

**Minutes of: COUNCIL**

**Date of Meeting:** 31 January 2023

**Present:** The Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor , in the Chair)  
Councillors A Arif, S Arif, N Bayley, R Bernstein, C Birchmore, A Booth, N Boroda, R Brown, C Cummins, L Dean, S Donnelly, D Duncalfe, U Farooq, I Gartside, R Gold, D Green, J Grimshaw, S Haroon, J Harris, M Hayes, K Hussain, J Lancaster, G Marsden, L McBriar, C Morris, E Moss, E O'Brien, T Pilkington, A Quinn, D Quinn, T Rafiq, I Rizvi, J Rydeheard, L Smith, M Smith, T Tariq, S Walmsley, M Whitby and Y Wright

**Apologies for Absence** D Berry, E FitzGerald, N Frith, N Jones, J Mason, K Peel, C Tegolo, S Thorpe, D Vernon and M Walsh

**Public Attendance:** 60 members of the public attended the meeting.

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## **C. 1 HONORARY FREEDOM OF THE BOROUGH AWARDS**

It was moved by Councillor T Tariq and seconded by Councillor S Arif and:-

**RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY**

That the Council, in exercise of its powers under Section 249(5) of the Local Government Act 1972, admit Mr Akram Baig, to the Honorary Freedom of the Metropolitan Borough in recognition of his long and outstanding contribution to community work which he has rendered on the town of Bury for over 25 years and, in recognition of his valuable service over the years in tackling inequalities and promoting healthy lifestyles in his community through his devoted work with the Jinnah Day Care Centre, Bury Council for Racial Equality and as founder of the Bury Defence Academy.

**The worshipful the Mayor asked Mr Baig to sign the Freeman's Declaration and presented him with an illuminated Scroll and Medallion.**

It was moved by Councillor Lancaster and seconded by Councillor O'Brien and:-

**RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY**

That the Council, in exercise of its powers under Section 249(5) of the Local Government Act 1972, admit Mrs Dorothy Gunther, to the Honorary Freedom of the Metropolitan Borough In recognition of the eminent, valuable and devoted services which she has rendered to the Bury Metropolitan Borough as a member of the Council for Twenty Seven years between 1992 and 2021 and in recognition of the service she has provided the residents of Ramsbottom Ward and North Manor Ward with distinction and dedication including holding office of Mayor of the Borough from May 2017 to May 2018. In recognition also of her significant contribution regionally and nationally.

**The worshipful the Mayor asked Mrs Gunther to sign the Freeman's Declaration and presented her with an illuminated Scroll and Medallion.**

It was moved by Councillor Walmsley and seconded by Councillor McBriar and:-

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY

That the Council, in exercise of its powers under Section 249(5) of the Local Government Act 1972, admit Mr Trevor Holt, to the Honorary Freedom of the Metropolitan Borough In recognition of the eminent, valuable and devoted services which he has rendered to the Bury Metropolitan Borough as a member of the Council for thirty-nine years between 1983 and 2022 and in recognition of the service he has provided the residents of Bury East Ward with distinction and dedication including holding office of Mayor of the Borough from May 1996 to May 1997 and May 2019 to May 2020. In recognition also of his significant contribution regionally and nationally

**The worshipful the Mayor asked Mr Holt to sign the Freeman's Declaration and presented him with an illuminated Scroll and Medallion**

It was moved by Councillor Bernstein and seconded by Councillor Moss and:-

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY

That the Council, in exercise of its powers under Section 249(5) of the Local Government Act 1972, admit Mr Itzik Alterman, to the Honorary Freedom of the Metropolitan Borough In recognition of the long and outstanding service he has rendered on the town of Bury for over 35 years through his involvement with the 45 Aid Society and general Holocaust remembrance. In further recognition of his specific valuable service over the last 5 years in helping to ensure through numerous speaking and educational events at schools, sports clubs and communal events, including Holocaust Memorial Day, that historical links and lessons from the Holocaust will never be forgotten.

**The worshipful the Mayor asked Mr Alterman to sign the Freeman's Declaration and presented him with an illuminated Scroll and Medallion**

**THE WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR**

**(Notes: The meeting started at 6.30pm and ended at 8.20pm**