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## Department of Corporate Resources

Members of Council

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Date: 15 May 2023

Dear Councillor,

### **EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL – TUESDAY, 23 MAY 2023**

You are requested to attend the Extraordinary Meeting of the Council to be held in the Council Chamber - City Hall, Bradford, on Tuesday, 23 May 2023.

This meeting is to commence immediately following the conclusion of the Annual Council Meeting.

The agenda for the meeting is set out overleaf.

Yours sincerely,

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Asif Ibrahim  
Director of Legal and Governance

**Notes:**

- A webcast of the meeting will be available to view live on the Council's website at <https://bradford.public-i.tv/core/portal/home> and later as a recording.
- 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.
- The Fire Bell and Evacuation Procedure requires people to leave the building in an orderly fashion by the nearest exit, should the fire alarm sound. No one will be allowed to stay or return until the building has been checked.

**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 must consider their interests, and act according to the following:*

**Type of Interest**

**You must:**

*Disclosable Pecuniary Interests*

*Disclose the interest; not participate in the discussion or vote; and leave the meeting unless you have a dispensation.*

*Other Registrable Interests (Directly Related)*  
**OR**  
*Non-Registrable Interests (Directly Related)*

*Disclose the interest; speak on the item only if the public are also allowed to speak but otherwise not participate in the discussion or vote; and leave the meeting unless you have a dispensation.*

*Other Registrable Interests (Affects)*  
**OR**  
*Non-Registrable Interests (Affects)*

*Disclose the interest; remain in the meeting, participate and vote unless the matter affects the financial interest or well-being*

*(a) to a greater extent than it affects the financial interests of a majority of inhabitants of the affected ward, and*

*(b) a reasonable member of the public knowing all the facts would believe that it would affect your view of the wider public interest; in which case speak on the item only if the public are also allowed to speak but otherwise do not participate in the discussion or vote; and leave the meeting unless you have a dispensation.*

- (2) Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to the Member concerned or their spouse/partner.*
- (3) 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.*
- (4) Officers must disclose interests in accordance with Council Standing Order 44.*

## **2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive any apologies for absence.

(Guy Close – 07811 503906)

## **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.

(Guy Close – 07811 503906)

## **B. BUSINESS ITEMS**

### **4. HONORARY FREEMEN OF THE CITY**

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The report of the Director of Legal and Governance recommends that the Council admit Harry Cherrington Brook to the Roll of Honorary Freemen of the City.

THIS AGENDA AND ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN PRODUCED, WHEREVER POSSIBLE, ON RECYCLED PAPER



## **Report of the Director of Legal and Governance to the Extraordinary Meeting of the Council to be held on Tuesday 23 May 2023**

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### **Subject:**

**HONORARY FREEMEN OF THE CITY**

### **Summary statement:**

**To consider admitting Harry Cherrington Brook to the Roll of Honorary Freemen of the City.**

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## **1. SUMMARY**

- 1.1 Harry Cherrington Brook is an English cricketer who plays international cricket for England and domestic cricket for the Yorkshire County Cricket Club. He made his international debut for England in January 2022. He was part of the England cricket team that won the 2022 T20 World Cup. Harry Brook has also been named as the European ambassador for Major League Baseball.
- 1.2 This report proposes that Harry Brook be admitted to the Roll of Honorary Freemen of the City. This honour would recognise his outstanding contribution on the field of cricket. Harry Brook is an inspiring role model for the District's young people. (Refer to Appendix A - Councillor Susan Hinchcliffe's nomination).

## **2 BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 The Roll of Honorary Freemen of the City was created in the late nineteenth century. The first person admitted to the roll was Sir Henry Mitchell, a former Lord Mayor, a philanthropist, and a mill owner. Over time, other notable Bradfordians, including J.B. Priestley, Barbara Castle and David Hockney, have been added to the roll. Most recently, in 2020, Jonathan Marc Bairstow and Adil Usman Rashid were also included to the roll.
- 2.2 The Council may admit persons of distinction and persons who have, in the opinion of the Council, rendered eminent services to the City and/or District. It is recommended 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 Harry Brook meets this criterion and should therefore be so honoured and admitted to the roll.
- 2.4 Born in Keighley on 22 February 1999, Harry Brook is an English cricketer. He represents the Yorkshire County Cricket Club in domestic cricket and plays for the English National Team in international cricket making his debut in January 2022. Harry Brook was part of the victorious England squad that won the 2022 T20 World Cup.
- 2.5 As a talented batsman, Harry Brook played for England's Under-19 squad during the 2018 World Cup and became only the second English player to make a century at that level. He ended the tournament as the highest run-scorer for England with 239 runs. Harry Brook's impressive form was already noted by Yorkshire who handed him a first-class debut during the 2016 season.
- 2.6 Harry Brook has earned several accolades, including the Professional Cricketers Association (PCA) Young Player of the Year for both 2021 and 2022, the Cricket Writer's Club Young Cricketer of the Year for 2021, and the International Cricket Council (ICC) World Player of the Month in December 2022 and February 2023. He also scored the first hundred of the 2023 Indian Premier League (IPL) season. Additionally, he has been named as the European ambassador for Major League Baseball

### **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:

a relevant authority may admit to be honorary freemen or honorary freewomen of the place or area for which it is the authority:

- (i) 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 not be an existing member of the Council.

3.4 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.

3.5 The Council may spend such reasonable sum as it thinks fit for the purpose of presenting to a person upon whom the honour has been conferred.

### **4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL**

All costs incurred will be met within the 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 Harry Cherrington Brook to the Roll of Honorary Freemen of the City in recognition of his distinguished career and close association with the City and District, pursuant to Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972.**

**7.2 That, for the purposes of presenting an address to Harry Cherrington Brook, a civic ceremony be held. The arrangements for this event, including the date and time, to be determined by the Director of Legal and Governance, in consultation with the Lord Mayor.**

**8. APPENDICES**

Appendix A - Nomination of Harry Cherrington Brook for Freeman of the City

**9. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

None.





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21 March 2023

Kersten England  
Chief Executive  
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Dear Kersten

### **Nomination for Freeman of the City – Harry Brook**

I am writing to nominate Yorkshire and England cricketer Harry Brook as an honorary freeman of Bradford District.

Keighley born and Burley bred Harry made his debut for Yorkshire while still at school and captained England's squad in the 2018 Under 19s World cup.

Harry has made an incredible impact on the senior international game in just a short space of time including playing an integral role in England's 2022 T 20 World Cup winning side. Since then he has gone on to score 809 runs in his first six test match appearances to date having batted ten times with a career average of 80.90 and with strike rate of almost 100

Harry has achieved much in a short space of time and promises to earn a place among Yorkshire and England's greatest cricketers. He is a tremendous role model for our young people and will be probably be the youngest person to be honoured as a freeman of the District which is fitting in what is now the UK's youngest city.

Yours sincerely

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Susan Hinchcliffe  
Leader of Council

cc Asif Ibrahim - Director of Legal and Governance (Monitoring Officer)

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