At an Annual General Meeting of Pembroke Dock Town Council held at the Pater Hall, Pembroke Dock on Thursday 15th May 2008

PRESENT:

Councillors S. Beasley, K. Becton, E. Cook, D. Esmond, Mrs. C. Fortune, Mrs. P.E.George, C. Gwyther, P.G. Gwyther, K. Higgs, D. King, A. McNaughton, R. Watts, Mr. P. Weatherall, A. Wilcox Rev. T. Barber

IN ATTENDANCE:

Ian Jones, Town Clerk Sue Griffiths, Committee Clerk

10. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M. Colgan, B. Hall and S. Perkins

11. PRAYERS

The Mayor Elect's Chaplain, Reverend Thelma Barber lead the prayers.

12. INTRODUCTION

The Town Clerk gave Members an introduction to the procedures which would follow.

13. DECLARATION OF OFFICE

The Town Clerk asked each Town Councillor present to sign the declaration of office of Town Council before the Town Clerk.

14. ELECTION OF MAYOR

It was PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs. P. George SECONDED by Councillor Mrs. C. Fortune

RESOLVED –

That Councillor R.G. Watts be elected to the office of Mayor of Pembroke Dock to hold office, pursuant to Section 34 and 245(6) of the Local Government Act 1972, until the next Annual General Meeting of the Council. At the conclusion of the election, the outgoing Mayor, together with the Town Clerk and the newly elected Mayor left the Chamber in order to exchange their regalia.

The newly elected Mayor re-entered the Chamber, and at the summons of the Town Clerk all those present remained standing whilst the retiring Mayor greeted his successor.

The Town Clerk asked the new Mayor to come forward and make his declaration of Acceptance of Office.

The new Mayor responded to his election to office and indicated that his wife Mrs. Val Watts would act as Mayoress.

15. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR

PROPOSED by Councillor R. Watts SECONDED by Councillor P. Gwyther

RESOLVED –

That Councillor Mrs. P. George be appointed to the office of Deputy Mayor of Pembroke Dock to hold office, pursuant to section 15(7) and 34(7) of the Local Government Act 1972, until the next Annual General Meeting of the Council.

The newly appointed Deputy Mayor came forward to the dais and was invested by the Mayor with the Medallion of Office.

The Deputy Mayor made her formal declaration of acceptance of office and response to her election before taking her seat on the dais.

The newly-elected Deputy Mayor indicated to Council that various members of her family would act as her consort in 2008/9 year.

16. APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR'S CHAPLAIN

The Mayor signified to the Council the appointment of Rev. Thelma Barber as Mayor's Chaplain.

17. VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR AND MAYORESS AND DEPUTY MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYORESS.

PROPOSED by Councillor R.Watts SECONDED by Councillor Mrs. P. George

RESOLVED –

The Town Council thanked the retiring Mayor and Mayoress and Deputy Mayor and Deputy Mayoress for the work they had carried out during their office.

The retiring Mayor responded to the Town Council's vote of thanks, and was presented with a "Past Mayor" Medallion by the Mayor. The retiring Mayoress was also presented with a Medallion.

18. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON PLANNING SUB COMMITTEE

It was agreed that the following members would serve on the Planning Sub Committee:

Councillor A. McNaughton Councillor K. Higgs Councillor R. Watts Councillor D. King Market Ward Llanion Ward Central Ward Central Ward

It was agreed that the membership of the Planning Sub Committee would be reviewed at the next meeting of the Town Council when Councillor Mrs. M. Colgan who represents Pennar Ward would be present. The other three members of the Town Council who represent Pennar Ward indicated that they would not be available to serve on the Planning Sub Committee which currently meets during daytime working hours.

19. REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL OFFICER

4. Payment of Accounts

The following accounts were submitted for approval of payment:

12	British Telecom – Telephone Charges	£55.15
13	Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal – Wreath	£19.50
14	Cape Hire and Sales – Hire of Fencing Around Tank	£84.60
15	Sage – Payroll Support	£105.75
16	Amberol Ltd Carriage and VAT on Brackets	£108.75
17	Society of Local Council Clerks - Annual Subscription	£129.00

The Town Clerk asked Member to note that Account No. 12 was paid out of meeting.

5. Internet Payments

The following accounts had been paid via the internet from 1st to 30th April 2008

1/4/2008	Smartstamp – Postage	£35.00
3/4/2008	Ice Magic International – Deposit – Ice Rink	£1,229.59
22/4/2008	Talk Talk – Telephone	£14.16
	Salaries, Wages, Tax and NI	£5,088.06

6. Thanks

A letter had been received from Santes Ffair Kids Club thanking the Council for the donation towards the purchase of new playground equipment.

PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs. C. Fortune SECONDED by Councillor Mrs. P. George

RESOLVED –

That the Town Council approve Account Nos. 12-17 for payment.

20. ADJOURNMENT

PROPOSED by Councillor P. Gwyther SECONDED by Councillor K. Higgs

RESOLVED -

That all statutory business be adjourned until the next meeting of Council to be held on Thursday 29th May at 1830hrs (6.30pm)

The meeting ended at 1900hrs

Mayor