

**Kidderminster Town Council**  
**MINUTES of the meeting held on Wednesday 18th May 2022 at 6.00pm in the**  
**Music Room at Town Hall, Kidderminster**

Present: The Mayor (Councillor J. Smith)  
Councillors J. Aston, R. Bishop, D. Chambers, G. Connolly, K. Gale, N. Gale, D. Hine,  
B. Hopkins, S. Miah, F. Oborski MBE, M. Rayner, S. Rook, D. Ross and E. Stokes

**C.001 Apologies**

Councillors H. Dyke, T. Muir and J. Phillips.

**C.002 Election of the Town Mayor 2022/23**

It was proposed by Councillor D. Ross and seconded by Councillor E. Stokes that Councillor Kevin Gale be appointed the Town Mayor of Kidderminster for 2022/23.

On being put to the vote it was unanimous. The Town Mayor duly signed the Declaration of Office.

**RESOLVED:** - that Councillor K. Gale be appointed Town Mayor for Kidderminster for the 2022/23 Civic Year.

**C.003 Appointment of the Town Mayor's Chaplain**

The past Chaplain, Revd Canon Fr Tim Williams invested Reverend Betson with the Parish Stole. It was **RESOLVED** that Reverend Laura Betson be appointed Mayor's Chaplain for 2022/23.

**C.004 Election of the Deputy Town Mayor 2022/23**

It was proposed by Councillor R. Bishop and seconded by Councillor J. Smith that Councillor Darren Chambers be appointed the Deputy Town Mayor of Kidderminster for the 2022/23 Civic Year.

On being put to the vote it was unanimously. The Deputy Mayor duly signed the Declaration of Office.

**RESOLVED:** - that Councillor Darren Chambers be appointed Deputy Town Mayor for Kidderminster for the 2022/23 Civic Year

**C.005 Town Council Meeting**

The Town Mayor, Councillor Kevin Gale, adjourned the meeting, a date was yet to be confirmed.

The following items would be transacted on an alternative date.

- To receive and adopt Model Standing Orders.
- To receive and adopt Model Financial Regulations.
- To confirm authorisation for the bank mandate and agree to add Mr L Jakeman, (Chief Executive/RFO) as a signatory once in post.
- Mayoral Succession Planning.
- To note that the Council meets the criteria to continue to use the General Power of Competence.
- To agree Committee Representation & Appointments.
- To agree to a revised scheme of delegation which permits authority of spend for Councillors within their current budget areas.

- To agree the Meeting Schedule for the 2022/23 municipal year.
- To agree appointments to Outside Bodies.
- To receive an update on the Town Hall Development and LUF funding.
- To consider a report and to agree to progress with the Parks Transfer.
- Finance Report
  - Budget spend to date
  - Accounts paid and income received to date
  - To consider matters arising from the Finance and Overview Committee (if any)

The meeting ended at 8:10pm

Mayor

Date