

**COUNCIL**

**MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, SOUTHPORT  
ON THURSDAY 9TH MAY, 2013**

PRESENT: The Mayor (Councillor M. Fearn) (in the Chair)  
The Deputy Chair (Councillor K. Cluskey) (Vice  
Chair)

Councillors Ashton, Atkinson, Ball, Bennett, Booth,  
Bradshaw, Brennan, Byrom, Carr, L. Cluskey,  
Crabtree, Cummins, Cuthbertson, Dawson, Dorgan,  
M. Dowd, P. Dowd, Dutton, Lord Fearn, Friel,  
Gatherer, Hardy, Hands, Hartill, Hubbard, Jones,  
Keith, John Kelly, John Joseph Kelly, Kermode,  
Kerrigan, Killen, P. Maguire, Maher, Mahon,  
McGinnity, S. McGuire, Mclvor, McKinley, Moncur,  
Page, Papworth, Preece, Rimmer, Roberts,  
Robertson, Roche, Sumner, Tweed, Veidman,  
Sir Ron Watson, Weavers, Webster and Welsh

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Blackburn, Brodie –  
Browne, Dodd, Fairclough, Gustafson, Lappin, Murphy, Robinson, Shaw  
and Tonkiss.

**2. ELECTION OF MAYOR FOR 2013/14**

It was moved by Councillor Robertson, seconded by Councillor Lord Fearn  
and unanimously

RESOLVED

That Maureen Fearn, J.P., a Councillor of the Borough, be elected Mayor  
of the Borough for the ensuing Municipal Year and until the acceptance of  
office by her successor.

Councillor M. Fearn then made a Declaration of Acceptance of Office and  
took the Chair for the meeting.

**3. ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIR FOR 2013/14**

It was moved by Councillor P. Dowd, seconded by Councillor Maher and  
unanimously

RESOLVED:

That Kevin Cluskey, a Councillor of the Borough, be elected the Deputy Chair of the Council for the ensuing Municipal Year and until the acceptance of office by his successor.

#### **4. VOTE OF THANKS FOR RETIRING MAYOR**

It was moved by Councillor P. Dowd, seconded by Councillor Maher and unanimously

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the Council does hereby place on record its appreciation of the ability, courtesy and impartiality, shown by Councillor Kevin Cluskey in his capacity as Mayor of the Borough and Chair of the meetings of the Council, during the Municipal Year 2012-2013 and for his attendance at many civic and public functions, both inside and outside of the Borough;
- (2) the Council also desires to extend its thanks to Councillor Mrs. Linda Cluskey for her support and encouragement given to the Mayor;
- (3) the Council wishes to record its appreciation of the excellent effort and involvement by both Councillor Kevin Cluskey and Councillor Mrs. Linda Cluskey in connection with the Mayor of Sefton's Charity Fund;
- (4) the Council further desires to extend its sincere thanks to Councillor Kevin Cluskey and Councillor Mrs. Linda Cluskey for the hospitality extended to Royal Visits, Overseas Visitors, Civic Dignitaries and Twinning Officials hosted by this Borough; and
- (5) a copy of the Resolution be passed under the Corporate Seal and presented to Councillor Kevin Cluskey.

Councillor Kevin Cluskey and Councillor Mrs. Linda Cluskey were then presented with framed copies of the Vote of Thanks as tokens of the Council's appreciation of the manner in which they had undertaken their duties in the Office of Mayor during the past twelve months.

Councillor Kevin Cluskey responded to the Vote of Thanks and expressed his appreciation to his Mayoress, Councillor Mrs. Linda Cluskey, the members of the public, various organisations and Council officers who had supported him during his Year of Office.

#### **5. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

It was moved by Councillor P. Dowd, seconded by Councillor Maher and

RESOLVED:

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That the meeting be adjourned and the Council re-convene on Tuesday, 14 May 2013 at 6.30 p.m. in Bootle Town Hall.