

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING**  
**OF HELSTON TOWN COUNCIL,**  
**HELD IN THE GUILDHALL, HELSTON,**  
**ON TUESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024 AT 12.00 NOON**

**Councillors:** M J Kenchington (Town Mayor) in the Chair

R J L Boase	T Grattan-Kane	P Williams
Mrs F N E Boase	G T Looker	
M H Thomas	P M Webb	
J Martin	P Andrew	

**Officers:** Miss P J Lavelle (Town Clerk)  
Miss A D Retallack (Deputy Town Clerk)  
Mrs A Thomas (Administrative Assistant)  
Ms A M Harris (Communications Officer)  
Mr R James (Projects Officer)

The Meeting was preceded with Prayers offered by Councillor Andrew.

**1. Election of Town Mayor for 2024/25**

(1) The Mayor declared his Term of Office ended and thereupon invited nominations for the Office of Town Mayor for the ensuing year. It was proposed by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Looker, "That Councillor Miles Jonathon Kenchington be elected Town Mayor for the year 2024/25".

There being no other nominations, the Town Clerk advised that the election would be conducted by means of the 'long vote' and upon an open call of the Members present, the voting was recorded as follows:-

Councillor R J L Boase	-	Voted for Councillor Miles Jonathon Kenchington
" Mrs F N E Boase	-	- ditto -
" M H Thomas	-	- ditto -
" J Martin	-	- ditto -
" T Grattan-Kane	-	- ditto -
" M J Kenchington	-	- ditto -
" G T Looker	-	- ditto -
" P M Webb	-	- ditto -
" P Andrew	-	- ditto -
" P Williams	-	- ditto -

It was thereby unanimously

RESOLVED – that Councillor Miles Jonathon Kenchington be elected Town Mayor for the ensuing year.

(2) The Members of the Council signed the record indicating the manner in which they had voted.

(3) The newly-elected Mayor, Councillor Kenchington, made his Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

- (4) The Town Clerk advised that apologies had been received from Councillors R Williams, Benyon, and Willey.
- (5) The Mayor then made his speech following which he formally appointed Reverend Danny Reed as his Chaplain for the ensuing year.
- (6) Mrs Thomas presented the Mayoress with a bouquet.
- (7) Mr Stuart Harvey and Mr Larry Poultney, having been appointed by the Mayor as Sergeant-at-Mace for the ensuing year, were duly sworn to Office by the Town Clerk.

**2. Appointment of Deputy Town Mayor**

On the proposition of the Councillor Thomas, seconded by Councillor Martin, it was unanimously

RESOLVED – that Councillor Mrs Felicity Nicola Eileen Boase be appointed as Deputy Town Mayor for the ensuing year.

The Deputy Mayor then made her speech.

**3. Adjournment**

On the proposition of the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Thomas, it was

RESOLVED – that the Council Meeting stood adjourned until 7.00 pm on Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024 in the Council Chamber.

**Meeting closed 12.24 pm**

**Confirmed**

**Town Mayor**