# **Taunton Charter Trustees**

You are requested to attend the Annual Meeting of the Taunton Charter Trustees to be held in the Committee Room 2 (CR2), The Deane House, Belvedere Road, Taunton TA1 1HE on Tuesday 4th June 2019 at 18:00.

#### Agenda

#### 1. Election of Mayor

The Clerk to the Charter Trustees to invite nominations from the Charter Trustees for the office of Mayor of Taunton. Once appointed, the Mayor will sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

# 2. Election of Deputy Mayor

The Mayor of Taunton to invite nominations from the Charter Trustees for the office of Deputy Mayor. Once appointed, the Deputy Mayor will sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

# 3. Appointment of Civic Marshal

The Mayor of Taunton to invite nominations from the Charter Trustees for the role of Civic Marshal.

Having been elected to office, the Mayor and Deputy Mayor will retire to be robed. Once they return to the John Meikle Room, the Mayor will briefly address the Charter Trustees before returning to the agenda for the meeting.

#### 4. Apologies

To receive any apologies for absence.

# 5. Notes of Meeting of the Taunton Unparished Area Committee

To consider the notes of the final meeting of the Taunton Unparished Area Committee held on 30 January 2019 (attached).

#### 6. Petitions

To receive any petitions from residents of Taunton containing over 200 signatures in accordance with Standing Order 30.

#### 7. Public Questions

To receive any questions or statements from residents of Taunton in accordance with Standing Order 30.

## 8. Deputations

To receive any deputations from residents of Taunton in accordance with Standing Order 30.

#### 9. Communications

The Mayor to report any communications which have been recently received.

# 10. Charter Trustees - Standing Orders

To agree the draft Standing Orders set out in the attached document.

## 11. Functions and Responsibilities of the Charter Trustees

To agree the draft 'Functions and Responsibilities' set out in the attached document (attached).

# 12. Appointment of a Standing Committee

To consider the appointment of a Standing Committee of seven Charter Trustees. The proposed 'Powers and Duties' of the Standing Committee are set out in the attached document (attached).

#### 13. Motions to the Charter Trustees

To consider motions in the order in which notice has been received.

## 14. Request for Funding

To enable the Mayoralty to function and an Unparished Area Grant scheme to continue to be operated, the Somerset West and Taunton Council be formally requested to transfer all funding derived from the Unparished Area to the Charter Trustees. In future years, the Charter Trustees will be in a position to raise its own precept.

#### **15**. Taunton's Twin Towns

To consider a proposal to continue providing a degree of financial support for the groups supporting Taunton's Twinning arrangements.

# **16. Date of Future Meetings**

To agree the dates of future meetings of the Charter Trustees.