



City and County of Swansea

Minutes of the Ceremonial Council

Council Chamber, Guildhall, Swansea

Saturday, 27 July 2019 at 10.00 am

Present: Councillor P M Black (Chair) Presided

Councillor(s)

C Anderson
J E Burtonshaw
M C Child
J P Curtice
C R Doyle
M Durke
V M Evans
C R Evans
W Evans
R Francis-Davies
S J Gallagher
L S Gibbard
D W Helliwell
T J Hennegan

Councillor(s)

C A Holley
P R Hood-Williams
O G James
Y V Jardine
M H Jones
S M Jones
L R Jones
E T Kirchner
M B Lewis
R D Lewis
W G Lewis
A S Lewis
P Lloyd
I E Mann

Councillor(s)

P M Matthews
P N May
S Pritchard
C Richards
K M Roberts
P B Smith
R V Smith
A H Stevens
R C Stewart
G J Tanner
M Thomas
D W W Thomas
T M White

Officer(s)

Huw Evans
Adam Hill

Head of Democratic Services
Deputy Chief Executive / Director of Resources

Apologies for Absence

Councillor(s): N J Davies, A M Day, P Downing, K M Griffiths, J A Hale, B Hopkins, D H Hopkins, L James, J W Jones, E J King, M A Langstone, C E Lloyd, H M Morris, C L Philpott, A Pugh, J A Raynor, B J Rowlands, W G Thomas, L J Tyler-Lloyd and L V Walton

48. Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

The Chief Legal Officer gave advice regarding the potential personal and prejudicial interests that Councillors and / Officers may have on the agenda.

The Head of Democratic Services reminded Councillors and Officers that the "Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests" sheet should only be completed if the Councillor / Officer actually had an interest to declare. Nil returns were not required. Councillors and Officers were also informed that any declarable interest must be made orally and in writing on the sheet.

In accordance with the provisions of the Code of Conduct adopted by the City and County of Swansea no interests were declared.

49. To Confer the Honorary Freedom of the City and County of Swansea to 157 (Welsh) Regiment of the Royal Logistic Corps (RLC).

The Lord Mayor welcomed the Lord Lieutenant, High Sheriff, Civic Dignitaries, Distinguished Guests, Members of the Council and the 157 (Welsh) Regiment of the Royal Logistic Corps (RLC) to the Ceremonial Meeting of Council.

The Leader of the Council referred to the meeting of Council held on 20 December 2018 whereby Council resolved to confer the Honorary Freedom of the City and County of Swansea to the 157 (Welsh) Regiment of the Royal Logistic Corps (RLC).

The 157 (Welsh) Regiment of the Royal Logistic Corps (RLC), known colloquially as The Welsh Transport Regiment has a special friendship with the people of the City and County of Swansea. The Regiment's Squadron in Swansea started life within 53rd (Welsh) Divisional Train, Army Services Corps (ACS) whose origins date back to 1912. August, 1915 saw the 53rd (Welsh) Division take part in the landings at Gallipoli where it earned praise for its part in supplying ammunition to the 160th Brigade, now 160th Infantry Brigade and HQ Wales. Following the formation of the Royal Logistic Corps on 1 April 1993, 223 (Welsh) Squadron, Royal Corps of Transport (RCT) became 223 Artillery Support Squadron RLC. The 1998 Strategic Defence Review saw 223 Artillery Support Squadron RLC become 223 Transport Squadron RLC and in 2014, 223 (West Glamorgan) Transport Squadron RLC.

It was not only the Squadron that re-organised over the years, similarly in 2007, 157 (Wales and Midland) Regiment RLC was retitled The Welsh Transport Regiment RLC which became in 2014, 157 (Welsh) Regiment RLC as we know it today.

As titles have come and gone, the people within the Regiment have remained steadfast; support from the City and County of Swansea has also remained constant, ambassadors for our Armed Forces community at large.

The Leader of the Largest Opposition Political Group, the other Political Group Leaders, the Armed Forces Councillor Champion and Councillor J E Burtonshaw spoke in support of the motion.

Resolved that the Honorary Freedom of the City and County of Swansea be conferred on the 157 (Welsh) Regiment of the Royal Logistic Corps (RLC).

The Lord Mayor then presented the 157 (Welsh) Regiment of the Royal Logistic Corps (RLC) with the Honorary Freedom Scroll, granting it the Freedom of the City and County of Swansea.

Lieutenant Colonel Marcie Madams of the 157 (Welsh) Regiment of the Royal Logistic Corps (RLC) responded by thanking the Council for the honour.

The meeting ended at 10.23 am

Chair