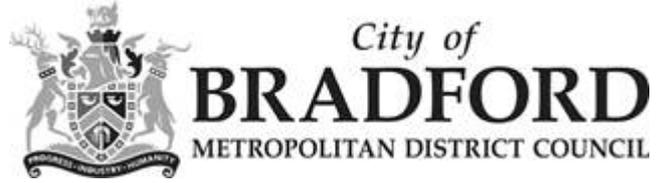


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Date: 6 January 2020

Dear Councillor

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL – TUESDAY, 14 JANUARY 2020

You are requested to attend the Extraordinary meeting of the Council to be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Bradford, on Tuesday, 14 January 2020 at **3.30 pm**.

The agenda for the meeting is set out overleaf.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'P. Akhtar'.

Parveen Akhtar
City Solicitor

Notes:

- ◆ This agenda can be made available in Braille, large print or tape format.
- ◆ The taking of photographs, filming and sound recording of the meeting is allowed except if Councillors vote to exclude the public to discuss confidential matters covered by Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. Recording activity should be respectful to the conduct of the meeting and behaviour that disrupts the meeting (such as oral commentary) will not be permitted. Anyone attending the meeting who wishes to record or film the meeting's proceedings is advised to liaise with the Agenda Contact who will provide guidance and ensure that any necessary arrangements are in place. Those present at the meeting should be aware that they may be filmed or sound recorded.

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Members are reminded that under the Members' Code of Conduct, they must register within 28 days any changes to their financial and other interests and notify the Monitoring Officer of any gift or hospitality received.

AGENDA

A. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

1. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

(Members Code of Conduct - Part 4A of the Constitution)

To receive disclosures of interests from members and co-opted members on matters to be considered at the meeting. The disclosure must include the nature of the interest.

An interest must also be disclosed in the meeting when it becomes apparent to the member during the meeting.

Notes:

- (1) *Members may remain in the meeting and take part fully in discussion and voting unless the interest is a disclosable pecuniary interest or an interest which the Member feels would call into question their compliance with the wider principles set out in the Code of Conduct. Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to the Member concerned or their spouse/partner.*
- (2) *Members in arrears of Council Tax by more than two months must not vote in decisions on, or which might affect, budget calculations, and must disclose at the meeting that this restriction applies to them. A failure to comply with these requirements is a criminal offence under section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.*
- (3) *Members are also welcome to disclose interests which are not disclosable pecuniary interests but which they consider should be made in the interest of clarity.*
- (4) *Officers must disclose interests in accordance with Council Standing Order 44.*

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. INSPECTION OF REPORTS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS

(Access to Information Procedure Rules – Part 3B of the Constitution)

Reports and background papers for agenda items may be inspected by contacting the person shown after each agenda item. Certain reports and background papers may be restricted.

Any request to remove the restriction on a report or background paper should be made to the relevant Strategic Director or Assistant Director whose name is shown on the front page of the report.

If that request is refused, there is a right of appeal to this meeting.

Please contact the officer shown below in advance of the meeting if you wish to appeal.

(Adrian Tumber - 01274 432435)

B. BUSINESS ITEMS

4. HONORARY FREEMEN OF THE CITY

The report of the City Solicitor (**Document “L”**) sets out the legal framework for admission to the Roll of Honorary Freemen of the City.

Recommended –

- (1) **That the Council admit Jonathan Marc Bairstow to the Roll of Honorary Freemen of the City in recognition of his distinguished career and close association with the City, pursuant to Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972.**
- (2) **That the Council admit Adil Usman Rashid to the Roll of Honorary Freemen of the City in recognition of his distinguished career and close association with the City, pursuant to Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972.**
- (3) **That, for the purposes of presenting an address to Jonny (Jonathan) Bairstow and Adil Rashid, a civic ceremony be held. The arrangements for this event, including the date and time, will be determined by the City Solicitor having first consulted the Lord Mayor.**

(Parveen Akhtar – 01274 433696)

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Report of the City Solicitor to the meeting of the full Council to be held on Tuesday 14 January 2020

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Subject:

HONORARY FREEMEN OF THE CITY

Summary statement:

The subject of this report is the legal framework for admission to the Roll of Honorary Freemen of the City

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1 SUMMARY

On July 14th 2019 the England Men's cricket squad scooped victory at the Cricket World Cup final. The final and dramatic match was watched by billions across the world. Huge numbers of cricket fans across the Bradford District were also glued to the media coverage, not least because of the involvement of two Bradfordians, Jonny Bairstow and Adil Rashid in the victory.

This report proposes that Jonny Bairstow and Adil Rashid be admitted to "The Roll of Honorary Freemen of the City". This honour would recognise their outstanding contribution on the field of cricket but also their work to inspire generations of sports men and women, and their connection to this City.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The 'Roll of Honorary Freemen of the City' was created in the late nineteenth century. The first name admitted to the roll was that of Sir Henry Mitchell, a former Lord Mayor, philanthropist and mill owner. Since that time other famous Bradfordians such as J.B. Priestley, Barbara Castle and David Hockney have been admitted to the roll.
- 2.2 The criteria for admission to the roll are that the person should have demonstrated distinguished and recent service, or made a significant beneficial and noteworthy contribution to the District or secured significant benefit to the District.
- 2.3 It is considered that Jonny Bairstow and Adil Rashid meet these criteria and should therefore be so honoured and admitted to the roll.
- 2.4 Jonny Bairstow – Jonathan Marc Bairstow was born in Bradford in 1989. He spent his early years in Bradford, first picking up a bat whilst toddling around Undercliffe Cricket Club where his father David Bairstow was a member. His family subsequently moved to York where he completed his education. But his ties with Bradford remain. In recent years he has supported the redevelopment of Park Avenue as a major cricket venue and acted as an ambassador for inward investment to Bradford and the Leeds City Region. On the field of cricket he has been part of the England line up since 2011, is an outstanding wicket keeper and the first England cricketer to score 3 consecutive one day international hundreds. He won the inaugural 'Young Wisden Schools Cricketer of the Year Award' in 2007.
- 2.5 Adil Rashid – Adil Usman Rashid was born in Bradford in 1988. Adil honed his skills playing in the Bradford Cricket League for Bradford and Bingley. He's been in the full England squad since 2008. In 2006 the ECB coach David Parsons considered him the most talented young leg spinner in the Country and in 2007 was described by Jason Gillespie "probably the best young cricketer in the Country". Since then Adil has become a seasoned all rounder playing at the highest level particularly known for his outstanding performance in one day internationals. Adil is an ambassador for the overseas Plastic Surgery Appeal, a Yorkshire based charity which carries out much of its work in the Punjab region of Pakistan. Here in

Bradford the Adil Rashid Cricket Academy provides coaching and opportunities for the next generation of talent.

3. LEGAL APPRAISAL

3.1 Section 249(5) of the Local Government Act 1972 entitles the Council to admit persons of distinction to the Roll of Honorary Freemen of the City.

3.2 The power is expressed in the following terms:

- (i) Subject as follows, a relevant authority may admit to be honorary freemen or honorary freewomen of the place or area for which it is the authority—
- (ii) persons of distinction, and
- (ii) persons who have, in the opinion of the authority, rendered eminent services to that place or area

3.3 Any person nominated for the award of Honorary Freeman/Freewoman should:

- (i) Not be an existing member of the Council or an existing elected representative;
- (ii) Have demonstrated distinguished and recent service on their own account; or
- (iii) Have through their service made a significant, beneficial and noteworthy contribution to the District or been instrumental in securing for the District a significant advantage from which it has benefited.
- (iv) There shall be no representative nomination for a class of persons or a group of more than one person. Nominations shall only be on the basis of the personal character and achievements listed above.

3.4 For the purposes of guidance only and not so as to fetter the Council in the exercise of its power to appoint a freeman/freewoman, (but not so as to require any detailed comparison of individual merit), the consideration of any new candidate for appointment as a freeman/freewoman shall include taking into account:

- (i) The individuals who were appointed as freeman/freewoman during any earlier mayoral term.
- (ii) The individuals who were appointed as freemen before this policy was adopted and who are listed in the Annex to this policy.

3.5 In order to confer this honour:

- (i) A meeting of the Council specially convened for this purpose must take place (an extraordinary meeting).
 - (ii) Notice of the object of the meeting must be given.
 - (iii) The resolution conferring the honour must be passed by not less than two thirds of the Members present and voting.
- 3.6 The Council is specifically empowered to make arrangements for the presentation of the accolade to a person upon whom the honour has been conferred.

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

All costs incurred will be met from within current budget provision.

5. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

5.1 EQUALITY & DIVERSITY

None.

5.2 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

None.

5.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

None.

5.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

None.

5.5 TRADE UNION

None.

6. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

None.

7. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 7.1 That the Council admit Jonathan Marc Bairstow to the Roll of Honorary Freemen of the City in recognition of his distinguished career and close association with the City, pursuant to Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972.

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8. APPENDICES

None.

9. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

- 9.1 Nomination of Jonny (Jonathan) Bairstow for Freeman of the City
- 9.2 Nomination of Adil Rashid for Freeman of the City

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10 December 2019

Kersten England
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Dear Kersten

Nomination for Freeman of the City – Jonny Bairstow

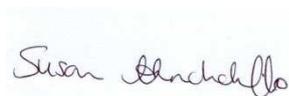
I am writing to nominate Yorkshire and England cricketer Jonny (Jonathan) Bairstow as an honorary freeman of Bradford District.

Bradford born Jonny has become a regular for England in all formats of the game and earlier this year became one of our national heroes as part of the England team that won the Cricket World Cup for the first time in a thrilling final that enthralled the country.

Jonny's achievements are significant. He has made 69 test appearances and played in 74 one day internationals and 30 T20 internationals. He is the only England wicket keeper to have twice claimed nine dismissals in a test match and has set records for the most dismissals by a wicket keeper in a calendar year and the most test runs scored by a wicket keeper in a calendar year. He is the first England cricketer to score three consecutive one day internationals.

Jonny has served his county and country with distinction and his success, following in the footsteps of his late father David – also a Bradfordian - is a matter of great pride to the people of Bradford District. Freedom of the city would be a fitting reflection of that pride and tribute to his achievements.

Yours sincerely



Susan Hinchcliffe
Leader of Council

cc Parveen Akhtar, City Solicitor

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10 December 2019

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Dear Kersten

Nomination for Freeman of the City - Adil Rashid

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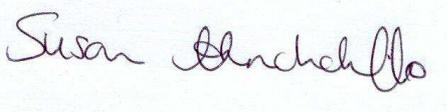
Adil is a homegrown Bradford talent who honed his skills playing in the Bradford Cricket League for Bradford & Bingley. Earlier this year he became one of our national heroes as part of England's world cup winning cricket team. It was the first time that England has ever won the trophy and Adil played a key role throughout the tournament and during a final which had the country enthralled.

Adil has been part of the England international set up for a decade now during which time he has won 19 test caps and has played in 99 one day internationals.

Adil has never forgotten his home city; he still lives here and is an outstanding role model for our young people, working to provide them with cricket coaching and opportunities through the Adil Rashid Cricket Academy.

Adil has and continues to make an outstanding contribution to Bradford and is a worthy recipient of its freedom.

Yours sincerely



Susan Hinchcliffe
Leader of Council

cc Parveen Akhtar, City Solicitor

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