

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS AT THE  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
HELD IN HALL 2 AT THE PADDOCKS, LONG ROAD, CANVEY ISLAND  
MONDAY 11<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2019 AT 7.00 PM.**

**PRESENT:-**

Cllr B. Campagna (Town Mayor), Cllr A. Acott (Deputy Town Mayor), Cllr P. May, Cllr P. Greig, Cllr J. Blissett, Cllr J. Anderson, Cllr D. Anderson, Cllr M. Tucker, Cllr B. Palmer and Cllr N. Harvey

**ALSO PRESENT:-**

Cllr R Howard (Castle Point Borough Council)  
Cllr C Mumford (Castle Point Borough Council)

**APOLOGIES:-**

Cllr D. Blackwell

35 members of the public  
Mrs E. De Can – Town Clerk  
Laura Shirley – Community & Events Officer  
Tracey Baylis – Community & Events Officer  
Adele Wakenell – Community Warden

**1. ‘Welcome from Canvey Island Town Council Town Mayor’ – COUNCILLOR BARRY CAMPAGNA**

Cllr Campagna welcomed all residents to Canvey Island Town Council's Annual Town Meeting and explained the procedure for the evening. He confirmed that there will be an opportunity to enjoy some refreshments and sit and discuss issues relating to Canvey Island with any Town Councillor, advising that at the back of the hall were several displays showing the Town Council's achievements over the last year as well as lots of information regarding volunteering opportunities. He asked residents to be seated by 8pm at the latest in order to perform the presentation of the Community Awards.

**2. To confirm and sign as a true record the minutes of the Annual Town Meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

The minutes of the Annual Town Meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018 were **CONFIRMED** and signed as a true record.

**3. An opportunity to engage with your Local Councillors regarding Town Council activities.**

Members of the public were invited to light refreshments, to visit the display information and talk to their local Town Councillors and staff regarding Town Council activities.

**4. COMMUNITY AWARDS**

Cllr Campagna advised that the Town Council Community Awards is an initiative to recognise those individuals and organisations who selflessly give up their time in the community to help others without expecting any recognition, making a significant contribution to the quality of life for residents of Canvey Island. There are two award categories this year which are:

- Citizen of the Year (over 18 years)
- Community Group of the Year.
- Youth Community Group of the Year.

**Citizen of the Year**

Cllr Campagna presented the award to Sandra Durrant in recognition of her work for the community with several different groups including the Phoenix Club for the Disabled, Canvey War Memorial Hall and helping with Friends of Concord Beach.

**Community Group of the Year**

Cllr Campagna presented the award to Cast and Crew in recognition for their long established group of talented individuals on Canvey Island whose theatre productions regularly raise funds for worthwhile local charities.

**Youth Community Group of the Year**

Cllr Campagna presented the award to the Canvey Island Rugby Club in recognition for their youth work on Canvey Island and providing an invaluable outlet for youngsters of all ages to get involved in sports, team building and learning skills that are great for them to take out in to the wider community.

Cllr Campagna explained that the Town Council had great difficulty in deciding the winners this year from those nominated as there were many worthy nominee's, however, there was one group of individuals who didn't quite fit in to any of the categories available and it had been agreed that this particular group deserved a Special Recognition award for their fundraising efforts for the Essex Air Ambulance following a life changing event last year. Cllr Campagna asked all residents to join him in applauding the efforts of George Walker, Liam Groom, Scott Stone, Dan Lazell, and Scott Hodges. Unfortunately the boys were not available to attend, however, will be receiving Special Recognition Certificates from the Town Council in due course.

To close the meeting Cllr Campagna congratulated all the award winners and thanked all the residents for attending and supporting the Town Council.

The meeting closed at 8.00 pm

Town Mayor

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