



Wednesday 26 October 2016, 8 pm, Coronation Hall

In attendance

Community Councillors: Jonathan Bacon, Stuart Dean, Jon Jordan, Philip Lord, Patrick Thompson, Valerie Whyte, Mike Wilson and Peter Wyatt

Council Officers: Lesley Baillie, Andy Hunter, Annette McEnaney

1. Welcome

Andy Hunter, Depute Returning Officer (DRO) welcomed everyone and congratulated the new Community Councillors on being elected.

2. Apologies

John Anderson, Danny Conroy, Marlene White and Matthew Pease

3. Opening Remarks

Andy explained the process for the election of a Chairperson.

4. Election of Chairperson

Andy called for nominations, the first nomination received was

Nominee: Mike Wilson

Proposer: Stuart Dean

Secunder: Jon Jordan

Mike accepted the nomination at this point and asked that others come forward. Peter proposed Marlene White, in her absence, however Stuart said that Marlene had intimated that due to business commitments she felt that she could not take on any of the office bearer roles.

Mike Wilson then proposed John Anderson, in his absence, this was seconded by Philip Lord. Stuart read out a statement from John saying that he would prefer not to take on the role of Chair however he would be prepared to do it on a temporary basis. John's nomination would go forward.

There were no more nominations forthcoming. Andy explained that as there were two nominees, a vote would be required. It was agreed that a show of hands would suffice. It was at this point that a discussion took place with regard to the role of the Chair and the other office bearers, in particular the secretary. As a result of this discussion, Mike declined his nomination stating that he would prefer to be Vice Chair until he felt he had enough experience to take on the role of Chair.

After this discussion, Lesley reminded the Community Council that although the governance framework under which the Community Council operates dictates the minimum number of office bearers they must have it does not define the roles. Community Councils can adapt roles to suit the level of commitment that individuals are able to give.

The Community Council then agreed the following: Mike would take on the role of temporary Chair for the remainder of the meeting and until John returned from his trip. The election of the other office bearers would be postponed until the next meeting which they would hold as soon as they could get the majority of the Community Council together. Stuart would remain as the point of contact until the role of secretary was filled.

5. Depute Returning Officer hands over to the Chairperson (temporary).

The council officers left at this point.