

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN & WEST NORFOLK**STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

Minutes from the Meeting of the Standards Committee held on Wednesday, 22nd May, 2024 at 1.30 pm in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Saturday Market Place, King's Lynn PE30 5DQ

PRESENT: Councillor A Ware (Chair)
Councillors B Anota, B Ayres, A Beales, S Bearshaw and S Sandell

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S Ring, S Squire and D Tyler

1 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

RESOLVED: The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a correct record.

2 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Ware declared that she served on one of the Council's outside bodies with the nominee.

3 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There was none.

4 **MEMBERS PRESENT UNDER STANDING ORDER 34.**

Councillor M de Whalley attended under standing order 34,

5 **CHAIR'S CORRESPONDENCE (IF ANY)**

None

6 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

RESOLVED: That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

7 **NOMINATION OF THE AWARD OF THE FREEDOM OF THE BOROUGH**

The Committee received a nomination for the Honorary Freedom of the Borough which had been submitted by Councillor M de Whalley, with 6 supporters. Under standing order 34 Councillor de Whalley presented his nomination and spoke in support of the nominee.

The Committee gave consideration to the nomination and the 6 letters of support received. The Committee supported the nomination unanimously.

RESOLVED: That the Standards Committee support the nomination for the Honorary Freedom of the Borough submitted by Councillor M de Whalley for onward consideration by Cabinet and recommendations to Council as follows:

- 1) That Council consider the recommendations from Standards and Cabinet at an Extraordinary meeting on 17 June 2024 to consider the proposal to bestow the Freedom of the Borough on the Nominee which would be awarded as set out in recommendation 2 below:
- 2) That the Extraordinary Meeting of the Council being held before/after the Council meeting on 27 June 2024 to bestow the honour of Honorary Aldermen also include the award of the Honorary of Freedom of the Borough to the nominee, under s249 of the Local Government Act 1972, in recognition of the eminent service that the nominee has given to the Borough and west Norfolk.
- 3) That the common seal of the Council be affixed to a certificate to be presented to the nominee at that meeting.

The meeting closed at 1.42 pm