Minutes of the Civic Committee

27 March 2009

-: Present :-

Councillors Addis, Amil, Doggett, Excell, Faulkner (A), McPhail and Thomas (D)

690. Election of Chairman. Councillor Thomas (D) was elected Chairman of the Committee for the remainder of the 2008/2009 Municipal Year.

Councillor Thomas in the Chair

- **691. Appointment of Vice-Chairman.** Councillor McPhail was appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing Municipal Year.
- **692.** Civic Committee Terms of Reference. Members noted the Terms of Reference of the Civic Committee as set out in Report 79/2009.
- **693. Nomination for Honorary Freeman.** The Committee considered a nomination for Ernest Freed to become an Honorary Freeman of the Borough of Torbay.
 - Resolved: (i) that the Chief Executive be requested to approach Ernest Freed to advise that the Civic Committee recommends that he be awarded Honorary Freeman status, to ask him, if he was supported by the Council, whether or not he would accept; and

- (ii) that, subject to (i) above, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council be recommended to award Ernest Freed Honorary Freeman of the Borough of Torbay Status in recognition and appreciation of his eminent services to the Borough for many years as meteorologist promoting Torbay and his unceasing work for local charities and organisations.
- (**Note 1:** Prior to consideration of the item in Minute 693, the press and public were formally excluded from the meeting on the grounds that the item involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.)
- (Note 2: Prior to consideration of the item in Minute 693 Councillors Amil, Doggett, Excell, Faulkner (A) and McPhail declared personal interests as they had all worked in a professional capacity with the nominee.)

Chairman

