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ADJOURNED ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING AND MAYOR MAKING CEREMONY OF TRURO CITY COUNCIL HELD IN TRURO METHODIST CHURCH, UNION PLACE, ON MONDAY 9 JUNE 2025 at 7.00 pm

PRESENT: The Mayor (Honorary Freeman Wells),
Councillors: Biscoe, Claxton, Douglas-Martin (Deputy Mayoress) Eathorne-Gibbons, Green, Knuckey, Rabey (previous Mayor), Rich (Deputy Mayor), Southcombe, Stokes, Sunderhauf, Swain, Tann, Tucker, Webb and Wetherill.

APOLOGIES: Councillors: Mrs Carlyon, La Borde, Mephram, Nolan and Pascoe

ABSENT: Griffiths,

Also in Attendance: Miss Nicola Carveth (Mayoress), Reverend Andy Boorne (Mayor's Chaplain), Mr Graham Ford (previous Deputy Mayor's Consort), Incoming & outgoing Mayor's Cadets Marcus Drysdale and Aidan Nelson), David Rodda MBE, Town Clerk, Esther Greig, Deputy Town Clerk and RFO and Cheryl Simpson, Committee Clerk. Members of the Public.

PRAYERS

Prior to the commencement of the Mayor Making Ceremony, the Mayor requested his chaplain, Reverend Boorne to say prayers.

- 1 **TO WELCOME THE MAYOR FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2025/2026**
The Mayoral party processed into Truro Methodist Church and the Town Clerk welcomed all to the Mayor-Making Ceremony. 25/179
- 2 **DISCLOSURE OR DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
There were no disclosures or declarations of interest. 25/180
- 3 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
Apologies for absence were **noted**. 25/181
- 4 **THE MAYOR TO TAKE AND SIGN THE DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE**
Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons noted that Honorary Freeman Wells had been elected Mayor of the City of Truro for the Municipal Year 2025/2026. Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons then spoke to the audience, followed by Councillor Webb. The Mayor then took and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office as Mayor of the City. The Mayor was then robed before the Mayoral party processed back into the Church. During the interval, guests were entertained by Richard Trethewey. 25/182

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5 COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

The Mayor informed the Council that he had appointed Miss Nicola Carveth to be his Mayoress. He had also chosen the Reverend Andy Boorne of Kenwyn Church to be his Chaplain during his term of office. The assembly stood for a prayer led by Reverend Boorne.

The Mayor announced that the Mayor's Civic Service will be held at 4.00 pm in Truro Cathedral on Sunday 15 June 2025. Further, the charities he had chosen to support during his Mayoralty were Young People Cornwall and a fund for Truro's Community Groups. 25/183

6 FOR THE FORMER MAYOR TO RECEIVE A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FOR HER SERVICE IN 2024/2025

Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons noted that Council had placed on record its sincere thanks and appreciation to Councillor Swain for the manner in which she has carried out her duties as Mayor of the City of Truro during the Municipal Year 2024/2025. This was echoed by the Deputy Mayor.

The Mayor was duly presented with a Former Mayor's badge as well as a Certificate of Appreciation for her service during the Municipal Year 2024/2025. 25/184

7 THE MAYOR TO RECEIVE THE KEY TO THE CITY

Councillor Swain then addressed the assembly before passing the Key to the Mayor for custody and safekeeping during the Municipal Year 2025/2026. She then returned to her place in the audience. 25/185

8 TO WELCOME THE DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2025/2026

In Councillor Pascoe's absence, the Town Clerk noted that Councillor Rich had been elected Deputy Mayor of the City of Truro for the Municipal Year 2025/2026. This was then supported by Councillor Southcombe. 25/186

9 THE DEPUTY MAYOR TO TAKE AND SIGN THE DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The Deputy Mayor took the Declaration of Acceptance of Office as Deputy Mayor of the City of Truro. He announced that he had appointed Councillor Douglas-Martin to serve as his Deputy Mayoress for the Municipal Year 2025/2026. 25/187

10 CLOSURE OF MEETING

It was proposed by the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Swain, and **RESOLVED** that the Council's Annual meeting was now closed. 25/188

The meeting closed at 19:48.

A reception was then held in the Large Meeting Room for civic and other invited guests.

E. H. Webb

MAYOR

20th June 2025

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