


General Purposes and Arbitration Committee

11 April 2019

Subject:	Nominations for the Offices of Civic Mayor and Deputy Civic Mayor of Sandwell for the 2019/2020 Municipal Year
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DECISION RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Committee:

1. recommends to Annual Council the nominations for the offices of the Civic Mayor and Deputy Civic Mayor of Sandwell for the Municipal Year 2019/2020.

1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 The Committee is invited to consider the nomination of Elected Members to the offices of the Civic Mayor and the Deputy Civic Mayor of Sandwell for the Municipal Year 2019/2020.
- 1.2 The Council, at its meeting on 8 January 2013, approved the process for the selection of the Civic Mayor based on the following criteria:-
 - nominees shall be serving members of Sandwell Council who have not previously served as Civic Mayor;
 - nominees shall have given notable service to the Borough of Sandwell as a councillor and/or within the local community;
 - each nomination shall be submitted by a serving member of the Council supported by five other serving members of the Council, regardless of political party.

- 1.3 All members of the Council have been invited to submit nominations for the office of Civic Mayor. Valid nominations received will be reported at the meeting.
- 1.4 The nomination for the office of Deputy Civic Mayor will also be reported at the meeting.

2 IMPLICATIONS FOR SANDWELL'S VISION

- 2.1 As the first citizen of Sandwell, the Civic Mayor and Deputy Civic Mayor are ambassadors of the Council, thus promoting and thereby contributing to all of the Council's ambitions.

3 STRATEGIC RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The Council makes financial provision annually to enable the functions of the Mayoralty to be undertaken. Staff support is provided by the Mayor's Office.

4 LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE CONSIDERATIONS

- 4.1 The Council is legally required to appoint a ceremonial Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the 2019/20 municipal year.
- 4.2 The General Purposes and Arbitration Committee has the responsibility under its terms of reference to make recommendations to the Council on nominations for the Civic Mayor of the Council.
- 4.3 The role and responsibilities of the Civic Mayor are contained within Article 5 of the Council's Constitution.

5 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 5.1 An equality impact assessment is not required.

6 DATA PROTECTION IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 6.1 A data protection impact assessment is not required.

7 CRIME AND DISORDER AND RISK ASSESSMENT

- 7.1 There are no crime and disorder issues arising from this report.

8 SUSTAINABILITY OF PROPOSALS

8.1 There are no implications arising from this report.

9 HEALTH AND WELLBEING IMPLICATIONS (INCLUDING SOCIAL VALUE)

9.1 There are no health and wellbeing implications arising from this report.

10 IMPACT ON ANY COUNCIL MANAGED PROPERTY OR LAND

10.1 There is no impact on any Council managed property arising from this report.

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