

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING 20 DECEMBER 2021

Present:- **The Mayor (Councillor Davidson)**

Councillors Bentley, Bourne, Buston, Chapman, Cope, Cory, Cox, Crow, Dundas, Ellis, Goacher, Goss, Jowers, King, Laws, Lissimore, Loveland, McCarthy, Moore, Pearson, Scott-Boutell, Warnes, J. Young, T. Young

In attendance remotely **Councillors Chillingworth, Chuah, Fox, Hagon, Harris, Hayter, Hazell, Hogg, Leatherdale, Lilley, Luxford Vaughan, Maclean, Mannion, Scordis, Tate, Whitehead, Wood**

506. Prayers

The meeting was opened with prayers from the Reverend Terry Walker.

507. Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors Barber, Barton, Burrows, Coleman, Leatherdale, Nissen, B. Oxford, G. Oxford and P. Oxford.

508. Appointment of Chief Executive

The High Steward, Alderman Sir Bob Russell, was invited to address the meeting. This was an historic occasion as it was only the fifth time in the history of the Borough that a Chief Executive had been appointed. Thanks were expressed on behalf of all the Honorary Alderman to Adrian Pritchard for his service to the Borough. He was now the longest serving Chief Executive in the Borough's history. Colchester has seen many changes under his stewardship and owed a debt of gratitude to him. The appointment of Pam Donnelly was warmly welcomed.

RESOLVED (UNANIMOUS) that :-

- (a) Pam Donnelly be appointed as Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service with effect from 1 April 2022 on the salary scale point of £125,633;
- (b) Pam Donnelly be appointed as Electoral Registration Officer and Returning Officer with effect from 28 March 2022.

Pam Donnelly was invited to respond to Council and expressed her thanks to Council for her appointment.