

ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING 7 FEBRUARY 2012

Extraordinary Order Paper

By way of a special tribute to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, following the 60th anniversary of her accession on 6th February 1952

- 1) The meeting will be preceded by Prayers led by Father Jonathan Pearce, Vicar of St. Peter's, Great Totham culminating, as usual, with the Lord's Prayer.
- 2) Father Jonathan Pearce to then say the Prayer for the Queen's Majesty as follows:-

The Prayer for the Queen's Majesty

O Lord our heavenly Father, high and mighty, King of kings, Lord of lords, the only Ruler of princes, who dost from thy throne behold all the dwellers upon earth; most heartily we beseech thee with thy favour to behold our most gracious Sovereign Lady, *Queen Elizabeth;* and so replenish her with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that she may always incline to thy will, and walk in thy way: endue her plenteously with heavenly gifts; grant her in health and wealth long to live; strengthen her that she may vanquish and overcome all her enemies; and finally, after this life, she may attain everlasting joy and felicity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

- All Amen
- 3) The Chairman of the Council to read the content of a letter sent to Buckingham Palace.
- 4) The Chairman of the Council to make a personal presentation to the Council of an Official photograph of HM The Queen to hang permanently in the Council Chamber.

5) All present to stand and sing the following words of the National Anthem:-

National Anthem

God save our gracious Queen, Long live our noble Queen, God save the Queen, Send her victorious, Happy and glorious, Long to reign over us: God save the Queen.

Thy choicest gifts in store On her be pleased to pour, Long may she reign. May she defend our laws, And ever give us cause To sing with heart and voice, God save the Queen.