



Local Government Act 1972  
Minutes of The Annual Town Assembly for Bridgwater  
Held on  
Thursday 18 April 2019  
In  
The Town Hall (Charter Hall), High Street, Bridgwater TA6 3AS  
Starting at 7.00pm

There were 12 members of the public present and the Mayor of Bridgwater, Cllr D Rodrigues and the Town Clerk, David Mears.

1. Policing in Bridgwater – A representative from Bridgwater’s Police Team (if present) are invited to provide updates and discuss issues in Bridgwater.

The Local Beat Manager provided an overview of areas the Police have been working on over the last 12 months. There has been pockets of ASB and these has been addressed by the local beat team. Other issues concerning rough sleepers and drinking in the Town Centre were raised. The Police also conducted a vehicle and speed check in the High Street in November 2018.

2. To confirm the minutes of the last Annual Town Assembly –10 May 2018.

The minutes were taken as read, and it was proposed and seconded that they were a true and accurate record.

3. Bridgwater Forward Plan – Annual update by lead council members.

Cllr Smedley updated the meeting on the activities of the council over the last 12 months. Cllr Smedley also welcomed the new Town Clerk, David Mears and wished him well. Thanks, were paid to the former Town Clerk, Alan Hurford who has retired after 15 years as the Town Clerk of Bridgwater.

4. Mayor Announcements.

Cllr D Rodrigues, the Mayor of Bridgwater expanded on his year in office and how it has provided him with an opportunity to meet many, many wonderful people who he would not have normally had the opportunity to meet. He was particularly proud of the Youth Awards evening, which involved the brilliant youth of Bridgwater.

The meeting closed at 19:55hrs