HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES of the SPECIAL meeting of the COUNCIL held in Civic Suite, Pathfinder House, St Mary's Street, Huntingdon PE29 3TN on Wednesday, 16 December 2015.

PRESENT: Councillor P L E Bucknell – Chairman.

Councillors J D Ablewhite. T D Alban. K M Baker, D Brown, G J Bull, R C Carter, S Cawley, B S Chapman, Mrs S Conbov. S J Criswell, Mrs A D Curtis, J W Davies, D B Dew, Mrs L A Duffy, M Francis, R Fuller, I D Gardener, L George, D A Giles, J A Gray, S Greenall, A Hansard, D Harty, T Hayward, R B Howe, Mrs P A Jordan, P Kadewere, Ms L Kadic, Mrs R E Mathews, D J Mead, J P Morris. J M Palmer. P D Reeve, Mrs D C Revnolds. T D Sanderson. R G Tuplin, M F Shellens. D M Tysoe, K D Wainwright, R J West and J E White.

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence from the meeting were

submitted on behalf of Councillors I C Bates, Mrs B E Boddington, E R Butler, K J Churchill, Mrs A Dickinson, R S Farrer, R Harrison, B Hyland, S M Van De Kerkhove

and M C Oliver.

IN ATTENDANCE: M G Baker and P G Mitchell

53. PRAYER

The Reverend A Milton, Vicar of All Saints and St. Mary's, Huntingdon, opened the meeting with prayer.

54. MEMBERS' INTERESTS

No declarations were received.

55. CONFERMENT OF THE TITLES OF HONORARY ALDERMAN: SECTION 249, LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

By way of a report by the Elections and Democratic Services Manager (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) the Council was reminded that they had agreed to introduce titles of Honorary Aldermen and Honorary Alderwomen for current and future Members of the Council who cumulatively had served a minimum of 12 years as an elected Councillor on the District Council.

The Chairman invited Messrs M G Baker and P G Mitchell to join the meeting. Following tributes to Messrs Baker and Mitchell for the contribution they had made to public life and the community of Huntingdonshire it was moved by the Chairman, Councillor P L E Bucknell and seconded by the Vice-Chairman, Councillor R J West and

RESOLVED

that, in sincere appreciation of distinguished public service, the title of Honorary Alderman be conferred upon former Councillors M G Baker and P G Mitchell in accordance with Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972.

Therefore and having invited them to approach the dias, the Chairman presented Messrs Baker and Mitchell with a certificate in recognition of the title of Alderman and Alderman insignia to be worn on occasions when required to attend civic functions on behalf of the Council. Messrs Baker and Mitchell expressed their appreciation to the Council for the warmth of their reception and added that it had been a pleasure to work with all Councillors over their years of service on the District Council.

The meeting ended at 7.10pm

Chairman