

**MINUTES OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 14TH MARCH 2018 AT CROMER PARISH HALL**

In attendance were:

Mayor Cllr. John Frosdick, Deputy Mayor Cllr. David Pritchard, Cllr. Tim Adams, Cllr. Tim Bartlett, Cllr. Jane Davies, Cllr. Gary Dickenson, Cllr. Richard Leeds, Cllr. Yvonne Nolan, Cllr. David Russell, Cllr. Mary Russell, Cllr. Brenda Stibbons and Cllr. Andreas Yiasimi.

Town Clerk Julie Chance, Deputy Clerk Janet Warner and Administration Assistant Sarah Woods.

North Norfolk District Councillors: Cllr. Hilary Cox, and Cllr. Nigel Pearce.

Guest speakers: Hamish Grice MRICS Chartered Surveyor, Cliveden Conservation and John Boisson, County Chairman (Norfolk) of the Royal British Legion.

Guests: Will Evans, Titanium Fireworks Limited, Brenda Skinner, Hughes Electrical.

Approximately 80 members of the public.

Town Crier Jason Bell opened the meeting with a cry.

Cllr. David Pritchard spoke in tribute to the former Mayor and Councillor Tony Nash, who sadly passed away in February 2018.

1. Welcome from Mayor of Cromer

Mayor Cllr. John Frosdick officially opened the meeting and introduced each of the Councillors, who were present. A special presentation was made to Maisie, who sent in a fireworks drawing to Cromer Town Council. As a thank you, she was presented with a framed copy of her picture, a mug, which had her picture printed on to it and some colouring pens. As an extra prize, Maisie was asked if she would like to press the button to start the New Years Day Fireworks 2019, which she accepted.

2. Minutes of Annual Town Meeting held on 15th March 2017

The minutes of the last Annual Town Meeting were approved and signed by the Mayor.

3. Guest speakers

Hamish Grice from Cliveden Conservation was introduced. He gave an interesting and informative insight into the work of Cliveden Conservation and the restoration work of Cromer War Memorial.

John Boisson, County Chairman (Norfolk) of the Royal British Legion was introduced. He gave a detailed account of his personal background and that of the Royal British Legion, with whom he has been employed for the past two years.

A town trader asked why the poppy collection box was collected from his shop in Cromer, before Remembrance Day? This question was passed to Cllr. David Pritchard for response. Cllr. Pritchard explained that he had just taken over the organising of the collection boxes and gave his personal guarantee, that from next year, all collection boxes would remain in situ until after Remembrance Sunday.

4. Questions from Electors

No questions received.

5. Presentation of grants from New Year's Day Fireworks event

The grants from the New Year's Day Fireworks event were presented.

6. Presentation of prizes from New Year's Day Fireworks photo competition

The prizes for the New Year's Day Fireworks Photography Competition were presented. Will Evans provided details of a new children's colouring competition, which will take place from 2019, the winner of which, will be awarded the prize of starting the next New Year's Day Fireworks display.

7. Presentation of Cromer Honours Awards, Mayor's Commendation and Youth Awards

The Cromer Honours Awards, Cromer Youth Award and Mayor's Commendation Awards were presented.

8. Mayor to read the Roll of Honour from the Memory Book

The Mayor read out the names of community stalwarts who had passed away during the previous year.

Mayor Cllr. John Frosdick officially closed the meeting.

Deputy Mayor Cllr. David Pritchard gave a vote of thanks to Cllr. Frosdick and his consort and presented her with flowers.

Mayor Cllr. Frosdick gave a final thank you to his colleagues and explained that it was a privilege and an honour to represent the town, as Mayor. He also said thank you to the Town Clerk, Deputy Clerk and Administration Assistant.

With there being no further business, the Mayor officially closed the meeting.