

**THATCHAM TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of a meeting of**  
**Thatcham Town Council**  
**held on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at 15.00hrs**  
**at the Frank Hutchings Community Hall, Harts Hill Road, Thatcham**

Present: Councillors Suzanne Adamantos, Jeff Brooks, Mike Cole, Lee Dillon, Owen Jeffery, Mark Lillycrop, Dave Lunn, Jay Lunn, Tom McCann, Justin Pemberton, Petra Pemberton, Ben Schiffer-Harte and Val Watts

In attendance: Mel Taylor (Town Clerk), Laura Carlin (Deputy Town Clerk) and Hayley Scard (Civic Officer)  
 86 Dignitaries, invited guests and members of public

**FULL/2024/032 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Jeremy Cottam, Iain Cottingham, Simon Pike and Stephanie Steevenson.

**FULL/2024/033 ELECTION OF MAYOR FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2024/25**

Councillor Lillycrop called for nominations for the role of Mayor of Thatcham for the municipal year 2024/25 and Councillor Brooks proposed Councillor Adamantos. This was seconded by Councillor Cole. There were no other nominations.

**RESOLVED** unanimously that Councillor Suzanne Adamantos be elected to serve as Mayor of Thatcham for the municipal year 2024/25.

*Councillor Adamantos took the chair*

**FULL/2024/034 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE AND THE MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councillor Adamantos read and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and thanked Councillors for their nomination.

Councillor Adamantos announced her husband, Micky Adamantos, as her Consort.

Councillor Adamantos announced that her chosen charities for the year would be Thatcham Youth and Cruse Bereavement Support.

**FULL/2024/035 VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR**

Councillor Cole proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor, Councillor Lillycrop, for his service as Mayor during the year 2023/24. This was seconded by Councillor Jeffery.

**RESOLVED** unanimously that a vote of thanks be recorded to Councillor Lillycrop.

**FULL/2024/036 RETIRING MAYOR'S RESPONSE**

Councillor Lillycrop responded with highlights of his Mayoral year and thanked Council Officers and fellow Councillors for their support. Councillor Lillycrop thanked Councillor Adamantos for being his Deputy Mayor, and his Mayoress, Mrs Jenny Lillycrop, for her support.

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**FULL/2024/037 APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2024/25**

Councillor Adamantos proposed Councillor P Pemberton as Deputy Mayor for the municipal year 2024/25. This was seconded by Councillor Schiffer-Harte. There were no other nominations.

**RESOLVED** unanimously that Councillor Petra Pemberton be appointed to serve as Deputy Mayor for the municipal year 2024/25.

**FULL/2024/038 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE AND DEPUTY MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councillor Pemberton read and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and thanked Councillors for their nomination. Councillor Pemberton announced her husband, Justin Pemberton, as her Consort.

**FULL/2024/039 DATE OF NEXT COUNCIL MEETING**

The Mayor thanked everyone for attending and advised that the second part of the Annual Meeting of Thatcham Town Council would take place on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Brownsfield Road.

Everyone present was invited to partake in light refreshments.

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 15:40hrs.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_