

At the ANNUAL MEETING of the LEISTON-cum-SIZEWELL TOWN COUNCIL
Held in the COMMUNITY CENTRE, King Georges Avenue, Leiston, on TUESDAY,
17th MAY, at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT

Councillor D. E. Bailey
Councillor R. Bailey
Councillor D.R. Boast
Councillor A.M. Cooper
Councillor R. J. Geater
Councillor Mrs S. M. Geater
Councillor C. S. Ginger
Councillor T. J. Hawkins
Councillor T.E. Hodgson
Councillor W.H. Howard
Councillor J. N. Last
Councillor N. Parker
Councillor Mrs A.V. Nunn
Councillor A. J. Nunn
Councillor J. I. Sparrow

1. **Election of Chairman.** It was proposed by Cllr Howard and seconded by Cllr Bailey that Cllr Cooper be appointed Chairman for 2011/2012. Cllr Howard told members how he believed that Cllr Cooper had represented the Council extremely well in the community over the last year and that he would continue to do so again if given the opportunity. It was then proposed by Cllr Parker and seconded by Cllr Mrs Geater that Cllr Trevor Hawkins be given the opportunity to become Chairman for the coming year. Members agreed on a secret ballot which saw Cllr Cooper elected for a third term. Cllr Cooper then read and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Chairman and thanked members for their support and confidence.
2. **Minutes.** It was proposed by Cllr Ginger, seconded by Cllr Hodgson and agreed that the minutes for the meeting of 5th April 2011 be signed as a true record with an amendment to minute 189b) to reflect that the approval for the limited retention of the Sizewell boreholes came on an amendment to a motion which was tabled to refuse the indefinite retention. It was also requested that a factual inclusion be inserted in minute 183 to clarify that that Cllr John Geater did not serve on the District Council for the four years from 1995.
3. **Apology.** There were no apologies.
4. **Chairman's Report for 2010/2011 (Councillor Tony Cooper).**

A copy of the Chairman's written report was available to all attendees at the meeting and is attached to the official minutes.

5. **Appointment of Vice-Chairman.** It was proposed by Cllr Ginger and seconded by Cllr Mrs Nunn that Cllr Hodgson be appointed Vice Chairman for 2011/2012. With no other nominations members confirmed Cllr Hodgson's appointment.

6. **Composition of Working Parties and Representation on Other Bodies.**

Members gave their preferences as to which Committees, Working Parties or Organisations requiring a representative from the Council they wished to be involved with for the coming year. With four new Councillors it was a chance to reconfigure the make up of many of the Committees and a full list is attached to these minutes.

7. **Signatories for Cheques.** It was proposed by Cllr Sparrow, seconded by Cllr Bailey, and agreed that, in addition to the Town Clerk, signatories for Town Council cheques should include any two of the following Councillors: - Cllr C.S. Ginger, Cllr T.E Hodgson, Cllr A.M. Cooper, Cllr W. H. Howard and Cllr Mrs A.V.Nunn.

8. **Loan of Artefacts.** The Clerk reported that various artefacts, including a working model steam tractor in a glass case, a wooden model steam lorry, a Garrett bust on a plinth, a collection of Garrett hats and a trunk, were on loan at the Long Shop Steam Museum. He further reported that the School Bell from the former Church of England Elementary School in Waterloo Avenue was similarly on loan at the Primary School. It was proposed by Cllr Hodgson, seconded by Cllr Nunn and agreed that these loans should continue. (Cllr Hawkins, Cllr Cooper and Cllr Nunn declared a personal interest in the Long Shop items.)

There being no more business the meeting closed at 7.55 p.m.

Chair _____

Dated _____