At the **ANNUAL MEETING** of the **DORCHESTER TOWN COUNCIL** held at the Corn Exchange, Municipal Buildings, Dorchester on Monday, 23rd May, 2011 at 7.00pm.

The Mayor (L.M. Phillips MBE) in the Chair.

PRESENT Councillors K.E. Armitage, D.J. Barrett, C.S. Biggs, R.M. Biggs, A.J. Canning, T.C.N. Harries, S.C. Hosford, T. James, E.S. Jones, G.M. Jones, Trevor Jones, F.E. Kent-Ledger, T.F. Loakes, A.J. Lyall, P.G. Mann, R.B. Potter, M.E. Rennie, D.S. Roberts and D. Taylor.

APOLOGY for absence was received from Councillor V.J. Allan.

1. ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR – 2011-12

It was proposed by Councillor F.E. Kent-Ledger, seconded by Councillor D.J. Barrett and

RESOLVED

That Councillor T. James be elected Town Mayor of Dorchester for the period 23rd May, 2011 to the next Annual Meeting of the Council.

Councillor James, having accepted the Office of Town Mayor and subscribed and made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office as required by the Local Government Act 1972, took the Chair and thanked the Council for the honour conferred upon her.

2. <u>ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR</u>

It was proposed by Councillor A.J. Canning, seconded by Councillor E.S. Jones and

RESOLVED

That Councillor S.C. Hosford be elected Deputy Town Mayor of Dorchester for the period 23rd May, 2011 to the next Annual Meeting of the Council.

3. VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING TOWN MAYOR

It was proposed by Councillor Trevor Jones, seconded by Councillor M.E. Rennie and

RESOLVED

That the best thanks of the Council be accorded to Mr. L.M. Phillips MBE for the efficient, dignified and courteous manner in which he has carried out the duties of Town Mayor during the past year.

Mr. Phillips was presented with a Past Mayor's Badge by the Mayor and Mrs. Phillips was presented with a Past Mayoress's Badge by the Mayor's Consort.

Mr. Phillips addressed the meeting.

4. <u>APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR'S CHAPLAIN</u>

The Mayor reported that, as a member of the Religious Society of Friends, she would not be appointing a Mayor's Chaplain but that members of the Dorchester Quaker Meeting would support her during her year of office.

One such member, Mr. Michael Pochin, introduced a short period of quiet reflection which was concluded by those present shaking hands.

5. **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

It was

RESOLVED

That this Meeting stand adjourned until 7.00pm on Tuesday, 24th May, 2011.

The Council rose at 7.41pm.

Mayor