

Report of:	Meeting	Date
Councillor Henderson, Leader of the Council and Garry Payne, Chief Executive	Council	3 October 2019

Honorary Aldermen

1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 To enable the Council to consider conferring the title of Honorary Alderman on a number of former Councillors.

2. Outcomes

- 2.1 The appointment of five Honorary Aldermen.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 That, in recognition of the eminent services rendered by them to the Council, the title of Honorary Aldermen be conferred on Tom Balmain, Ruth Duffy, John Hodgkinson, Terry Lees and Ron Shewan, at a special meeting of the Council on a date to be arranged by the Chief Executive.

4. Background

- 4.1 Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 states that:

“the Council may, by resolution passed by no less than two thirds of the Members voting thereon at a meeting of the Council specially convened for the purpose with notice of the object, confer the title of Honorary Alderman on persons who have, in the opinion of the Council, rendered eminent services to the Council, but are no longer Members of the Council”.

- 4.2 In the past, the Council has only conferred the title of Honorary Aldermen on ex-Councillors who have served at least 4 full terms in office, i.e. 16 years.

5. Key issues and proposals

- 5.1** It is proposed that the title of Honorary Alderman be conferred on the above named former Councillors, each of whom has been a councillor for 16 years or more and have rendered eminent service to the Council.
- 5.2** Ian Duffy has also served four terms in office as a Councillor, but has indicated that he does not wish to be an Alderman.

Financial and legal implications	
Finance	It is anticipated that any costs arising from the conferment of these titles will be met from within existing Mayoral budgets.
Legal	Set out in paragraph 4.1.

Other risks/implications: checklist

If there are significant implications arising from this report on any issues marked with a ✓ below, the report author will have consulted with the appropriate specialist officers on those implications and addressed them in the body of the report. There are no significant implications arising directly from this report, for those issues marked with a x.

risks/implications	✓ / x
community safety	x
equality and diversity	x
sustainability	x
health and safety	x

risks/implications	✓ / x
asset management	x
climate change	x
ICT	x
data protection	x

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List of background papers:		
None	date	where available for inspection
None	-	-

List of appendices

None