



## Appointment of Honorary Aldermen

Thursday 21 September 2017

### Report of the Monitoring Officer

#### Purpose of this Report

The report seeks Council approval to the appointment of additional Honorary Aldermen.

#### Background

In 2010 and 2014, in recognition of their service to Buckinghamshire County Council, the Council appointed a number of former County Councillors to the position of Honorary Aldermen. Nominations for this honour are restricted to past Councillors who have given eminent service to the Council in line with the following criteria:

#### Honorary Aldermen Criteria

To be eligible to be nominated as an Honorary Alderman, a person should have served a period of at least 8 years (i.e. two terms) as an Elected Member AND have met at least one of the following:

- Have served at least one term as Chairman of a Standing Committee
- Have served as Chairman of the Council
- Have served as Group Leader for at least four years
- Held a Cabinet position for at least three years with distinction
- Held to have given exceptional service, and where supported by a majority of Members

As Aldermen undertake an ambassadorial role on behalf of the County Council, supporting both the Chairman and the Council, the main place of residence for Aldermen should be in Buckinghamshire.

Current Honorary Aldermen are:

Mrs Cherry Aston  
Mr Bruce Allen  
Mrs Marion Clayton  
Mr Mike Colston  
Mrs Pamela Crawford  
Mr Kenneth Ross DL

Mrs Gillian Miscampbell OBC DL  
Mr David Polhill  
Mr Richard Pushman  
Mrs Freda Roberts MBE  
Mr Trevor Fowler  
Mr Peter Lawrence

In accordance with Council delegations and following recent elections, Group Leaders, the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Council and the Chief Executive have identified three further persons to be considered for the position of Honorary Aldermen.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**Council is asked to AGREE the appointment of the following persons as Honorary Aldermen:**

**Mrs Margaret Aston  
Mrs Avril Davies  
Mrs Valerie Letheren**

**SARAH ASHMEAD  
MONITORING OFFICER**