

At the **SPECIAL MEETING** of the **DORCHESTER TOWN COUNCIL** held in the Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, Dorchester on Tuesday, 25th June, 2013:

PRESENT The Mayor (Councillor E.S. Jones) in the Chair

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

APOLOGIES for absence were received from Councillors V.J. Allan, D.J. Barrett, C.S. Biggs, R.M. Biggs and T.F. Loakes.

20. **FINAL ACCOUNTS 2012-13 & ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT**

The Council considered its draft Financial Review for 2012-13 together with the Audit Commission's Annual Return duly signed by the internal auditor. Members also had before them a report from the Council's Financial Services Provider on the key messages from the Financial Review.

It was

RESOLVED

That the draft Financial Review for 2012-13 be noted and that the Annual Return summarising the financial information contained in the Financial Review and incorporating the Annual Governance Statement be approved and signed by the Mayor and the Town Clerk accordingly.

21. **RETIREMENT OF TOWN CLERK**

The Mayor reminded Members that this was the final meeting of the Council which would be attended by Dennis Holmes, Town Clerk since 1987, and presented to him a copy of the list of Town Clerks since 1629, conveying the Council's best wishes for a long and happy retirement. She hoped that as many Members as possible would attend the farewell celebration in the Borough Gardens on Sunday, 30th June.

Mr. Holmes thanked the Council for their kind words and the sentiments expressed.

The Council rose at 7.19pm.

Mayor