

**ASHFIELD DISTRICT COUNCIL**



Council Offices,  
Urban Road,  
Kirkby in Ashfield  
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NG17 8DA

## **Agenda**

### **Extraordinary Council**

Date: **Monday, 24th July, 2023**

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Time: **6.00 pm**

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Venue: **Council Chamber, Council Offices, Urban Road,  
Kirkby-in-Ashfield**

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# Extraordinary Council

## Membership

**Chairman:** Councillor Dale Grounds

**Vice-Chairman:** Councillor Arnie Hankin

**Councillors:**

Kier Barsby

Will Bostock

Jodine Cronshaw

Anna Ellis

Paul Grafton

Oliver Hay

Tom Hollis

Dawn Justice

Trevor Locke

Sarah Madigan

Cathy Mason

Warren Nuttall

Matthew Relf

Dave Shaw

Helen-Ann Smith

Lee Waters

Jason Zadrozny

Jamie Bell

Ian Briggs

Samantha Deakin

Andy Gascoyne

Julie Gregory

Vicki Heslop

Christopher Huskinson

Sarah Lewsey

Rachel Madden

Gordon Mann

Andy Meakin

Nicholas Parvin

Phil Rostance

John Smallridge

David Walters

John Wilmott

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**Theresa Hodgkinson**  
**Chief Executive**

## **AGENDA**

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1. To receive apologies for absence, if any.
2. **Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary or Personal Interests and/or Non-Registrable Interests.**
3. **Nominations for Honorary Alderman/Alderwoman and Outgoing Councillor Presentations.** 5 - 10

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<b>Report To:</b>	<b>EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL</b>
<b>Date:</b>	<b>24 JULY 2023</b>
<b>Heading:</b>	<b>NOMINATIONS FOR HONORARY ALDERMAN/ALDERWOMAN AND OUTGOING COUNCILLOR PRESENTATIONS.</b>
<b>Executive Lead Member:</b>	<b>NONE</b>
<b>Ward/s:</b>	<b>ALL</b>
<b>Key Decision:</b>	<b>NO</b>
<b>Subject to Call-In:</b>	<b>NO</b>

### Purpose of Report

Council approved a policy for the enrolment of Honorary Aldermen and Alderwomen at its meeting held on the 16 May 2019, which incorporated the provisions of Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972. This report provides the nominations for Honorary Aldermen and Alderwomen for 2023.

In addition, following the District Elections 2023, this report also identifies those Members eligible for their outgoing Councillor Presentation, celebrating their work as a Councillor prior to the 2023 District Elections.

### Recommendation(s)

- That Council confers the title of Honorary Alderman or Alderwoman on those former Councillors nominated for the title as detailed below, in recognition of their eminent services to the Council;
  - John Baird
  - Christian Chapman
- in accordance with the approved Policy, Members enrolled be awarded a framed Certificate of Conferral of the status of Honorary Alderman/Alderwoman which carries the Common Seal of the Council (witnessed by the Chairman of the Council and the Chief Executive) and a Badge of Office including the title 'Honorary Alderman/Alderwoman'.

- Note that the following former Councillors are eligible for their Outgoing Councillor presentations following their term/s of office serving the community of Ashfield;

John Baird  
Chris Baron  
Christian Chapman  
Ciaran Brown  
Melanie Darrington  
Andrew Harding  
David Hennigan  
David Martin  
Lauren Mitchell  
Keir Morrison  
Kevin Rostance  
Caroline Wilkinson  
Dan Williamson

### **Reasons for Recommendation(s)**

The appointment of Honorary Aldermen/Alderwomen is a means of giving recognition to former Councillors of Ashfield District Council who in the opinion of the Council have rendered eminent service to the Council and the District.

Outgoing Councillor Awards recognise the diligence of service Councillors have provided during their term/s of office.

### **Alternative Options Considered**

In accordance with the Honorary Alderman and Alderwoman Policy, all Councillors were given the opportunity to put forward their nominations but no additional nominations were received.

### **Detailed Information**

Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 permits a local authority to confer the title of Honorary Alderman or Alderwoman upon persons who have, in the opinion of the Council, "rendered eminent services to the council as past members of that council, but who are not then Members of the council".

The Honorary Alderman / Alderwoman Policy sets out the process for awarding the courtesy title of Honorary Alderman or Alderwoman and the rights and privileges it confers.

In presenting both Alderman / Alderwoman Nominations and outgoing Councillor Awards, Ashfield District Council is recognising the pivotal role that Councillors play in the district, both representing

constituents and shaping the future prosperity of Ashfield.

## Nominations

All Members of the Council were requested to put forward nominations for Alderman / Alderwoman, with 2 being received. These are:

John Baird	May 1999 – May 2011 May 2019 - May 2023
Christian Chapman	May 2015 – May 2023

## Outgoing Councillor Presentations

Following the District Elections held in May 2023, the following Former Councillors are eligible to receive their Outgoing Councillor Presentation.

John Baird	May 1999 – May 2011 May 2019 - May 2023
Chris Baron	May 1995 – May 2003 May 2011 – May 2023
Christian Chapman	May 2015 – May 2023
Ciaran Brown	May 2019 – March 2021
Melanie Darrington	May 2019 – May 2023
Andrew Harding	May 2019 – May 2023
David Hennigan	May 2019 – May 2023
David Martin	May 2019 – May 2023
Lauren Mitchell	May 2015 – May 2023
Keir Morrison	May 2011 – May 2023
Kevin Rostance	May 2015 – May 2023
Caroline Wilkinson	May 2019 – May 2023
Dan Williamson	May 2019 – May 2023

## **Implications**

### **Corporate Plan:**

Ashfield District Council values the democratic role that Councillors have in representing the people of Ashfield. The Aldermen/Alderwomen Policy recognises the contributions of past Councillors to the Council and the District.

### **Legal:**

The legal provisions are set out in the body of the report.

### **Finance:**

<b>Budget Area</b>	<b>Implication</b>
General Fund – Revenue Budget	Costs incurred are expected to be minimal and exceptional in nature. As such any costs incurred should be contained within the annual Civic Budget for that year
General Fund – Capital Programme	n/a
Housing Revenue Account – Revenue Budget	n/a
Housing Revenue Account – Capital Programme	n/a

### **Risk:**

<b>Risk</b>	<b>Mitigation</b>
There are no significant risks associated with the enrolment of Honorary Aldermen or Alderwomen	None

### **Human Resources:**

There are no significant HR to the enrolment of Honorary Aldermen or Alderwomen, as according to the criteria set out in the protocol, this relates to former members of the Council and not employees.

### **Environmental/Sustainability:**

*None*

### **Equalities:**

The enrolment of Honorary Aldermen or Alderwomen does not have a negative or positive impact in relation to any group of people with protected characteristics. The proposed criteria as set out in the



policy will be applied to each past member nominated and considered by Council for approval on an individual basis.

**Other Implications:**

*None*

**Reason(s) for Urgency**

*None*

**Reason(s) for Exemption**

*None*

**Background Papers**

*None*

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