

**Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council
Thursday, 20th May, 2021 at 5.30 pm
in the Town Hall, St James's Road, Dudley**

Present:

Councillor D Stanley (Mayor)
Councillors K Ahmed, R Ahmed, S Ali, A Aston, M Aston, P Atkins, N Barlow, C Barnett, C Bayton, I Bevan, R Body, D Borley, P Bradley, R Burston, R Buttery, B Challenor, S Clark, J Clinton, R Collins, D Corfield, T Crumpton, A Davies, P Dobb, P Drake, C Elcock, M Evans, A Finch, K Finch, J Foster, B Gentle, A Goddard, S Greenaway, M Hanif, D Harley, P Harley, S Henley, A Hopwood, Z Islam, L Johnson, S Keasey, I Kettle, E Lawrence, P Lee, A Lees, K Lewis, P Lowe, P Miller, A Millward, S Mughal, C Neale, N Neale, S Phipps, K Razzaq, S Ridley, J Roberts, M Rogers, P Sahota, S Saleem, K Shakespeare, W Sullivan, A Taylor, E Taylor, L Taylor, D Vickers, S Waltho, M Westwood, T Westwood and Q Zada together with the Chief Executive and other Officers

Prayers

Father J Oakes led the Council in prayer.

67 **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors D Bevan, R Clinton and J Cowell.

68 **Declaration of Interests**

In line with dispensations set out in the Members' Code of Conduct, no Member had a disclosable pecuniary interest in relation to the ceremonial honours referred to in Minute No. 69 below.

Appointment of Honorary Freemen/Women and Honorary Aldermen/Women

A report of the Chief Executive was submitted.

It was moved by Councillor P Harley, seconded by Councillor Q Zada and

Resolved

- (1) That pursuant to Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, and in accordance with the approved criteria, this Council hereby appoints Hilary Bills as an Honorary Freewoman of the Borough and hereby appoints Les Jones and Councillor Ian Kettle as Honorary Freemen of the Borough.
- (2) That pursuant to Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, this Council hereby confers the title of Honorary Alderman upon the former Councillors Bryan Cotterill and Dave Tyler.
- (3) That the Chief Executive be authorised to make the necessary arrangements regarding the presentation of the awards to the recipients.

The meeting ended at 5.40pm

MAYOR

