

PETERBOROUGH CITY COUNCIL SUMMONS TO A MEETING

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Peterborough City Council, which will be held in the Engine Shed, Sand Martin House, Peterborough on

WEDNESDAY 28 JULY 2021 at 6.00 pm

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Chief Executive

20 July 2021
Sand Martin
House
Peterborough

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SPECIAL COUNCIL	AGENDA ITEM No.3(a)
28 July 2021	PUBLIC REPORT

HONORARY ALDERMAN AWARD – Chris Ash

RECOMMENDATIONS	
FROM: <i>Councillor Peter Hiller, Chairman of the Honours Panel</i>	Deadline date: <i>N/A</i>
<p>It is recommended that Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Awards the status of Honorary Alderman to the former Member of Council Chris Ash. 2. Awards badge of office to the former Member awarded the status of Honorary Alderman at a formal ceremony on a date to be agreed. 	

1. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 To recommend to Council that the status of Honorary Alderman be awarded to the former councillor listed in the recommendation above.

2. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

- 2.1 Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended, empowers the Council, by resolution passed by not less than two thirds of the members voting at a meeting specially convened for the purpose, to confer the title of Honorary Alderman on a person who has, in the Council's opinion, rendered eminent services to the Council as a past member.
- 2.2 This recommendation is made by the Director of Law and Governance based on recommendations determined by the Honours Panel. The Honours Panel is chaired by the Councillor Hiller. This is an informal group, and although its decisions have no formal status, it has agreed that these recommendations should be put forward taking into account the following criteria:
 - 2.2.1 A former councillor who has been re-elected for at least 3 terms and has served a minimum of 11 years' service;
 - 2.2.2 Who has rendered eminent services to the council as a past member, taking into account membership of committees and external organisations, whether or not the former councillor served as Mayor, and whether he or she achieved anything worthy of particular note.
- 2.3 Council have previously resolved that the above criteria be accepted, and that councillors who served before the Council became a unitary authority should be included.
- 2.4 The Honours Panel considered that the former councillor listed in the recommendation met these criteria, and therefore recommend to Council that they should be awarded the status of Honorary Alderman. The recommendations are made on the following basis:
 - 2.4.1 Chris Ash served as a councillor for Dogsthorpe ward from May 1986 until May 1994 and then again from May 2000 until May 2021. During his terms of office, he served on many committees including Corporate Parenting, Licensing and Planning Review. He was Deputy Mayor in 2017-2018 and was Mayor of Peterborough 2018-2019.

- 2.5 Honorary Aldermen may attend and take part in such civic ceremonies as the Council may from time to time decide. They have no other formal role. Honorary Aldermen are not entitled to receive any members' allowances or other payments of allowances, expenses, etc.
- 2.6 Whilst a person who is a serving councillor cannot be made an Honorary Alderman, a person awarded this status may subsequently be re-elected as a councillor, but shall not then be addressed as Alderman or entitled to take part in any civic ceremonies as an Alderman.

3. IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The legal implications are set out in the body of the report. There will be modest financial implications, which will be met from within the existing civic budget, for the provision of a suitable badge of office, and the cost of a ceremony.

4. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

- 4.1 None.

SPECIAL COUNCIL	AGENDA ITEM No.3(b)
28 July 2021	PUBLIC REPORT

HONORARY ALDERMAN AWARD – John Holdich

RECOMMENDATIONS	
FROM: <i>Councillor Peter Hiller, Chairman of the Honours Panel</i>	Deadline date: N/A
<p>It is recommended that Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Awards the status of Honorary Alderman to the former Member of Council John Holdich 2. Awards badge of office to the former Member awarded the status of Honorary Alderman at a formal ceremony on a date to be agreed. 	

1. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 To recommend to Council that the status of Honorary Alderman be awarded to the former councillor listed in the recommendation above.

2. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

- 2.1 Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended, empowers the Council, by resolution passed by not less than two thirds of the members voting at a meeting specially convened for the purpose, to confer the title of Honorary Alderman on a person who has, in the Council's opinion, rendered eminent services to the Council as a past member.
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 - 2.2.2 Who has rendered eminent services to the council as a past member, taking into account membership of committees and external organisations, whether or not the former councillor served as Mayor, and whether he or she achieved anything worthy of particular note.
- 2.3 Council have previously resolved that the above criteria be accepted, and that councillors who served before the Council became a unitary authority should be included.
- 2.4 The Honours Panel considered that the former councillor listed in the recommendation met these criteria, and therefore recommend to Council that they should be awarded the status of Honorary Alderman. The recommendations are made on the following basis:
 - 2.4.1 John Holdich served as a councillor for Ginton and Castor ward from May 1979 until May 2021. During his terms of office, he served on many committees including chairing Health & Wellbeing Board, Appeals and Planning Review and Scrutiny and sitting on, over the years, many others. He served as Leader of the Council and the Deputy Mayor of the Combined Authority in addition to being elected as Mayor of Peterborough.

- 2.5 Honorary Aldermen may attend and take part in such civic ceremonies as the Council may from time to time decide. They have no other formal role. Honorary Aldermen are not entitled to receive any members' allowances or other payments of allowances, expenses, etc.
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4. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

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- 4.1 None.

SPECIAL COUNCIL	AGENDA ITEM No.3(c)
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HONORARY ALDERMAN AWARD – David Seaton

RECOMMENDATIONS	
FROM: <i>Councillor Peter Hiller, Chairman of the Honours Panel</i>	Deadline date: <i>N/A</i>
<p>It is recommended that Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Awards the status of Honorary Alderman to the former Member of Council David Seaton. 2. Awards badge of office to the former Member awarded the status of Honorary Alderman at a formal ceremony on a date to be agreed. 	

1. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 To recommend to Council that the status of Honorary Alderman be awarded to the former councillor listed in the recommendation above.

2. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

- 2.1 Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended, empowers the Council, by resolution passed by not less than two thirds of the members voting at a meeting specially convened for the purpose, to confer the title of Honorary Alderman on a person who has, in the Council's opinion, rendered eminent services to the Council as a past member.
- 2.2 This recommendation is made by the Director of Law and Governance based on recommendations determined by the Honours Panel. The Honours Panel is chaired by the Councillor Hiller. This is an informal group, and although its decisions have no formal status, it has agreed that these recommendations should be put forward taking into account the following criteria:
 - 2.2.1 A former councillor who has been re-elected for at least 3 terms and has served a minimum of 11 years' service;
 - 2.2.2 Who has rendered eminent services to the council as a past member, taking into account membership of committees and external organisations, whether or not the former councillor served as Mayor, and whether he or she achieved anything worthy of particular note.
- 2.3 Council have previously resolved that the above criteria be accepted, and that councillors who served before the Council became a unitary authority should be included.
- 2.4 The Honours Panel considered that the former councillor listed in the recommendation met these criteria, and therefore recommend to Council that they should be awarded the status of Honorary Alderman. The recommendations are made on the following basis:
 - 2.4.1 David Seaton served as a councillor for Hampton Vale ward from May 2008 until May 2021, During his terms of office, he served on many committees including Appeals & Planning Review and Employment. He also chaired the Constitution & Ethics and acted as Vice Chair for Planning Review. David was also a Cabinet Member with the Finance portfolio.

- 2.5 Honorary Aldermen may attend and take part in such civic ceremonies as the Council may from time to time decide. They have no other formal role. Honorary Aldermen are not entitled to receive any members' allowances or other payments of allowances, expenses, etc.
- 2.6 Whilst a person who is a serving councillor cannot be made an Honorary Alderman, a person awarded this status may subsequently be re-elected as a councillor, but shall not then be addressed as Alderman or entitled to take part in any civic ceremonies as an Alderman.

3. IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The legal implications are set out in the body of the report. There will be modest financial implications, which will be met from within the existing civic budget, for the provision of a suitable badge of office, and the cost of a ceremony.

4. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

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- 4.1 None.

SPECIAL COUNCIL	AGENDA ITEM No.3(d)
28 July 2021	PUBLIC REPORT

HONORARY ALDERMAN AWARD – Darren Fower

RECOMMENDATIONS	
FROM: <i>Councillor Peter Hiller, Chairman of the Honours Panel</i>	Deadline date: <i>N/A</i>
<p>It is recommended that Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Awards the status of Honorary Alderman to the former Member of Council Darren Fower. 2. Awards badge of office to the former Member awarded the status of Honorary Alderman at a formal ceremony on a date to be agreed. 	

1. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 To recommend to Council that the status of Honorary Alderman be awarded to the former councillor listed in the recommendation above.

2. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

- 2.1 Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended, empowers the Council, by resolution passed by not less than two thirds of the members voting at a meeting specially convened for the purpose, to confer the title of Honorary Alderman on a person who has, in the Council's opinion, rendered eminent services to the Council as a past member.
- 2.2 This recommendation is made by the Director of Law and Governance based on recommendations determined by the Honours Panel. The Honours Panel is chaired by the Councillor Hiller. This is an informal group, and although its decisions have no formal status, it has agreed that these recommendations should be put forward taking into account the following criteria:
 - 2.2.1 A former councillor who has been re-elected for at least 3 terms and has served a minimum of 11 years' service;
 - 2.2.2 Who has rendered eminent services to the council as a past member, taking into account membership of committees and external organisations, whether or not the former councillor served as Mayor, and whether he or she achieved anything worthy of particular note.
- 2.3 Council have previously resolved that the above criteria be accepted, and that councillors who served before the Council became a unitary authority should be included.
- 2.4 The Honours Panel considered that the former councillor listed in the recommendation met these criteria, and therefore recommend to Council that they should be awarded the status of Honorary Alderman. The recommendations are made on the following basis:
 - 2.4.1 Darren Fower served as a councillor for Paston & Gunthorpe ward from May 2000 until May 2016 and additionally in Gunthorpe ward from May 2016 until May 2021. During his terms of office, he served on many committees including Audit, Standards, Corporate Parenting and was Vice Chair on Creating Opportunities & Tackling Inequalities

- 2.5 Honorary Aldermen may attend and take part in such civic ceremonies as the Council may from time to time decide. They have no other formal role. Honorary Aldermen are not entitled to receive any members' allowances or other payments of allowances, expenses, etc.
- 2.6 Whilst a person who is a serving councillor cannot be made an Honorary Alderman, a person awarded this status may subsequently be re-elected as a councillor, but shall not then be addressed as Alderman or entitled to take part in any civic ceremonies as an Alderman.

3. IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The legal implications are set out in the body of the report. There will be modest financial implications, which will be met from within the existing civic budget, for the provision of a suitable badge of office, and the cost of a ceremony.

4. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

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- 4.1 None.

SPECIAL COUNCIL	AGENDA ITEM No.3(e)
28 July 2021	PUBLIC REPORT

HONORARY ALDERMAN AWARD – DIANE LAMB

RECOMMENDATIONS	
FROM: <i>Councillor Peter Hiller, Chairman of the Honours Panel</i>	Deadline date: N/A
<p>It is recommended that Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Awards the status of Honorary Alderman to the former Member of Council Diane Lamb 2. Awards badge of office to the former Member awarded the status of Honorary Alderman at a formal ceremony on a date to be agreed. 	

1. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 To recommend to Council that the status of Honorary Alderman be awarded to the former councillor listed in the recommendation above.

2. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

- 2.1 Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended, empowers the Council, by resolution passed by not less than two thirds of the members voting at a meeting specially convened for the purpose, to confer the title of Honorary Alderman on a person who has, in the Council's opinion, rendered eminent services to the Council as a past member.
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- 2.3 Council have previously resolved that the above criteria be accepted, and that councillors who served before the Council became a unitary authority should be included.
- 2.4 The Honours Panel considered that the former councillor listed in the recommendation met these criteria, and therefore recommend to Council that they should be awarded the status of Honorary Alderman. The recommendations are made on the following basis:
 - 2.4.1 Diane Lamb served as a councillor for Wittering ward from May 2004 until May 2021, During her terms of office, she served on many committees including Health & Wellbeing Board, Health Scrutiny, Planning Review and acted as Chair of the Employment Committee. Diane was also a member of the Cabinet with the Health portfolio and was Deputy Mayor 2019-21.

2.5 Honorary Aldermen may attend and take part in such civic ceremonies as the Council may from time to time decide. They have no other formal role. Honorary Aldermen are not entitled to receive any members' allowances or other payments of allowances, expenses, etc.

2.6 Whilst a person who is a serving councillor cannot be made an Honorary Alderman, a person awarded this status may subsequently be re-elected as a councillor, but shall not then be addressed as Alderman or entitled to take part in any civic ceremonies as an Alderman.

3. IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The legal implications are set out in the body of the report. There will be modest financial implications, which will be met from within the existing civic budget, for the provision of a suitable badge of office, and the cost of a ceremony.

4. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

4.1 None.

PETERBOROUGH CITY COUNCIL

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 28th July 2021

NOTICE OF MOTION

The following notice of motion has been received, in accordance with Standing Order 19.

Motion from *Councillor Peter Hiller*

Seconded by *Councillor Mohammed Jamil*

“Council resolves:

That we, the Members of Peterborough City Council, assembled in accordance with Section 249(5) of the Local Government Act 1972 acknowledge the eminent service rendered to the City by John Holdich.

Local government is in John Holdich's blood. His father Fred Holdich was a councillor for 47 years and there has been a Holdich on one council or another since 1880.

John won his first election in 1977 in the old Minster ward on Cambridgeshire County Council and then in 1979 he took on further responsibility after being elected councillor for Peterborough City Council, which at the time was a district council. In 1981 he lost his county council seat, whilst remaining on the city council, but was back again as a county councillor in 1988 representing 23 rural villages until 1997 when the unitary authority of Peterborough City Council was constituted.

John has represented the rural villages including Glinton and Castor ever since. He and his wife Barbara, who he has been married to for 54 years, were Mayor and Mayoress of Peterborough in 1995/96 and Deputy Mayor and Mayoress in 1988/89. He has also served as a Glinton parish councillor since 1979 - 20 of those years as chairman – and as chair of governors at City College Peterborough for 42 years which has been rated good by Ofsted for the past decade and provides access to education for 3,000 people every year. More recently he has served as deputy mayor of the combined authority since 2015.

He was chairman of the Peterborough Conservative Association for 12 years and campaign manager to the late Brian Mawhinney who served as MP for Peterborough from 1979 to 2005.

John Holdich has many career highlights, not least the OBE he received from Prince Charles in 1996 and his year as Mayor of Peterborough during which he and Barbara raised £37,000 for The Alzheimer's Society and Arthritis UK, a record he held for more than ten years.

He says he is most proud of his work with young people and those with disabilities, for example the adult training centre in Eye, Changing Days, which he helped set up to assist people with learning difficulties to gain independence and employment. He is also proud of

the project to transfer of the council's housing stock to Cross Keys Homes, giving residents at the time a better standard of home; a project he led as cabinet member.

However, his enduring legacy will be the work in the formation and delivery of Peterborough's new university.

In recognition of the above, WE DO HEREBY CONFER the honorary Freedom of the City upon John Holdich, of Peterborough."

PETERBOROUGH CITY COUNCIL

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 28th JULY 2021

NOTICE OF MOTION

The following notice of motion has been received, in accordance with Standing Order 19.

Motion from *Councillor John Fox*

Seconded by *Councillor Mohammed Farooq*

“Council resolves:

That we, the Members of Peterborough City Council, assembled in accordance with Section 249(5) of the Local Government Act 1972 acknowledge the eminent service rendered to the City by Peterborough Branch of Royal British Legion.

In May 1921 The British Legion was formed, bringing together four national organisations of ex-Servicemen that had established themselves to support those who had suffered as a result of service during the First World War. The Peterborough Branch was formed a month later on 27th June, and for 100 consecutive years has been supporting the local Armed Forces community; remembering those who have served and sacrificed during two world wars and subsequent conflicts.

A key moment for the Branch was the opening ceremony of the club house at Thorpe Lawn in 1921. General Lord Horne cut barbed wire to enter the club with cutters that were used through the war by General Strong. Lord Horne praised the Northamptonshire fighting men for their spirit and encouraged the public to support the club and the British Legion.

One of the highlights of the Branch’s history was the opening of Haig Hall on 6th March 1931; and this building exists today and is home to Peterborough City College; with a memorial stone placed in the foyer referencing the building’s origins.

Over the years, the Branch has contributed towards four War Memorials. The first was the Peterborough & District War Memorial Hospital that opened in 1928.

The second Memorial was on Bridge Street and was in use from 1986 until 1995 when it was replaced by the third Memorial located on the north side of the Cathedral Grounds.

In 2012 the Branch raised funds for the construction of the current War Memorial on Bridge Street. This memorial, in a prominent position, is the one used today by the Branch and the local community to commemorate anniversaries and remember all those who served and sacrificed to defend our freedom. It has become the centrepiece for civic occasions.

The Royal British Legion is the Custodian of Remembrance and is best known for it’s annual Poppy Appeal. In recent years Branch Members have managed to increase the amount of funds raised to support the Poppy Appeal and in 2018-2019 they raised an incredible £141,883.29. Over the years, the Branch has been extremely fortunate to have had lots of dedicated volunteers, a tribute should be paid to all of them. The logistical challenges are huge but they are ultimately raising funds for the welfare of our servicemen and women, and veterans.

The Branch is always represented at Civic occasions, for Remembrance Day, VE Day and VJ Day. But, as you would expect, Peterborough has a couple of unique events that attract attention from outside the City. Indeed, one of them from the other side of the World. Among those remembered is the 'lonely Anzac' Sergeant Hunter, an Australian soldier who was neither born, nor lived in Peterborough but after being injured during WW1 he sadly died in the area in 1916 and is buried in the Broadway Cemetery. The Branch also remembers the role that animals played during the Great War, with Jimmy the Donkey, buried in Central Park. Jimmy, a decorated donkey, was born on The Somme. He was retired to Peterborough after the war and was loved by soldiers as well as civilians.

In recognition of the above, WE DO HEREBY CONFER the honorary Freedom of the City upon Royal British Legion (Peterborough), of Peterborough."