



City of Douglas

City Hall,
Douglas,
26th March, 2026

At a SPECIAL PRIVATE MEETING of the COUNCIL of the CITY OF DOUGLAS, duly convened and holden at 9.30 a.m. on THURSDAY, the 26th day of MARCH, 2026, in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, within the CITY HALL, at which Meeting the following Members were present, that is to say: -

The Mayor

MR COUNCILLOR STEVEN CRELLIN, JP

Councillors

Mrs N.A. Byron-Teare, JP

Mr A. Hall

Ms C. Traynor

Mr D.R. Watson

Miss S. Kewin

Mr D.C. Cretney

Mr K.W.F. Ver Elst

Mr F. Horning

Ms J. Thommeny

Mr P.J. Washington

The Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Director of Environment and Regeneration, and the Director of Housing and Property were in attendance.

Apologies for absence were submitted by Councillor Ms F. Logan.

1. **Chair of Meeting**

Under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1985, the Worshipful the Mayor declared an interest in item 2 and retired whilst it was considered. Accordingly, the Chief Executive invited nominations for a Member to Chair the meeting. Councillor Mrs N.A. Byron-Teare was unanimously elected to Chair the meeting.

2. **Executive Committee – 26th February, 2026**

Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.R. Watson, seconded by Mr Councillor F. Horning, “That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee, as contained in private report of meeting held on Thursday, 26th February, 2026 (in relation to the nomination of a Member as Mayor of the Borough and City for the forthcoming municipal year), be received by the Council.”

Question put on Motion; a vote was taken electronically, and the Motion was carried unanimously.

3. **Selection of Mayor**

In light of the recommendation of the Executive Committee, the Worshipful the Mayor resumed his seat on the floor of the Chamber.

Councillor Mrs N.A. Byron-Teare called for nominations for a person to be selected to be Mayor of the Borough and City for the municipal year commencing 13th May, 2026.

Mr Councillor S.R. Crellin was nominated by Mr Councillor P.J. Washington and seconded by Councillor Ms J. Thommeny.

No further nominations were received.

Question put Motion, a vote was taken electronically, and the Motion was carried unanimously.

Motion carried. Mr Councillor S.R. Crellin was selected to serve as Mayor for the 2026/2027 Municipal year.

4. **Acceptance of Office by Mayor Select**

Mr Councillor S.R. Crellin announced his intention to accept the office of Mayor for the 2026/2027 municipal year if confirmed at the Annual Council Meeting on 13th May, 2026.

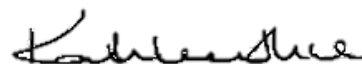
5. **Press Statement – Selection of Mayor**

Councillor Ms J. Thommeny moved a Motion, seconded by Mr Councillor F. Horning to approve the issue of a press statement in the following terms:-

“Douglas City Council announces that at a Special Private meeting of the Council held on Thursday, 26th March, 2026 Mr Councillor S.R. Crellin was selected as Mayor for the municipal year ending Tuesday, 11th May, 2027 and signified his intention to accept the office if confirmed at the Annual Council Meeting on Wednesday, 13th May, 2026.”

Question put on Motion; a vote was taken electronically, and the Motion was carried unanimously.

The Council rose at 9.38am.



Town Clerk & Chief Executive