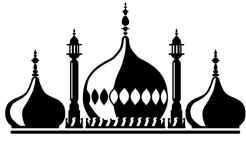


**BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY  
SPECIAL  
COUNCIL MEETING**

**3.00PM 16 JULY 2015**

**COUNCIL CHAMBER, BRIGHTON TOWN HALL**



**AGENDA**



**Brighton & Hove  
City Council**

# Council Meeting

Title:	<b>Special Council</b>
Date:	<b>16 July 2015</b>
Time:	<b>3.00pm</b>
Venue	<b>Council Chamber, Brighton Town Hall</b>
Members:	<b>All Councillors</b> You are summoned to attend a meeting of the BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL to transact the under-mentioned business.
Contact:	<b>Mark Wall</b> Head of Democratic Services 01273 291006 mark.wall@brighton-hove.gov.uk

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## AGENDA

### 1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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- (b) Any other interests required to be registered under the local code;
- (c) Any other general interest as a result of which a decision on the matter might reasonably be regarded as affecting you or a partner more than a majority of other people or businesses in the ward/s affected by the decision.

In each case, you need to declare

- (i) the item on the agenda the interest relates to;
- (ii) the nature of the interest; and
- (iii) whether it is a disclosable pecuniary interest or some other interest.

If unsure, Members should seek advice from the committee lawyer or administrator preferably before the meeting.

### 2 MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS.

To receive communications from the Mayor.

### 3 APPOINTMENT OF HONORARY ALDERWOMEN AND ALDERMEN

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Report of the Monitoring Officer (copy attached).

*Contact Officer: Mark Wall*

*Tel: 01273 291006*

*Ward Affected: All Wards*

### 4 VOTE OF THANKS TO PAST COUNCILLORS

The Mayor will move a vote of thanks to the past councillors following the recent local elections and present each of them with a certificate in recognition of their contribution to the city and their respective Wards:

Geoffrey Bowden, Queen's Park  
Ruth Buckley, Goldsmid  
Graham Cox, Westbourne  
Ian Davey, St Peter's & North Laine  
Ben Duncan, Queen's Park  
Leigh Farrow, Moulsecoomb & Bevendean  
Brian Fitch, Hangleton & Knoll  
Christopher Hawtree, Central Hove  
Rob Jarrett, Goldsmid  
Mike Jones, Preston Park  
Amy Kennedy, Preston Park  
Ania Kitcat, Regency

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Jason Kitcat, Regency  
Anne Pissaridou, Wish  
Stephanie Powell, Queen's Park  
Sven Rufus, Hollingdean & Stanmer  
Sue Shanks, Withdean  
David Smith, Rottingdean Coastal  
Christina Summers, Hollingdean & Stanmer  
Liz Wakefield, Hanover & Elm Grove  
Chaun Wilson, East Brighton

*Ward Affected: All Wards*

### 5 CLOSE OF MEETING

The Mayor will formally close the meeting.

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For further details and general enquiries about this meeting contact Mark Wall, (01273 291006, email [mark.wall@brighton-hove.gov.uk](mailto:mark.wall@brighton-hove.gov.uk)) or email [democratic.services@brighton-hove.gov.uk](mailto:democratic.services@brighton-hove.gov.uk).

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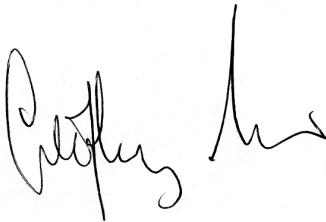
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16 July 2015

Brighton &amp; Hove City Council

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Appointment of Honorary Alderwomen and Aldermen</b>		
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>16 July 2015</b>		
<b>Report of:</b>	<b>Chief Executive</b>		
<b>Contact Officer:</b>	<b>Name:</b>	<b>Mark Wall</b>	<b>Tel: 29-1006</b>
	<b>Email:</b>	<b>mark.wall@brighton-hove.gov.uk</b>	
<b>Ward(s) affected:</b>	<b>All</b>		

**FOR GENERAL RELEASE****1. PURPOSE OF REPORT AND POLICY CONTEXT**

- 1.1 To consider whether it would be appropriate to mark and record the contributions of those previous members of the Council who have made an exceptional contribution to the work of the council and to the community, by making them Honorary Aldermen or Alderwomen.
- 1.2 This report asks Council to confer the honour and title of (a) Honorary Alderwoman of Brighton & Hove and (b) Honorary Alderman of Brighton & Hove on those nominated and listed in paragraph 3 of the report to have such a title.

**2. RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 2.1 That the Council admits Jeane Lepper to be an Honorary Alderwoman of Brighton & Hove; and
- 2.2 That the Council admits Bob Carden, Brian Pidgeon, Bill Randall, Harry Steer and Geoff Wells to be an Honorary Aldermen of Brighton and Hove.

**3. CONTEXT/ BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- 3.1 As recognition of eminent past services to a council, the council may, at a meeting specially convened for that purpose, confer the title of Honorary Alderman. A majority of two-thirds of the Members present at such a meeting is required.
- 3.2 The title is purely a mark of respect and does not confer on the holder any right to attend Council or Committee meetings or to be made any payment.
- 3.3 If the holder becomes or is a councillor the title is effectively suspended and may not be used as a form of address nor entitle the holder to attend civic ceremonies as an Alderman or Alderwoman. Otherwise it is open to the council to invite Honorary Aldermen and Alderwomen to civic ceremonies.
- 3.4 The agreed protocol for the basis of nominations for Honorary Aldermen and Alderwomen is set out below:

Protocol:

- a) Qualification for nomination only relates to those Members, who have served on Brighton & Hove City Council, (with service on the constituent authorities also being taken into account),
- b) Have a period of at least 15 years' service, or
- c) Have a period of at least 12 years and notable service such as Chair of an Executive Committee.

3.5 The following past members of the council have been duly nominated having met the criteria in 3.4 above:

- (i) Bob Carden, North Portslade Ward
- (ii) Jeane Lepper, Hollingdean & Stanmer Ward
- (iii) Brian Pidgeon, Patcham Ward
- (iv) Bill Randall, Hanover & Elm Grove Ward
- (v) Harry Steer, North Portslade Ward
- (vi) Geoff Wells, Woodingdean Ward

#### **4. ANALYSIS & CONSIDERATION OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

4.1 The conferring of the title of Honorary Alderwoman or Alderman is regarded as a mark of recognition for the work and commitment given by a former councillor to the authority, their ward and the city.

#### **5. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & CONSULTATION**

5.1 All the Group Leaders have been consulted about the proposed admission of those listed to be conferred as an Honorary Alderwoman or Alderman and were in agreement.

#### **6. CONCLUSION**

6.1 That in meeting the agreed protocol, Mr. Bob Carden, Ms. Jeane Lepper, Mr. Brian Pidgeon, Mr. Bill Randall, Mr. Harry Steer, and Mr. Geoff Wells as past Members of the City Council be considered for the award of the title Honorary Alderwoman or Alderman, and be put forward to receive the title.

#### **7. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:**

7.1 No direct financial implications arise from the recommendation in this report. Any costs as a result of the specially convened meeting will be met from within existing budgets.

Financial Implications:

*Finance Officer Consulted: Peter Francis*

*Date: 07/07/2015*



Legal Implications:

- 7.2 Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 empowers the Council to admit to be Honorary Aldermen or Alderwomen of Brighton and Hove; persons who have, in the opinion of the Council, rendered eminent services to the City as past Members of the council, and who are no longer Members. The award of the title of Honorary Alderwoman or Alderman has to be done by a resolution passed by not less than two-thirds of the Members voting at a meeting of the council specially convened for the purpose.

*Lawyer Consulted: Abraham Ghebre-Ghiorghis Date: 07/07/15*

Equalities Implications:

- 7.3 There are no equalities implications arising from the report.

Sustainability Implications:

- 7.4 There are no sustainability implications arising from the report.

Any Other Significant Implications:

Corporate / Citywide Implications:

- 7.5 The appointment of Honorary Alderwomen and Aldermen is a decision taken by the Council with at least two thirds of the voting Members present in favour of the recommendation.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION**

**Appendices:**

None

**Documents in Members' Rooms**

None

**Background Documents**

None

