

# Minutes

OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE

# Council



Listening Learning Leading

HELD AT 10.00 AM ON THURSDAY 11 DECEMBER 2014

COUNCIL CHAMBER, DISTRICT COUNCIL OFFICES, CROWMARSH  
GIFFORD

## Present:

Ann Midwinter (Chairman)

Margaret Turner, Anna Badcock, Roger Bell, David Bretherton, Dorothy Brown, Janet Carr, Celia Collett, MBE, Bernard Cooper, John Cotton, Kristina Crabbe, Philip Cross, Pat Dawe, Leo Docherty, David Dodds, Elizabeth Gillespie, Mark Gray, Will Hall, Tony Harbour, Marcus Harris, Neville F Harris, Stephen Harrod, Marc Hiles, Elizabeth Hodgkin, Malcolm Leonard, Lynn Lloyd, Judith Nimmo-Smith, Angie Paterson, Anne Purse, Christopher Quinton, Alan Rooke, David Turner, Michael Welply and Jennifer Wood.

## Apologies:

Joan Bland, Felix Bloomfield, Margaret Davies, Eleanor Hards, Paul Harrison, Imran Lokhon, Denise Macdonald, Bill Service, Robert Simister and Pearl Slatter tendered apologies.

**Officers:** Steve Bishop, David Buckle, Steven Corrigan, Jeanette Cox, Kathy Fiander, William Jacobs, Anna Robinson and Margaret Reed.

**Also present:** Catherine Tustian and Sarah Ducker.

## 31 Local Government Act 1972 - Honorary Alderman

Mr John Cotton, Leader of the council, moved and Mrs Celia Collett, Leader of the Independent Group, seconded the following motion:

That in accordance with section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, Council admits Mrs Ann Ducker, MBE as an Honorary Alderman of South Oxfordshire District Council in recognition of the eminent services that she rendered to the council and the local community for many years.

Mr Cotton noted that if Council agreed the motion Mrs Ducker would be the first councillor to appear on the past chairman, past leader and honorary alderman boards.

Mr D Turner, Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group, addressed Council in support of the motion.

**RESOLVED (unanimously)**

To admit Mrs Ann Ducker, MBE as an Honorary Alderman of South Oxfordshire District Council, in accordance with Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, in recognition of the eminent services that she rendered to the council and the local community for many years.

Councillor Ann Midwinter, Chairman of the council, presented Mrs Ducker's daughters, Catherine Tustian and Sarah Ducker, with an honorary alderman scroll.

Catherine and Sarah responded by thanking Council for the award for their mother.

Those present witnessed the unveiling of the Honorary Alderman's board now containing Mrs Ducker's name.

The meeting closed at 10:30 am

Chairman

Date