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NEWTOWN AND  
LLANLLWCHAIARN  
TOWN COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL  
on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2017, 6.30 p.m.**

in the Council Chamber, Town Council Offices, The Cross, Newtown, Powys.

*The only item of business at the meeting was to formally confer the title of Honorary Freeman of the Town of Newtown and Llanllwchaiarn upon the late Mr David Pugh.*

Minute	Item	Action
2016-17/185	1	<p><b><u>ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:</u></b> To record attendance and apologies for absence.</p> <p><u>Present:</u> Cllr R Edwards (Mayor), Cllr J Barker, Cllr Dr G Bowker, Cllr T Chandler, Cllr R Clarke, Cllr S Hill, Cllr P Hough, Cllr V Howard, Cllr S Newham, Cllr D Selby, Cllr D Thomas, Cllr J Thorp, Cllr P Watkins, Cllr R White.</p> <p>The Mayor welcomed members of the council, the press and members of the public.</p> <p><u>Apologies for absence approved by Council:</u> None.</p> <p><u>Other apologies for absence received:</u> None</p> <p><u>Other Members not present:</u> Cllr J Ellis</p> <p><u>In attendance:</u> E J Humphreys (Town Clerk), S White (Council Support Officer).</p>
186	2	<p><b><u>DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS</u></b></p> <p>To receive declarations of interest from Members in accordance with Part III of the Local Government Act 2000, which established the Local Government Code of Conduct for Members (paper 2a-b).</p>
187	3	<p><b><u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</u></b></p> <p>To receive members of the public who wish to address the Council, in respect of any item of business included in the agenda. Any member of the public wishing to speak must notify the office of the Town Clerk no later than 15 minutes prior to the start of the meeting.</p>

188	4	<p><b><u>HONORARY FREEMAN OF THE TOWN OF NEWTOWN AND LLANLLWCHAIARN – THE LATE MR DAVID PUGH</u></b></p> <p>The Town Council has the power to grant the Honorary Freedom of the Town of Newtown and Llanllwchaiarn on persons of distinction in accordance with section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by Section 29 of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009.</p> <p>To receive the recommendation of Council, and to resolve to confer the title of ‘Honorary Freeman’ upon the late Mr David Pugh, in recognition of his outstanding service to the town of Newtown and Llanllwchaiarn to be proposed by Cllr R White seconded by Cllr V Howard.</p> <p>The Mayor, Cllr R Edwards extended a particular welcome to Mrs Anna Pugh, wife of the late Mr David Pugh and acknowledged Mr Pugh’s significant contribution to the local community. Cllr Edwards invited Cllr R white to make the formal proposal.</p>	
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Cllr D Thomas joined the meeting at this point

		<p>Cllr R White spoke about Mr. Pugh’s work within the community, including his time as Mayor, his contributions to the Newtown &amp; District Civic Society, the Newtown History Group and the “Newtonian” publication and the Hafren arts venue.</p> <p>Cllr White reported that nominations for Mr Pugh had been submitted both to the cabinet office for an honour plus to Welsh Government for a St David’s award. Unfortunately, neither of these honours can be awarded posthumously.</p> <p>Cllr White acknowledged his pleasure in being able to propose Mr Pugh for the newly established title of Honorary Freeman Of The Town Of Newtown And Llanllwchaiarn in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the town.</p>	
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Cllr G Bowker joined the meeting at this point

		<p>Cllr R Edwards (Chair) invited Cllr V Howard to second the proposal. Cllr Howard spoke of the late Mr. Pugh’s consistent commitment to working for the town and community. She conveyed her pleasure in seconding the proposal.</p>	
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	<p>Cllr P Watkins also spoke in favour of the proposal, highlighting Mr Pugh's significant contribution to the town council including as Mayor, preceding Cllr Watkins's own term as Mayor. He affirmed that it had been an honour to have served with Mr. Pugh.</p> <p><i>RESOLVED</i>  <i>'Council voted unanimously to confer the title of 'Honorary Freeman' upon the late Mr David Pugh, in recognition of his outstanding service to the town of Newtown and Llanllwchaiarn.'</i></p> <p>The Mayor, Cllr R Edwards invited Mrs Anna Pugh to accept the declaration on behalf of the late Mr. Pugh. Mrs Pugh thanked the council for the great honour. Cllr Edwards read aloud the inscription on the declaration.</p> <p>It was announced that an exhibition featuring the late Mr. Pugh's photographs, is planned at the Hafren venue.</p>	
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Meeting ended at 6.40 pm.

Chair:

Date: