

Borough of Douglas

Town Hall,

Douglas,

26th March, 2021

At a SPECIAL PRIVATE MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF DOUGLAS, duly convened and holden at 2.00 p.m. on FRIDAY, the 26th day of MARCH, 2021, held VIRTUALLY, by VIDEO CONFERENCE, at which Meeting the following Members were present, that is to say: -

The Mayor

MR COUNCILLOR JONATHAN JOUGHIN, JP

Councillors

Miss N.A. Byron	Mr S. Hamer
Mrs H. Callow	Mr D. Watson
Mr S.R. Pitts (from 2.05pm)	Mr F. Horning
Mrs R. Chatel	Mr R.H. McNicholl
Mr I.J.G. Clague, MBE	Mr J.E. Skinner
Mr D.W. Christian, MBE, JP	Ms K. Angela
Mrs C.E. Crawley	Mrs E.C. Quirk
Mrs C.L. Wells	Ms J. Thommeny
Mr A.J. Bentley	

The Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Director of Housing and Property and the Assistant Chief Officer (Regeneration) were in attendance.

1. Urgent Business – Item 1

Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, "That in respect of the calendar year 2021, Standing Orders be interpreted as though the Annual Meeting of the Council (Standing Order 1) will take place on the second Wednesday in August, the Special Council Meeting for appointment of Chairs and Committees (Standing Order 8) take place on the first Wednesday in August, the August recess take place in July, the general election of Councillors will take place on 22nd July, (or such other date as the Department of Infrastructure by Order appoints), and all references to dates and duration of Committees be interpreted accordingly, with the current Council coming to the end of its term of Office on 31st July, 2021."

Question put; Motion carried unanimously.

2. **Urgent Business – Item 2**

Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, "That in respect of the calendar year 2021, the recess in April during which no meetings of the Committees of the Council take place does not apply, and that Standing Orders 2 and 90 be interpreted accordingly."

Question put; Motion carried unanimously.

3. Executive Committee – 26th February, 2021

Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee, as contained in private report of meeting held on Friday, 26th February, 2021 (in relation to the nomination of a Member as Mayor of the Borough for the forthcoming municipal year), be received by the Council."

Question put; Motion carried unanimously.

4. Selection of Mayor

The Mayor called for nominations for a person to be selected to be Mayor of the Borough for the municipal term commencing on 11th August, 2021.

Councillor Mrs R. Chatel was nominated by Mr R.H. McNicholl, and seconded by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian.

No further nominations were received.

Question put; and Councillor Mrs R. Chatel was unanimously selected to serve as Mayor for the 2021/22 Municipal year.

5. Acceptance of Office by Mayor Select

Councillor Mrs R. Chatel announced her intention to accept the office of Mayor for the 2021/22 municipal year if confirmed at the Annual Council Meeting on 11th August, 2021.

6. Press Statement – Selection of Mayor

The Council approved the issue of a press release in the following terms:-

"Douglas Borough Council announces that at a Special Private meeting of the Council held on Friday, 26th March, 2021, Councillor Mrs R. Chatel was selected as Mayor for the municipal year ending Tuesday, 8th May, 2022 and signified her intention to accept the office if confirmed at the Annual Council Meeting on Wednesday, 11th August, 2021."

The Council rose at 2.24pm.

Town Clerk & Chief Executive

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