



PRESS RELEASE

Town Mayor 2021-22

We are delighted to announce that, at the Annual Council meeting held on 19 May 2021, Cllr Rose Brookes was elected as the Town Mayor for 2021-22.

Cllr Brookes was born in Nottinghamshire, and settled in Loughton to teach in a local primary school after working both in China and Ireland. After about twenty years in education she followed her passion for art and history and moved into museum work. She joined the Town Council as a Councillor back in 2004 until 2012 serving residents of Alderton ward and then rejoined in 2016 and has represented residents of Roding ward.

Cllr Chris Pond, in his nomination, said that “Rose was a long standing member of the Council and understood the needs of the residents in Alderton, the Broadway and Roding wards. She will make a good Town Mayor with her caring approach”

After her election, Rose said that she was thrilled to have been elected as the Mayor and felt honoured to have been given the opportunity to serve the community in this role and thanked her fellow councillors for their nomination. She said we have been living in difficult times and will be concentrating on the community and especially the young people and community events to help bring normality back to Loughton. She encouraged us all to support local businesses and local community organisations.

Members also paid tribute to the work of outgoing mayor, Cllr Stella Murphy, commenting that taking on the role of Mayor was no small undertaking and that she had carried out her duties extremely well, in a very kind and caring manner. In responding Stella thanked members for her extended role as Mayor, she had attended 65 events and engagements and was pleased to say that she had met so many interesting and hard-working volunteers from charities, schools, community groups and organisations. She wished Rose well in her role and said that she hoped she will enjoy it as much as she has.

The new Town Mayor congratulated councillor Barbara Cohen on her appointment as Deputy Town Mayor.

Note to Editor:

Loughton's Town Mayor is elected annually in May by the Town Council. The mayor's role is to preside over meetings of the council, as well as representing the Town Council at civic and ceremonial functions, such as the Remembrance Sunday parade.

For immediate release.

Photographs attached caption:

Town Mayor, Cllr Rose Brookes (left) and her deputy, Cllr Barbara Cohen

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