

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBER, WALLFIELDS, HERTFORD ON
TUESDAY 1 MARCH 2022, AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT: Councillor K Crofton (Chairman).
Councillors T Beckett, S Bell, R Bolton,
M Brady, E Buckmaster, S Bull, B Crystall,
A Curtis, B Deering, I Devonshire,
J Dumont, M Goldspink, J Goodeve, A Hall,
L Haysey, J Kaye, I Kemp, S Newton, T Page,
M Pope, C Redfern, S Reed, C Rowley,
P Ruffles, S Rutland-Barsby, D Snowdon,
T Stowe, N Symonds, R Townsend, A Ward-
Booth, G Williamson and C Wilson.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

James Ellis	- Head of Legal and Democratic Services and Monitoring Officer
Jonathan Geall	- Head of Housing and Health
Steven Linnett	- Head of Strategic Finance and Property
Katie Mogan	- Democratic Services Manager
Helen Standen	- Deputy Chief Executive
Ben Wood	- Head of Communications, Strategy and

Policy

355 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

356 HONORARY ALDERMEN

Councillor Haysey proposed and Councillor Goldspink seconded a motion that, pursuant to the provisions of Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, the title of Honorary Alderman be conferred on Phyllis Ballam, former member of East Hertfordshire District Council.

After being put to the meeting, and a vote taken, the motion was CARRIED unanimously.

RESOLVED - that, pursuant to the provisions of Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, the title of Honorary Alderman be conferred on Phyllis Ballam.

Phyllis Ballam received a framed certificate and a civic badge of office from the Chairman.

Councillor Haysey thanked Phyllis Ballam for her service to East Herts District Council and her continuing involvement with Ware Town Council.

Councillor Pope echoed the sentiments from the Leader and said Phyllis Ballam was extremely knowledgeable as a Councillor and was sorely missed when she left the Council. He said that he welcomed

the honour.

Councillor Ruffles said that the title of Honorary Alderman was an expectation that the recipient would continue to explain and honour the work of local government. He said that Phyllis Ballam continued to be a big presence in Ware and the wider District and said it was clear that the awarding of the title of Honorary Alderman was popular amongst current Members.

Councillor Kemp said he had learnt in a short time how much Phyllis Ballam was valued and respected by those in Ware and the surrounding areas. He said that she served four times as Ware Town Mayor and was currently assisting him as Town Mayor as his consort. He thanked Phyllis Ballam for her work.

Councillor Goldspink said that she had the pleasure of serving as Councillor with Phyllis Ballam for many years. She said that she was always impressed by her comments and contributions to the debates and her devotion to her ward. She said it was a great pleasure to work with her and wished her well with her new status.

Phyllis Ballam said that she was overwhelmed by the comments and said it had been a privilege serving with her fellow Members. She said that she hoped she achieved some good when serving and said that East Herts Council did wonderful work. She thanked the Council for the honour and their kind words.

The meeting closed at 6.45 pm

Chairman
Date