COUNCIL

ANNUAL MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, SOUTHPORT ON TUESDAY 17TH MAY, 2016

PRESENT: The Mayor (Councillor Brodie - Browne) in the Chair

The Deputy Chair (Councillor Kevin Cluskey) Vice

Chair

Councillors Ashton, Atkinson, Ball, David Barton, Jo Barton, Bennett, Bliss, Booth, Burns, Byrom, Carr, Linda Cluskey, Cummins, Dams, Dawson, Dodd, Dutton, Friel, Gannon, Grace, Hands, Hardy, Jamieson, Keith, John Kelly, John Joseph Kelly, Lappin, Daniel Lewis, Dan T. Lewis, Maher, McCann, McGinnity, McGuire, McKinley, Moncur, Murphy, Brenda O'Brien, Michael O'Brien, O'Hanlon, Owens, Pullin, Pitt, Preece, Robinson, Roche, Roscoe, Sayers, Shaw, Spencer, Thomas,

Anne Thompson, Lynne Thompson, Veidman, Weavers, Webster, Bill Welsh and Marianne Welsh

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bradshaw, Brennan, Carragher, Fairclough, Jones, Page and Tweed.

2. ELECTION OF MAYOR FOR 2016/17

It was moved by Councillor McGuire, seconded by Councillor Hands and unanimously

RESOLVED:

That Iain Brodie-Browne, a Councillor of the Borough, be elected Mayor of the Borough for the ensuing Municipal Year and until the acceptance of office by his successor.

3. ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIR FOR 2016/17

It was moved by Councillor Maher, seconded by Councillor Hardy and unanimously

RESOLVED:

That Kevin Cluskey, a Councillor of the Borough, be elected Deputy Chair of the Borough 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 Maher, seconded by Councillor Hardy and unanimously

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the Council do hereby place on record its appreciation of the ability, courtesy and impartiality, shown by Mr Stephen Kermode in his capacity as Mayor of the Borough and Chair of the meetings of the Council, during the Municipal Year 2015/16, 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 Mrs Gwen Kermode 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 Mr Kermode and Mrs Kermode, in connection with the Mayor of Sefton's Charity Fund;
- (4) the Council further desires to extend its sincere thanks to Mr Kermode and Mrs Kermode for the hospitality extended to Royal Visits, Overseas Visitors and Civic Dignitaries hosted by this Borough; and
- (5) a copy of these Resolutions be passed under the Corporate Seal and presented to Mr Stephen Kermode.

Mr Stephen Kermode and Mrs Gwen Kermode 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.

Mr Kermode responded to the Vote of Thanks and expressed his appreciation to his Mayoress, Mrs Gwen Kermode, 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 Maher, seconded by Councillor Hardy and

RESOLVED

That the meeting be adjourned and Council re-convene on Thursday, 20 May 2016 at 6.30 pm at Bootle Town Hall.