

Minutes

of a special meeting of the

Council

held on Wednesday 11 May 2016 at 7.00 pm

at the The Ridgeway, The Beacon, Portway, Wantage, OX12 9BY



Open to the public, including the press

Present:

Members: Councillors Mike Badcock (Chairman), Reg Waite (Vice-Chairman), Alice Badcock, Eric Batts, Matthew Barber, Ed Blagrove, Roger Cox, Margaret Crick, Katie Finch, Robert Hall, Debby Hallett, Jenny Hannaby, Anthony Hayward, Dudley Hoddinott, Simon Howell, Vicky Jenkins, Bob Johnston, Mohinder Kainth, Monica Lovatt, Sandy Lovatt, Ben Mabbett, Chris McCarthy, Chris Palmer, Helen Pighills, Julia Reynolds, Judy Roberts, Janet Shelley, Emily Smith, Henry Spencer, Elaine Ware and Catherine Webber

Officers: David Buckle, Steven Corrigan, Andrew Down, Jeremy Lloyd and Margaret Reed

Number of members of the public: 10

Co.58 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of councillors Yvonne Constance, Charlotte Dickson, St John Dickson, Stuart Davenport, Gervase Duffield, Mike Murray and Robert Sharp.

Co.59 Honorary Freedom of the district

At the Council meeting held in December 2015 Council resolved to request officers to convene a special Council meeting no later than the date of the annual Council meeting in May 2016 in order to grant the freedom of the Vale of White Horse district to 3 Regiment Royal Logistic Corps, 4 Regiment Royal Logistic Corps and The Rifles in recognition of their contribution to the service of the country and the residents of the Vale. Council considered the following motions.

A. Councillor Mike Badcock moved and Councillor Emily Smith seconded the following motion:

That in accordance with the provisions of section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 the Council awards 3 Regiment Royal Logistic Corps the Honorary Freedom of the Vale of White Horse in recognition of their service to the United Kingdom and contribution to the Vale community.

RESOLVED (unanimously)

To award 3 Regiment Royal Logistic Corps the Honorary Freedom of the Vale of White Horse, in accordance with the provisions of section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, in recognition of their service to the United Kingdom and contribution to the Vale community.

Councillor Mike Badcock, Chairman of the council, presented Lieutenant Colonel Corey Smalley, Commanding Officer of 3 Regiment Royal Logistic Corps with an honorary freedom scroll.

Lieutenant Colonel Corey Smalley responded by thanking Council for the award.

B. Councillor Reg Waite moved and Councillor Ben Mabbett seconded the following motion:

That in accordance with the provisions of section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 the Council awards 4 Regiment Royal Logistic Corps the Honorary Freedom of the Vale of White Horse in recognition of their service to the United Kingdom and contribution to the Vale community.

RESOLVED (unanimously)

To award 4 Regiment Royal Logistic Corps the Honorary Freedom of the Vale of White Horse, in accordance with the provisions of section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, in recognition of their service to the United Kingdom and contribution to the Vale community.

Councillor Mike Badcock, Chairman of the council, presented Major Helen Cook, Acting Commanding Officer of 4 Regiment Royal Logistic Corps with an honorary freedom scroll.

Major Helen Cook responded by thanking Council for the award.

C. Councillor Bob Johnston moved and Councillor Alice Badcock seconded the following motion:

That in accordance with the provisions of section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 the Council awards The Rifles the Honorary Freedom of the Vale of White Horse in recognition of their service to the United Kingdom and contribution to the Vale community.

RESOLVED (unanimously)

To award The Rifles the Honorary Freedom of the Vale of White Horse, in accordance with the provisions of section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, in recognition of their service to the United Kingdom and contribution to the Vale community.

Councillor Mike Badcock, Chairman of the council, presented Lieutenant Colonel Graham Cox, Commanding Officer of The Rifles with an honorary freedom scroll.

Lieutenant Colonel Graham Cox responded by thanking Council for the award and presented the council with a silver bugle, the emblem of the Rifles Regiment.

The meeting closed at 7.20pm