

Morpeth Town Council Annual Assembly 2021

Minutes of the Meeting held in the Corn Exchange of the Town Hall Morpeth Wednesday 17th March 2021

Present:

Councillors: D Bawn - Mayor
R Hogg - Deputy Mayor
A Byard
R Wearmouth

1 Member of the public was also in attendance.

Clerks: Mrs T Bell and Miss K Carter

Absent Councillors: Cllr L Cassie – Apologies Received (Personal)
Cllr N Bawn – No Apologies Received
Cllr N Best – No Apologies Received
Cllr J Gebhard – No Apologies Received
Cllr D Herne – No Apologies Received
Cllr K Holmes – No Apologies Received
Cllr J Parreira – No Apologies Received
Cllr A Tebbutt – No Apologies Received
Cllr J Tebbutt – No Apologies Received
Cllr R Thompson – No Apologies Received
Cllr J Wearmouth – No Apologies Received

205/20 Mayor's Welcome

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the Annual Assembly of the Town.

The Mayor introduced Councillors and Town Council staff to members of the public present.

206/20 To Confirm the Minutes of the Annual Assembly held on 17th April 2019

The Mayor advised that the minutes would be published on the Town Council website from Thursday 18th March 2021.

The Minutes of the Annual Assembly held on 17th April 2019 were confirmed as a true record.

There were no matters arising.

207/20 Annual Report 2020/2021

The Mayor, Councillor D Bawn, presented the Annual Report which reviewed the activities of the Town Council's year, along with his personal highlights as Mayor.

Various achievements and projects were highlighted, as well as the ongoing maintenance and management of many services in Morpeth.

The Mayor thanked Councillors, partners, contractors and staff for their work and support throughout what has been a difficult year.

There were no questions from Members of the Public regarding the Annual Report, however there was one question raised by Mrs K Bibby-Wilson.

'When was the covenant at Carlisle Park lifted?'

The Clerk advised that the process is ongoing. An agreement has been reached and the paperwork is now being dealt with by lawyers.

A premises license is also being sought for the Pavilion so that alcohol can be consumed on the premises.

The owner of the covenant has allowed the Town Council to release the covenant. He will make a toast with a glass of prosecco on the terrace.

The Clerk advised that there will be an opening ceremony, COVID-19 restrictions permitting.

There were no further questions from the public.

208/20 Closure

The Mayor thanked everyone for attending the formal business of the meeting, which concluded at 6:35 pm.