MINUTES OF THE **SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL** HELD ON **WEDNESDAY 26th JUNE 2019** AT 6.30 P.M. AT THE TOWN HALL, 9 DEVON SQUARE, NEWTON ABBOT

PRESENT:

Councillors R Jenks (Mayor) Presiding

M Joyce (Deputy Mayor)

Councillors

Mrs C Bunday R Hayes
D Corney-Walker M Hocking
Mrs K Crout D Howe
C Davieson C Jenks

R Hall Mrs L Sheffield

In attendance: Mrs S Scott – Deputy Town Clerk

Mrs A Robinson - Committee Administrator

MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Prior to the start of the meeting, the Mayor announced that he had recently attended the HMS Triumph Affiliates Day at Devon port. Following a thoroughly enjoyable day, he had invited Commander Waller RN to attend a future meeting of the Council.

80. STANDING ORDER

Prior to the start of the meeting the Mayor informed Members that since it was a Special Meeting of the Council conducted to consider specific matters of the Council; that under Standing Order item 34 he would suspend that part of the Standing Order 14 where it referred to 'Standing when Speaking' for the duration of the meeting only.

RESOLVED under Standing Order 34 to suspend that paragraph of Standing Order 14 where it referred to 'Standing When Speaking' for the duration of the meeting only.

81. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors B Hayes, Mrs A Jones and M Pilkington and Phil Rowe the Town Clerk.

82. INTERESTS

None declared.

83. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2018/19

The Mayor invited the Deputy Clerk to report on the Annual Return for 2018/19. The Deputy Clerk reported to Members that the Internal Auditor had completed the work thereby ensuring that the Council met its statutory requirements in approving the Annual Return by 30th June 2019.

In accordance with Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 consideration was given to the Annual Governance Statement 2018/19 which formed Section 1 of the Annual Return (previously circulated). Arising from the consideration, it was

RESOLVED that Section 1 of the Annual Return, the Annual Governance Statement for the year ended 31st March 2019, be hereby approved; signed by the Mayor and the Responsible Financial Officer and be submitted to PKF LittleJohn LLP.

84. ACCOUNTING STATEMENT 2018/19

In accordance with Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 consideration was given to the Accounting Statement 2018/19 which formed Section 2 of the Annual Return (previously circulated). The Mayor, on behalf of the Council, offered his thanks to the Clerk and Deputy Clerk on their work to complete the Annual Return.

Arising from the consideration, it was

RESOLVED that Section 2 of the Annual Return, the Accounting Statement for the year ended 31st March 2019, be hereby approved; signed by the Mayor and the Responsible Financial Officer and be submitted to PKF LittleJohn LLP.

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