

Report to General Purposes and Arbitration Committee

22 February 2021

Subject:	Nominations for the Offices of Civic Mayor and Deputy Civic Mayor of Sandwell for the 2021/22 Municipal Year
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1 Recommendations







- 1.1 That the Committee recommends to Council the nominations for the offices of the Civic Mayor and Deputy Civic Mayor of Sandwell for the Municipal year 2021/22

2 Reasons for Recommendations

- 2.1 The Committee is invited to consider the nomination of Elected Members to the offices of Civic Mayor and Deputy Civic Mayor of Sandwell for the Municipal Year 2021/2022.



3 How does this deliver objectives of the Corporate Plan?

     	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.
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4 Context and Key Issues

4.1 The Council, at its meeting on 8 January 2013, approved the process for the selection of 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.

4.2 All members of the Council have been invited to submit nominations for the office of Civic Mayor and a valid nomination has been received in respect of:-

Councillor M Hussain

4.3 The nomination for the office of Deputy Civic Mayor will also be reported at the meeting.

5 Alternative Options

5.1 The Council is legally required to appoint a Civic Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the 2021/2022 municipal year.



6 Implications

Resources:	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.
Legal and Governance:	The Council is legally required to appoint a Civic Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the 2020/2021 municipal year. 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. The role and responsibilities of the Civic Mayor are contained within Article 5 of the Council's Constitution.
Risk:	There are no risk implications arising from this report
Equality:	An equality impact assessment is not required
Health and Wellbeing:	There are no health and wellbeing implications arising from this report.
Social Value	There are no implications arising directly from this report.

7. Appendices

None

8. Background Papers

None

