

LICENSING AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE – 25 MAY 2016

4 CONFERMENT OF THE TITLE OF HONORARY ALDERMAN

All Members of the Committee declared a non pecuniary interest in this matter by virtue of being acquainted with the former Councillors recommended to receive the title.

The Strategic Director of Transformation and Resources requested that Members give consideration to former Councillors Harry Smith and Pat Williams being recommended to Council for the conferment of the title of Honorary Alderman in accordance with Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972.

Members were informed that Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 provides that the title of Honorary Alderman may be conferred by the Council on persons who have, in its opinion, rendered eminent service to the Council as past Members of the Council, (or a predecessor Council), but who are no longer Councillors. The title is to be conferred by a resolution passed by not less than two thirds of the Members voting on it at a meeting of the Council specially convened for the purpose.

Honorary Aldermen would be invited to attend Council meetings in a non-participating capacity, they would also be invited to attend and take part in civic ceremonies and their names would be inscribed on a Roll of Honour board in Wallasey Town Hall. They do not receive any allowances or payments under Sections 173 to 176 of the Local Government Act 1972.

It was reported that the Council had determined that former Members who have served twenty years on the Council or a predecessor Council are eligible for nomination to this Award and that currently former Councillors Harry Smith and Pat Williams were the only persons eligible to be appointed as Honorary Aldermen.

The Chair agreed that each former Member be considered separately.

It was moved by Councillor R Abbey and seconded by Councillor D Mitchell that -

“Former Councillor Harry Smith be recommended for the conferment of the title of Honorary Alderman.”

The motion was put and carried (5:3) (1 abstention).

It was moved by Councillor R Abbey and seconded by Councillor D Mitchell that –

“Former Councillor Pat Williams be recommended for the conferment of the title of Honorary Alderman.”

The motion was put and carried (9:0).

Resolved – That the Council be recommended to confer the title of Honorary Alderman on former Councillors Harry Smith and Pat Williams in accordance with Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972.