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Minutes of the forty-fifth Annual Town Meeting of Knutsford held at 7pm on Wednesday 12th April 2017 at the Cranford Suite, Curzon

45/001 Attendance

In attendance was the Town Mayor, Cllr Jan Nicholson, Town Clerk, Adam Keppel-Garner and 76 members of the public.

45/002 Welcome from the Mayor of Knutsford

The Mayor welcomed all those in attendance and the shortlisted nominees for the Town Awards.

45/003 To note the minutes of the 2016 Annual Town Meeting

The minutes of the meeting were noted.

45/004 Presentation from Knutsford Town Council

Cllr Nicholson presented the Annual Report of Knutsford Town Council.

45/005 Introduction of the Knutsford Town Awards 2017

Cllr Nicholson introduced the Town Awards which were previously held as part of Civic Sunday. The awards were sponsored by the Forum of Private Business.

45/006 Presentation of the 2017 Youth Award

The 2017 Youth Award was presented to Nathan Brown for his dedication and commitment to the Welcome Café.

45/007 Presentation on the Knutsford Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Stuart Gardiner provided an update on the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan highlighting that the working groups were preparing policy ideas following the initial survey.

45/008 Presentation of the 2017 Business Award

A video of Ian Cass, Managing Director of the Forum of Private Business, was played announcing Erica Goggins of the Knutsford Directory as winner of the 2017 Business Award for supporting the community through publishing content and adverts to promote community events and activities.

45/009 Presentations from Knutsford Community Organisations

Presentations were received from the Knutsford Lions, Friends of the Moor,

Knutsford Laughter Club, Canute Lunch Club, Knutsford Heritage Centre, Knutsford Community First Responders Trust and Knutsford Allotment Society.

45/010 Presentation of the 2017 Community Award

The 2017 Community Award was presented to the Knutsford Community First Responders Trust for providing vital services as First Responders, the provision of defibrillators and providing Heart Start training.

45/011 Presentation of the 2017 Civic Awards

The 2017 Civic Awards were presented to:

Brian Chaplin for commitment to the Knutsford Neighbourhood Plan, engagement in the local plan and continued engagement in the planning system.

Sylvia Chaplin for continued engagement in planning matters in Knutsford and work on projects involving the War Memorial Cottage Hospital, Centennial War Memorial and recording the history of the Town's servicemen.

Tony Leadbeater for a life of service to the youth of Knutsford through the Knutsford Scouts.

Sarah Pownall for campaigning to protect the Knutsford Children's Centre and her work as part of the Strong Women project.

45/012 Open Forum

An opportunity was provided for the public to raise questions and submit comments.