, be invested with the Mayor's Robe and Chain, and will then take the chair.

2. To elect the Deputy Mayor of Dorchester for the period to the next Annual Meeting of the Council

Councillor F. Kent-Ledger will propose that Councillor S. Jones be elected, and the proposal will be seconded by Councillor G. Jones.

3. To propose a vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor and Mayor's Consort for their services during the past year

Councillor S. Hosford will propose that the best thanks be accorded to the retiring Mayor, Councillor S. Jones, and retiring Mayor's Consort, Councillor T. Jones, and the proposal will be seconded by Councillor V. Allan.

4. To adjourn the Meeting until 7.00pm on Tuesday 20 May 2014.

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Additional Information for guests

- 1. At 7.00pm John Hallett, Mace Bearer, will invite guests to stand for the arrival of the Mayor.
- 2. The Mayoral party, led by Mace Bearers (John Hallett and Jeff Hodgson) will enter the Corn Exchange, followed by the retiring Mayor and Mayor's Consort, the Town Clerk, long serving Councillors in purple robes of the historic Borough's Aldermen, and then all other Councillors in black robes. The party will be completed by the new Mayor's Scout (John Reedie), Mayor's Guide (Lucy Armstrong) and the Town Beadle (Howard Payton).
- 3. After the proposal to elect the new Mayor has been carried, at the same time that Councillor Peter Mann is invested with the robe and chain by the retiring mayor, the new Mayoress, Mrs Sheila Mann, will be invested with a badge and chain by the retiring Mayor's Consort.
- 4. After making his Declaration of Acceptance of Office the new Mayor will make a speech.
- 5. After the proposal of thanks to the retiring Mayor has been carried, the new Mayor will present the Past Mayor's badge to Councillor Stella Jones, and the new Mayoress will present a Past Consort's badge to Councillor Trevor Jones.
- 6. The retiring Mayor, Councillor Stella Jones will then address the meeting.
- 7. At the adjournment of the meeting John Hallett, Mace Bearer, will invite those present to stand while the Mayor's party leaves the Corn Exchange.
- 8. Guests are invited to join the Mayor at a Reception after the meeting, with a welcome drink on arrival and a light buffet. It can take some time for the Mayor to receive all guests, and for your comfort we ask that you stay seated in the Corn Exchange until called by our members of staff.
- 9. When meeting the Mayor at the entrance to the Reception in the Town Hall please bear in mind that there are likely to be many more people waiting patiently
- 10. in a queue behind you. There will be plenty of opportunity later during the course of the Reception to talk to the Mayor.
- 11. If you need assistance to access the Town Hall on the first floor please advise a member of staff, who will arrange the use of the lift.
- 12. The Bar will be open downstairs until 9.00pm.