

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL HELD ON 23rd JULY 2013

PRESENT: Councillor J Garner (Chair), Councillors R Kingstone, M Clarke,

S Claymore, T Clements, D Cook, C Cooke, S Doyle, K Gant, M Gant, M Greatorex, G Hirons, A James, J Jenkins, A Lunn, M McDermid, R McDermid, K Norchi, J Oates, S Peaple, R Pritchard, S Pritchard, E Rowe, P Seekings, P Standen and

M Thurgood

The following officers were present: Anthony E Goodwin (Chief Executive) and Lara Allman (Democratic & Election Services Officer)

22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors L Bates, J Faulkner, D Foster and M Couchman.

23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

24 HONORARY FREEDOM OF THE BOROUGH - WATCHMAN'S HANDLER, WATCHMAN AND THEIR SUCCESSORS

It was moved by Councillor R Pritchard and seconded by Councillor S Peaple that the Council should confer the Title of Honorary Freeman of the Borough to Watchman's handler, Watchman and their successors in recognition of the roles historic service representing the fighting men and women of Tamworth and Staffordshire.

RESOLVED: In pursuance of the provisions of Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, the council permit the holders of the position of Watchman's handler, Watchman and their successors to hold Honorary Freedom of the Borough of Tamworth, in recognition of the roles historic service representing the fighting men and women of Tamworth and Staffordshire and this Council will meet in one month to consider giving the Freedom of the Borough to those members of all the branches of The Royal British legion, Royal

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Naval Association and Royal Air Force Association, based in Tamworth, who have served in Her Majesty's forces and all those currently serving in Her Majesty's forces who are residents of Tamworth, or were at school in Tamworth secondary schools (including Rawlett and St Francis Roman Catholic School if then resident in Tamworth) and those residents of Tamworth who, though not members of the aforesaid associations, can evidence that they are serving or have served in HM Forces either as a regular or as a reservist deployed in an operational theatre.

The Mayor