Council – 5th November 2007

Guild of Former Mayors – Council recognition

Summary of report

The Leader of the Council has received a letter from the Walsall Guild of Former Mayors requesting that the Council give formal recognition to the Guild. The Guild was formally established with the following aims and objectives:

To seek to sustain, promote, enhance the civic dignity of the Metropolitan Borough of Walsall, having especial regard to the maintenance of the civic traditions, which are enshrined in the history of the town of Walsall over a period of 600 years. To further this aim, the Guild will:

- Liaise and co-operate with any other established organisation in Walsall who share this objective.
- Be available on request to assist the incumbent Mayor with support and guidance during his/her term office.
- Be available on request to support the Mayor when entertaining overseas visitors.
- To be consulted on any proposed changes in the Mayoral traditions

A copy of the full Constitution and membership of the Guild is attached as an appendix to this report.

Recommendation

That this Council formally recognises the Walsall Guild of Former Mayors.

Resource and legal considerations

There is nothing contained in the Council's Constitution to prevent the Council giving official recognition to this body, and there will be no resource implications as the Guild has its own appointed officers.

Background papers

None



Signed:

Interim Chief Executive

Date: 26th October 2007

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