

## **CASTLEREAGH BOROUGH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the proceedings of the special meeting of Castlereagh Borough Council, held in the Council Chamber, Castlereagh Borough Council, Civic & Administrative Offices, Bradford Court, Upper Galwally, Castlereagh, BT8 6RB, on Thursday, 23 February 2006, at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Councillor T Jeffers  
(in the chair)

ALDERMEN: M Copeland MLA  
J Norris MBE  
PD Robinson MP MLA

COUNCILLORS: Mrs A M Beattie  
J Beattie  
Ms J Bunting  
Mrs M Chambers  
Mrs J Cochrane  
D Drysdale  
Mrs S Duncan  
C Hall  
B Hanvey  
Miss R Hughes MBE  
M Long  
G Robinson  
J Spratt  
C Tosh  
J White

IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive and Assistant Members Services Officer

APOLOGIES Apologies were received on behalf of Aldermen Mrs C Rice and Mrs I Robinson and Councillor Henderson

### **2006/69 : OPENING OF MEETING**

In the absence of Reverend Caldwell, due to illness, Alderman Norris opened the meeting with a prayer.

Noted.

### **2006/70 : ALDERMAN MRS G RICE — HOSPITAL STAY**

On behalf of the Council, Alderman P Robinson offered wishes for a quick recovery to Alderman Rice. Councillor Jeffers informed Members that the hospital would not accept flowers, but a card had been sent on behalf of the Council.

Noted.

**2006/71: VACANCY IN COUNCIL**

Alderman P Robinson proposed that vacancies in Council be filled by the party of the vacating Member, as PR did not lend itself to co-option, and it would also not be cost-effective to hold a by-election.

The proposal was seconded by Councillor White and agreed to unanimously.

RESOLVED (unanimously): That vacancies in Council be filled by the party of the vacating Member.

**2006/72: CHOICE OF A PERSON TO FILL THE VACANCY CREATED BY ANDY RAMSEY**

Alderman P Robinson proposed that the vacancy created by the resignation of Andy Ramsey be filled by Vivienne Stevenson.

The proposal was seconded by Councillor J Beattie and agreed to unanimously.

RESOLVED (unanimously): That the vacancy created by the resignation of Andy Ramsey be filled by Vivienne Stevenson.

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 7.15 p.m.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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MAYOR