

Croydon Council

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REPORT TO:	MAYORALTY AND HONORARY FREEDOM SELECTION SUB-COMMITTEE 15 September 2014
AGENDA ITEM:	7
SUBJECT:	CIVIC AWARDS
CABINET MEMBER	Councillor Simon Hall, Cabinet Member for Finance and Treasury
LEAD OFFICER:	Council Solicitor and Monitoring Officer
WARDS:	All
CORPORATE PRIORITY/POLICY CONTEXT: Not relevant to Honorary Titles.	
FINANCIAL SUMMARY: The costs will be contained within existing budgets.	
FORWARD PLAN KEY DECISION REFERENCE NO: Not applicable	

RECOMMENDATIONS: The Sub-Committee recommends that the Council agree: 1.1 to convene a Special Meeting of the Council to conduct the following business: the granting of the Honorary Alderman/woman titles to all those who will be eligible, as detailed in report B2. 1.2 to convene a Special Meeting of the Council on Monday 6 October 2014. 1.3 to make arrangements for hospitality and awards as detailed in Section 4 of the report.
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2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2.1 This report sets out potential nominations to the Roll of Honorary Aldermen and Alderwomen awards and the arrangements necessary for granting any agreed awards.

3. NOMINEES

Honorary Aldermen and Alderwomen

- 3.1 The Council has the power to grant the title of Honorary Aldermen and Alderwomen. The criterion for such a title is applicable to former Councillors of the London Borough of Croydon who have rendered eminent service in their capacity as Councillor and where a period of 16 years has been served, these are detailed in report B2.

4. PROCESS

- 4.1 The process for granting these civic awards is to hold a Special Meeting of the Council.
- 4.2 A Special Meeting will be convened on 6 October 2014 subject to the Resolution being passed by Council as set out in 4.3.
- 4.3 At the Special Meeting, a Resolution would be moved by Leader of the Council and the Leader of the Opposition would be invited to second the Resolution. Indicative wording for the Resolution is set out below:

“That this Council do hereby admit to the Roll of Honorary Alderman and Alderwomen of the Borough the following former Councillors in deserved recognition of long and valued public service as an elected Councillor”

- 4.4 Alderman and Alderwomen will receive a corporate gift of a glass globe paperweight. Other costs such as printing of citations and programs etc will be contained within existing budgets.
- 4.5 The Mayor will host a small reception prior to the Special Meeting, so that photographs could be taken and personal guests are received outside of the formal business of the Special Council Meeting.

5. CONSULTATION

- 5.1 None for the purpose of this report. However, the nominations for recipients are made via the cross-Party membership of this Subcommittee.

6. FINANCIAL AND RISK ASSESSMENT CONSIDERATIONS

6.1. The effect of the decision

The costs arising from this proposal will be contained within the existing budget.

6.2 (Approved by: Dianne Ellender Head of Finance and Deputy Section 151 Officer)

7. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 The Council may confer these titles pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972 and related legislation.

8. HUMAN RESOURCES IMPACT

8.1 None for the purpose of this report

(Approved by: Hansa Bharadia on behalf of the Director of Workforce)

9. EQUALITIES IMPACT/ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT/CRIME AND DISORDER REDUCTION IMPACT

9.1 None for the purpose of this report

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BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS: none