

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

At a Ceremonial Meeting of West Dunbartonshire Council held within the Municipal Buildings, Dumbarton on Friday 26 June 2009.

Present: Provost Denis Agnew and Councillors George Black, Jim Brown, Geoff Calvert, Jim Finn, William Hendrie, David McBride, Jim McElhill, Jonathan McColl, Ronnie McColl, Patrick McGlinchey, Marie McNair, John Millar Iain Robertson, Martin Rooney and May Smillie.

Attending: David McMillan, Chief Executive, Terry Lanagan, Director of Educational Services; and Andrew F. Fraser, Head of Legal, Administrative and Regulatory Services.

Apologies: Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Jim Bolland, Margaret Bootland, Gail Casey, Douglas McAllister, Craig McLaughlin and Willie McLaughlin,

Provost Denis Agnew in the Chair**FREEDOM CEREMONY
SIR JOHN YOUNG (JACKIE) STEWART, O.B.E.**

Provost Agnew referred to the Meeting of West Dunbartonshire Council held on 28 January 2009 (Page 1679 refers), at which it had been agreed to admit Sir Jackie Stewart as a Freeman of West Dunbartonshire. The Provost then formally welcomed those present to this ceremonial meeting of Council, convened for the formal presentation of the Freeman's Ticket, a decorative scroll to mark admission to that office. In particular, he welcomed the guest of honour, Sir Jackie Stewart O.B.E., his wife and family members and all the Council's invited guests.

The Provost spoke of the honour that Sir Jackie had brought to his home town of Dumbarton through his outstanding sporting career, not only as a world class clay pigeon shooting champion but also as one of the greatest motor racing champions in the history of the sport, winning twenty-seven Grand Prix races and being three times Formula One World Champion. He paid tribute to Sir Jackie's commitment to motor racing safety, to his unstinting contribution to education through the promotion of dyslexia awareness as President of Dyslexia Scotland and to this support of numerous charitable trusts. He then formally presented him with the Freeman's Ticket on behalf of the Council. Accepting the framed scroll, Sir Jackie expressed his thanks to the Provost, the Chief Executive and the Council.

The meeting closed at 6.11 p.m.