RUSTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES: of the Special Meeting held on 1 July 2024

PRESENT: Councillors J Bennett (Chairman), Mrs C Broomfield, M Broomfield, J Ceiriog-Hughes,

Mrs A Cooper, A Cooper, Mrs P Gregory, R Grevett, G Lee, Mrs S Partridge,

Ms M Revell, D Rogers and P Warren

In attendance: Mrs C Ward (Clerk of the Council) and Mrs C Harris (Finance Manager/RFO)

182/24 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs Allen (Holiday) and Ms Lloyd (Work Commitment). These apologies were accepted by the Council.

183/24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest by Members.

184/24 <u>EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS</u>

The Council, pursuant to Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972, RESOLVED that Members of the Public and accredited representatives of the Press be excluded from the Meeting because of the confidential nature of the next item of business to be transacted.

185/24 HONORARY FREEDOM OF THE PARISH

The Clerk referred to Minute 179/24 and the Council then considered a Motion proposed by Councillor Bennett and seconded by Councillor Cooper, under provisions of Section 249(5) of the Local Government Act 1972(1) (as amended by the Local Government Planning & Land Act 1980 (part XIX) and Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009) as follows:-

'That the title of Honorary Freeman be conferred upon Mr Graham Tyler, in recognition of the unceasing long-term dedication, commitment and eminent service that he has rendered to the Village of Rustington and its community, as a Parish Councillor for in excess of 28 years, an Arun District Councillor, a West Sussex County Councillor and a Parishioner.'

Following a brief discussion, it was unanimously RESOLVED that, for the first time, the Freedom of the Parish of Rustington should be awarded to Mr Graham Tyler, with the title of Honorary Freeman of the Parish being dutifully conferred upon him.

It was further AGREED that an appropriate Award Ceremony and Reception should be organised, in consultation with Mr Tyler's wife, with a framed scroll and other associated items being purchased.

The Clerk said that she would meet with Mrs Tyler to discuss the Award Ceremony and Reception, and she would also explore available options for a suitable scroll and frame, etc., and report back to Members either via email or at the next Monthly Meeting.

There were no questions received either preceding, or at, the Meeting for consideration during the Public Question Time, held prior to the commencement of the formal proceedings.