

Report to:	Policy and Organisation Board
Date of meeting:	18 January 2023
Title:	Appointment of Honorary Freeman
Author:	Chief Executive
Status:	For Recommendation to Full Council

Purpose

To consider a request that former Councillor Mark William Paul Hook be appointed an Honorary Freeman.

Recommendation

The Board considers recommending to Council that former Councillor Mark William Paul Hook be appointed an Honorary Freeman.

1.0 Report

- 1.1 Councillor Burgess has requested that the Council consider appointing former Councillor Mark Hook as an Honorary Freeman.
- 1.2 The Council has the power to make such appointments on persons who have in the opinion of the Council rendered eminent services to the Council as past members of the Council. The appointment is made at an extraordinary Council meeting called for the purpose of considering the appointment.
- 1.3 Former Councillor Mark Hook was a Conservative Councillor for the Leesland Ward 1983-1991, Anglesey Ward 1998-2008, Alverstoke Ward 2008-2022.
- 1.4 He has served on many of the major Committees and Boards of the Council and was Mayor in 2021-2022. He also was the Leader of the Council from December 2004-December 2006 and from 2009-2021.

2.0 Risk Assessment

None for the purposes of this Report.

3.0 Financial Implications

There are no direct Financial Implications as the usual illuminated scroll, can be dealt with in the Council's Reprographics Section. An Honorary Freeman robe will need to be identified but this should have a very modest financial cost.

Financial implications:	Contained in the Report.
Legal implications:	Contained in the Report.
Service Improvement Plan implications:	None
Corporate Plan	N/A
Risk Assessment	See Section 2
Background papers:	Nil
Appendices/Enclosures:	None
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