

Report of The Head of Organisational Development

RETIREMENT AWARD FOR PETER HOWARD BOULDEN

1 Purpose of Report

To present Mr Boulden with his retirement award.

2 Executive Summary

Peter Boulden joined the former District Council on the 6th April 1964 and after over 46 years service has left the Council and is therefore eligible for a retirement award.

3 Proposed Action:

Council is invited to note the retirement award of Mr Boulden.

4 Discussion

Peter joined as a Clerk in the Engineers and Surveyors Dept.

Peter has always been one to look for additional responsibilities and took on the role of storekeeper and depot clerk for Cannon Street for a period and after a number of promotions in the early 1970s, he took on the role of Administrative Assistant.

In February 1989, Peter became eligible for his 25 year long service award – an achievement that not many realise today and one he managed to surpass 15 years later!

Peter became Market Manager and Administrator in 1999 and Service Support Co-ordinator in 2000 then in April 2004, Peter achieved a long service award for 40 years service to the authority.

In 2006 he was appointed as Team Leader within the newly formed Business Support Unit together with the addition of the title 'Waendel Walk Co-ordinator'.

Peter's first involvement with the Waendel was in 1996 – under Peter Morrall – when he assisted in publicising the Waendel Walk Weekend. By 1999 Peter was arranging sponsorship and ably assisting in the organisation of the weekend, a role that he assumed full responsibility for a couple of years later as Waendel Walk Co-ordinator.

Peter was also taking a more active role within the International Marching League Walking Association acting as sometime Wellingborough delegate at the Annual

General Meetings and as an IML walk assessor for other international walks. He was elected to the Marketing and Publicity Committee in 2006, received a personal award from the president Ron Hendriks in 2008 for services to the IML and more recently, was elected to serve on the Board as Assistant Secretary General in 2009.

Occasional musician, connoisseur of fine ales, intrepid traveller - Peter's outside interests also include being a long time supporter of the Wellingborough Bowls Club giving rise to the occasional guest appearance in the Mayor's Bowling team.

Peter retired from the Council in May 2010 as the longest serving member of staff with over 46 years of service to his credit.

4.2 Peter will be attending the Council meeting.

4.3 His choice of award is a laptop computer.

5 Legal Powers

5.1 None.

6 Financial and Value For Money Implications

Retirement award of £433.00.

7 Further Implications

None

8 Author and Contact Officer

Lorraine Coleman, Human Resources Manager.

9 Consultees

Joe Hubbard, Deputy Chief Executive.

Report of The Head of Organisational Development

RETIREMENT AWARD FOR GODFREY VAUGHAN BIGLEY

1 Purpose of Report

To present Mr Bigley with his retirement award.

2 Executive Summary

Godfrey Bigley joined the Borough Council on the 2 April 1975 and after 35 years service has left the Council and is therefore eligible for a retirement award.

3 Proposed Action:

Council is invited to note the retirement award of Mr Bigley.

4 Discussion

Godfrey was born in Irthlingborough but moved to Burton Latimer as a young child and has lived in the same house ever since.

Godfrey's career with Wellingborough Council started on 1st April 1975 when he was employed as a Clerical Assistant in the Rates office.

In May 1979 he was promoted to a Technical Assistant in the Finance department, his next appointment was as an Accountancy Assistant in January 1981. At the end of the year in December he moved to the Audit department as an Audit and Technical Assistant dealing with auditing many of the Council's financial activities and the reconciliation of the Council's bank accounts. In 1984 he was promoted to Senior Audit and Technical Assistant.

When the Finance department was reorganised he became the Senior Accountancy Assistant (Treasury Management & Insurance) in 1989 where he was responsible for the Council's investments, the Banking Tender, Insurance. He was also the Health & Safety Co-ordinator from 1 January 2000.

Godfrey retired on 31 July 2009 but continued to work part-time until 31 May 2010.

Throughout his career at Wellingborough Council Godfrey was an active member of the Union and was on the Executive Committee for several years including a stint as Treasurer.

Away from work, Godfrey has always had a keen interest in the RNLI, music, particularly

brass bands, and is an avid fan of Lesley Garrett. He also enjoys photography, travelling to London for state ceremonies and the coast every bank holiday week-end.

4.2 Godfrey will not be attending the Council meeting.

4.3 His choice of award is John Lewis Vouchers.

5 Legal Powers

5.1 None.

6 Financial and Value For Money Implications

Retirement award of £433.00.

7 Further Implications

None

8 Author and Contact Officer

Lorraine Coleman, Human Resources Manager.

9 Consultees

Michael Hudson, Head of Accountancy.

Report of the Chief Executive

NOTABLE ACTIVITIES

1 Purpose of Report.

This report is presented as a monthly update on notable activities that have taken place or are planned and relate to the Council's PRIDE objectives.

2 Executive Summary

2.1 WELLINGBOROUGH CIVIC SERVICE – 23rd May 2010

The Mayor's Civic Service was held on Sunday 23rd May 2010 at All Saints Church, Midland Road, Wellingborough. The Service was attended by many Councillors, family and friends of the Mayor and Consort, local dignitaries from neighbouring authorities together with representatives from local organisations.

2.2 WELLINGBOROUGH PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL CONFERENCE – 7th June 2010

This event, attended by 65 participants representing partner agencies, the voluntary sector and members of the public, celebrated the achievements of the Wellingborough Partnership during the last year. The main purpose of the meeting was to start the process of the re-write of the new Sustainable Community Strategy for 2011-2014. Delegates thoroughly considered all the options put to them, their work was captured and will be used when the re-write is done during June, July and August.

2.3 ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR WORKSHOP - 10th June 2010

With support from GOEM the Community Safety Partnership hosted a tenants and residents anti-social behaviour workshop on the 10th June. The event was very successful and 6 local people from the Kiln and Minerva Way area attended. Three other people have expressed an interest in becoming involved in the future. Local people and partners are working together to produce an action plan to address some of the issues raised at the workshop. Funding of £10,000 has been provided by GOEM to support delivery of the action plan.

2.4 WELLINGBOROUGH HERITAGE INITIATIVE

£1.4m has been secured for the Wellingborough Heritage Initiative which will provide the catalyst for further regeneration and will concentrate on repairing the historical townscape and buildings, such as the Grade II* listed Golden Hind Hotel, a 1645 coaching inn and the former club house of the Royal Antediluvian Order of the Buffaloes (RAOB).

2.5 TWINNING VISIT TO WITTLICH – 11th -13th June 2010.

The Worshipful The Mayor, Councillor Lora Lawman accompanied by her Consort, Councillor Graham Lawman, led a delegation of fellow Councillors and the Deputy Chief Executive on a visit to our twin town of Wittlich, Germany over the weekend of 11th-13th June 2010. The twinning weekend included celebrations for Wittlich's Old Town Festival and was attended by fellow twin towns from Brunoy, Boxtel and Zossen. A number of interesting visits were included within the weekend itinerary giving the opportunity for the delegation to view Wittlich's art and heritage and local business interests. Discussions with Councillors from our twin town also provided the platform for pursuing common interests and developing the relationship between the towns.

2.6 OPENING OF ARTHUR NUTT COURT FINEDON - 16TH June 2010

On 16th June the Mayor officially opened Arthur Nutt Court on the former Tower Boot site, Wellingborough Rd, Finedon.

A partnership of the Borough Council, Spire Homes and the developer Westleigh has seen the transformation of the site from a disused and boarded up factory into a new housing development of 31 affordable rented and shared ownership homes. Even though it is not a listed building, planners insisted that the old factory be retained and particular attention has been given to maintaining the fabric of the old factory building. To assist with this the council paid for the extra costs involved in providing specialist windows and rainwater goods to replicate what was originally there along with the cost of providing timber windows on the new properties so that they are in keeping with the adjacent conservation area. The scheme has cost over £4m, made up of £1.72m Homes and Communities Agency Grant, £36,000 BCW contribution and over £2.3m Spire Homes investment.

2.7 EARLS BARTON BY-ELECTION -17th June 2010

The Earls Barton by-election took place on Thursday 17th June 2010 and Andrew Atkinson was elected as Borough Councillor for the Ward.

There was a 32% turnout and the results are shown below:
ATKINSON, Andrew - The Conservative Party Candidate - 639 (Elected)
HORNETT, Jonathan Terence - Green Party - 38
JONES, Daniel Joseph - Liberal Democrat - 229
WRIGHT, Peter Brian - The Labour Party Candidate - 425

2.8 ARMED FORCES DAY - FLY THE FLAG CAMPAIGN – 21st June 2010

The Mayor, Councillor Lora Lawman, staged a public flag raising ceremony at the Council Offices, Swanspool on Monday 21st June 2010 to show her support for the men and women of our Armed Forces. The event was attended by local uniformed cadets from the ACF and ATC, members of the public, Councillors,

employees of the Borough Council and children from a local school.

Councillor Lawman said *"we wanted the Armed Forces to know how incredibly proud we all are of them."*

2.9 CARNIVAL AND PARTY WEEKEND – 3rd and 4th July 2010

Another successful party weekend for Wellingborough saw the Carnival Parade on Saturday with many diverse organisations taking part in the theme of World in Colour. There were many colourful costumes and floats on display in the glorious summer sunshine and the people of the Borough turned out en masse to celebrate their carnival.

On the Sunday Croyland Park was again packed with revellers for the opening by the Mayor of this year's Party in the Park. Those present were entertained by local bands and others from further afield, including tributes to Take That, Lady Gaga and Michael Jackson. There was also a Council marquee staffed by Council Officers and Voluntary Organisations, carrying out consultation work and distributing information and encouraging the public to find out more about our services.

3. Proposed Action:

Council is invited to note the report on notable activities.

4. Author and Contact Officer

Carol Mundy, Democratic Services Officer.

5. Consultees

The Mayor, Leader of the Council, Chief Executive, Deputy Chief Executive, Directors, Heads of Service.

Report of The Chief Executive

APPROVAL OF THE UPDATED CALENDAR OF MEETINGS FOR 2010-11.

1 Purpose of Report

To approve the updated Calendar of Meetings for 2010-11.

2 Executive Summary

Following the Council Meeting of 25th May 2010 and the establishment of the Audit Committee and Performance and Scrutiny Committee the Calendar of Meetings previously approved by Annual Council has been amended to accommodate these Committees.

3 Appendices

Updated Calendar from August 2010 to May 2011.

4 Proposed Action:

4.1 TO RESOLVE that the Calendar of Meetings from August 2010 to May 2011 be approved.

5 Background

5.1 Annual Council on 19th May 2009 approved the Calendar of Meetings for 2010-11, this was subsequently varied and approved by Leadership Team in September 2009 and noted at the Annual Council meeting on 18th May 2010.

6 Discussion

6.1 Following the establishment of an Audit Committee and the Performance and Scrutiny Committee the Calendar has been updated to show when the meetings for these Committees will be held. There are no changes to other meetings listed.

7 Legal Powers

7.1 Local Government Act 1972, Local Government Act 2000.

8 Financial and Value For Money Implications

8.1 There are no financial or value for money implications.

9 Risk Analysis

Nature of risk	Consequences if realised	Likelihood of occurrence	Control measures
Insufficient Members on committee may lead to there not being a quorum.	Meeting would not take place	Low	Ensures full membership of committees.

10 Implications for Resources

10.1 There are no implications.

11 Implications for Stronger and Safer Communities

11.1 There are no implications.

12 Implications for Equalities

12.1 There are no implications.

13 Author and Contact Officer

Carol Mundy, Democratic Services Officer.

14 Consultees

Leader of the Council, Interim Chief Executive, Democratic Services Manager.

15 Background Papers

None.

CALENDAR OF COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS FROM AUGUST 2010 TO MAY 2011

2010				FEBRUARY		
AUGUST				Mon	7	Community
Wed	11	Planning		Tues	8	Development
SEPTEMBER				Wed	9	Resources
Mon	6	Community		Mon	14	Partnerships Review
Tues	7	Development		Tues	15	Performance & Scrutiny
Wed	8	Resources		Wed	16	Planning
Wed	15	Planning		MARCH		
Monday	27	Partnerships Review		Tues	1	COUNCIL
Tues	28	Audit		Wed	16	Planning
OCTOBER				Mon	21	Community
Tues	5	COUNCIL		Tues	22	Development
Mon	11	Community		Wed	23	Resources
Tues	12	Development		Mon	28	Partnerships Review
Wed	13	Resources		Tues	29	Audit
Mon	18	Partnerships Review		APRIL		
Tues	19	Performance & Scrutiny		Tues	5	COUNCIL
Wed	20	Planning		Wed	13	Planning
NOVEMBER				MAY		
Tues	9	COUNCIL		Thurs	5	Borough Council Elections
Wed	17	Planning		Tues	24	ANNUAL COUNCIL
Mon	22	Community				
Tues	23	Development				
Wed	24	Resources				
Mon	29	Partnerships Review				
Tues	30	Performance & Scrutiny				
DECEMBER						
Mon	13	Community				
Tues	14	COUNCIL				
Wed	15	Planning				
2011						
JANUARY						
Tues	4	Development				
Wed	5	Resources				
Mon	10	Partnerships Review				
Tues	11	Performance & Scrutiny				
Wed	12	Planning				
Tues	25	COUNCIL				

The Calendar is based on 8 cycles per annum with the exception of Planning Committee which is held every month.

Report of The Monitoring Officer

REVISED ALLOCATION OF COMMITTEE SEATS AND APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEE.

1 Purpose of Report

To advise Council of the revised allocation of Committee seats following the recent by-election and to appoint Members to vacant seats.

2 Executive Summary

Following the Earls Barton by-election on 17th June 2010, Conservative Councillor Andrew Atkinson was elected as Ward Councillor for Earls Barton.

3 Appendices

Allocation of Committee Seats.

4 Proposed Action:

RESOLVED that:

- (i) Councillor Atkinson be appointed to Community Committee, Performance and Scrutiny Committee and Licensing Committee;**
- (ii) Councillor L Lawman be taken off Community Committee and be appointed to Development Committee;**
- (iii) the nominations for the vacancies on the Planning Committee and Performance and Scrutiny Committee be made at the meeting.**

5 Background

5.1 Following the Earls Barton by-election the allocation of committee seats had been revised to reflect the changes in political balance. The refreshed allocation of committee seats is appended to the report.

6 Discussion

6.1 Councillor Atkinson has indicated that he would be willing to be nominated to serve on Community Committee, Performance and Scrutiny Committee and Licensing Committee.

6.2 Councillor L Lawman has indicated that she no longer wishes to serve on Community Committee but would be willing to be nominated to serve on Development Committee.

6.3 Nominations are required to fill the vacant seats on Planning Committee and Performance and Scrutiny Committee.

7 Legal Powers

7.1 Local Government Act 1972, Local Government Act 2000.

8 Financial and Value For Money Implications

8.1 There are no financial or value for money implications.

9 Risk Analysis

Nature of risk	Consequences if realised	Likelihood of occurrence	Control measures
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10 Implications for Resources

10.1 There are no implications.

11 Implications for Stronger and Safer Communities

11.1 There are no implications.

12 Implications for Equalities

12.1 There are no implications.

13 Author and Contact Officer

Carol Mundy, Democratic Services Officer.

14 Consultees

Leader of the Council, Leader of the Opposition, Interim Chief Executive, Monitoring Officer and Democratic Services Manager.

15 Background Papers

None.

Appendix 1

COUNCIL MEETING

20th July 2010

ALLOCATION OF COMMITTEE SEATS 18th June 2010

Committee	Conservative	Labour/Independent	Total
Membership of Council	31	5	36
(nominal % of seats)	(86.11%)	(13.89%)	100%
(nominal number of seats)	76.64	12.36	89
Resources	11	2	13
Community	10	2	12
Development	11	1	12
Partnership Review	7	2	9
Planning	10	1	11
Licensing	12	1	13
Audit	6	1	7
Performance & Scrutiny	10	2	12
Total Seats	77	12	89
(actual % of seats)	(86.52%)	(13.48%)	100%

