

At an Extraordinary meeting of the New Frankley in Birmingham Parish Council held at the Parish Council Office, 12 Arden Road, Frankley, on Monday, 10th September 2018, at 1930 hours

Present: Councillor Ian Bruckshaw (Chairperson)

Councillors Sue Baker, Eric Carter, Tammy Clayton, Linda Coates, Sam Goodwin, Sid Grey MBE, Jemma McCann, and Bruce Pitt

MINUTES

APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

5156 There were no apologies submitted.

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It was proposed by Councillor Carter, seconded by Councillor Linda Coates and, with none dissenting, was –

5157 **RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 20th August 2018, having previously been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

BACKGROUND

5158 The powers of the Parish Council to confer the title Honorary Freeman of the Parish together with criteria set out in Section 249 (5) of the Local Government act 1972 were noted.

RECEIPT OF NOMINATIONS – PROPOSED PROCEDURE

5159 It was agreed that nominations for the title of Honorary Freeman/Freewoman must be accompanied by reasons for the nomination in writing. Additionally, it was also agreed that all nominations relating to the previous Municipal Year be submitted to the Annual Meeting of the Council in May.

CRITERIA FOR GRANTING THE HONARY TITLE

Following some discussion, it was –

5160 RESOLVED: That the criteria for the awarding of the title of Honorary Freeman/Freewoman of the Parish be as follows -

Persons who have made a significant contribution to the Community for a period of at least 12 years or persons who have rendered commendable service to the Parish Council and Community including at least 12 years as a Councillor on the Parish Council.

APPOINTMENT OF FREEMAN

The following names of former Councillors which had been presented to the previous meeting of the Council as being worthy of the award were submitted.

Mr William Henry Hollis

Mr Gareth Griffiths

Mr Malcolm Clive Keating

While it was accepted that Mr Hollis and Mr Griffiths had met the criteria by serving on the Council for 16 years and 14 years respectively, Mr Keating had only served for 2 years and although it was acknowledged that he had undertaken work for the community, the length of time that had occurred was unknown.

After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that Mr Hollis and Mr Griffiths be awarded the title Honorary Freeman of the Parish, but in the case of Mr Keating, further research was needed to ascertain his eligibility.

It was therefore proposed by Councillor Pitt and seconded by Councillor Tammy Clayton and was -

- 5161 RESOLVED: That
- i) in pursuance of Section 249(5) of the Local Government Act 1972, and in recognition of being a person who has, in the opinion of the Council, rendered commendable service to the Parish Council and the Community, the Council hereby confers the title Honorary Freeman of the New Frankley in Birmingham Parish to Mr William Henry Hollis and Mr Gareth Griffiths; and
 - ii) further research be undertaken with respect of the nomination submitted on behalf of Mr Malcolm Clive Keating in order to ascertain his eligibility to meet the criteria for the award.

PRESENTATION OF THE ILLUMINATED ADDRESS

The following draft Address was submitted –

(Interleaved Document No. 1)

It was –

- 5162 RESOLVED: That the draft Address be approved and the Clerk be authorised seek quotations for Illuminated Addresses for Mr Hollis and Mr Griffiths from specialist suppliers.

The Meeting ended 1946 hours

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Chairperson

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Date