1. **Purpose of Report**

For Councillors to decide whether to support the introduction of a Mayors Cadet for Civic Events.

2. **Background**

Each year, the Mayor automatically becomes President of the Chippenham Sea Cadets.

Following the attendance of the Sea Cadets at a recent Civic Event, a proposal was suggested from the Sea Cadets that the Mayor may wish to support the introduction of a Mayors Cadet for Civic functions.

A list of Civic Events would be provided to the Sea Cadets.

For example, the Mayors Cadet would attend the Remembrance Sunday service and carry the Mayors wreath and hand it to the Mayor for laying at the War Memorial.

Three Cadets would be nominated and one chosen by the Mayor each year to enable each cadet to have a formal role for the Mayor of Chippenham. A deputy Mayors Cadets would also be chosen, should the Mayors Cadet be unavailable.

The Cadet would attend, outside of school hours and be prominent and process with the Mayor to Civic Events, as required. The average age of the Cadet would be around 14 years of age. The role of the Mayors Cadet would ensure the continuation of the relationship between the Town Council and Chippenham Sea Cadets.

A badge would need to be purchased for the cadet to wear.

3. **Recommendation that:**

Members agreed for Officers to engage the role of a Mayors Cadet for Civic Events.