PETERBOROUGH CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD 14 APRIL 2010

The Mayor - Councillor Irene Walsh

Present:

Councillors: Allen, Arculus, Benton, Burton, Cereste, Collins, Croft, M Dalton, S Dalton, C Day, D Day, S Day, Dobbs, Fazal, Fletcher, JA Fox, JR Fox, Goodwin, Harrington, Hiller, Holdich, Khan, Kreling, Lamb, Lee, Lowndes, Miners, Morley, Nash, Nawaz, Newton, Over, Peach, Rush, Saltmarsh, Sanders, Scott, Seaton, Swift, Thacker, Todd, Walsh, Wilkinson and Winslade.

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Ash, Fitzgerald, Goldspink, Hussain, Lane, Murphy, North and Sharp.

2. Declarations of Interest

None received.

3. Honorary Freedom of the City

The Mayor announced that the mover and seconder of the motion would have longer to speak than for a regular item of business and other speakers would have 3 minutes each.

Councillor Cereste moved the motion that Council confer the honorary freedom of the city upon the members of Girlguiding Cambridgeshire West in Peterborough with the intent that they shall henceforth be permitted to proceed at their will through the city on ceremonial occasions in uniform and with colours flying (see Appendix A).

Councillor Swift seconded the motion and commended the Girl Guides for their actions since 1909, through both World Wars, to the present day. Councillor Swift commented that the Scouts and Guides had contributed more to the unpaid voluntary work for youth services than any council department.

During debate, the main points put forward were as follows:

- This was an opportunity for the Council to be unanimous in its decision;
- it was a proud moment to see a girl's organisation honoured in this way;
- it was good to see such commitment and service from young people when so many are being wrongly condemned for anti social and bad behaviour;
- Councillors Saltmarsh and Judy Fox were to become ambassadors for the Girlguide movement for Peterborough.

Following debate, the motion was unanimously **AGREED**.

	Meeting closed at 6.20 pm
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PETERBOROUGH CITY COUNCIL

EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 14 APRIL 2010

NOTICE OF MOTION

The following notice of motion has been received, in accordance with Council Standing Order 15

Motion from Councillor Marco Cereste, The Leader of the Council

Seconded by Councillor CW Swift, OBE (Freeman of the City)

"Council resolves:

THAT we, the Members of Peterborough City Council, assembled in accordance with section 249(5) of the Local Government Act 1972,

RECOGNISE the immense contribution rendered to the City by members of Girlguiding Cambridgeshire West in Peterborough;

ACKNOWLEDGE that there are some 1,200 Girlguiding members in the City of Peterborough;

APPRECIATE that the Girlguiding leaders are volunteers, proud of their city and local area, and who provide their time freely to support the personal development of young people;

ARE MINDFUL that Girlguiding members make a substantial contribution by reaching out to communities and undertaking innovative projects that improve the perception of young people within the City;

VALUE the promotion of Girlguiding by the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potential as individuals, responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities:

SALUTE the great support which Girlguiding offers to the local community, in that the membership is open to all girls and young women irrespective of their background, colour, religion or nationality;

AND WE HEREBY CONFER the honorary freedom of the city upon the members of Girlguiding Cambridgeshire West in Peterborough with the intent that they shall henceforth be permitted to proceed at their will through the city on ceremonial occasions in uniform and with colours flying."