MINUTES of the CIVIC MEETING of the SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL held at the Town Hall, The Delph, Swadlincote on 29th May 2012 at 6.00 p.m.

PRESENT:-

Conservative Group

Councillor Stanton (Chairman), Councillor Bale (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Atkin, Mrs. Brown, Ford, Mrs. Hall, Harrison, Hewlett, Mrs. Hood, Jones, Lemmon, Murray, Mrs. Patten, Mrs. Plenderleith, Roberts, Mrs. Watson, Watson and Wheeler.

Labour Group

Councillors Bambrick, Bell, Chahal, Dunn, Frost, Mrs. Heath, Mrs. Mead, Mulgrew, Pearson, Rhind, Richards, Stuart, Taylor, Tilley and Wilkins.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the Meeting were received from Councillor Smith (Conservative Group) and Councillors Shepherd and Southerd (Labour Group).

CC/1. <u>ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL</u>

It was proposed, seconded and,

RESOLVED:-

That Councillor Bale be elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

(Councillor Bale then made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Chairman and presided, thanking the Members for the honour conferred upon him. He announced that Mrs. June Bale would act as his Consort during his term of office).

CC/2. RETIRING CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL

In accordance with adopted practice, the Chairman of the Council presented insignia to Councillor Stanton and his Consort, Heather Stanton. He paid tribute to the manner in which they had performed their duties over the past year and this was endorsed by Members of the Council. Councillor Stanton responded, thanking Members and Officers for their support during his year in office. He presented a Diamond Jubilee montage to the Chairman as his gift to the Council to commemorate his year in office.

CC/3. ELECTION OF THE VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL

It was proposed, seconded and,

RESOLVED:-

That Councillor Mrs. Hood be elected Vice-Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

(Councillor Mrs. Hood then made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Vice-Chairman and thanked Members for the honour conferred upon her. She announced that Frank Hood would act as her Consort during her term of office).

CC/4. CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS

The Chairman invited the Chief Executive to talk about the Diamond Jubilee Congratulatory Scroll, which had recently been sent to the Queen on behalf of the Chairman, Officers, Staff and Citizens of South Derbyshire.

CC/5. PRESENTATION OF LONG SERVICE AWARDS

The Chairman presented a long service award to Karin Ward, who had completed 20 years service as at 31st March 2012. It was noted that awards had also been made to Ian Bourne, Ian Moore and Gary Wright, who were unable to attend.

M.J.P. BALE

CHAIRMAN

The Meeting terminated at 6.45 p.m.