

## **Motions Submitted to Council**

**In accordance with Chapter 2, Part 2 (Rule 15) of the Council's Constitution**

### **Motion 2**

#### **Submitted by Councillor Halden**

The chamber wishes to confer Freedom of the Borough on Reverend Canon Darren Barlow upon his retirement as rural dean.

#### **Monitoring Officer Comments:**

This motion meets the requirements of Rule 15.2, Chapter 2, Part 2 of the Constitution which states that "a notice of motion must relate to a matter which affects the authority or the authority's area and must relate to a matter in respect of which the authority has a relevant function."

Pursuant to s.249 (5) 'honorary freemen' or 'honorary freewomen' status can be granted to:

- persons "of distinction"
- persons who have "rendered eminent services to that place or area"

However, this must be done "by resolution of the Council at a meeting of the relevant authority which is specially convened for the purpose and where notice of the object of the meeting has been given; and by not less than two-thirds of the members of the relevant authority (or, in the case of charter trustees, of the trustees) who vote on it." (s.8a and b). This requires a separate meeting of the Council if the motion is passed.

#### **Section 151 Officer Comments:**

There are no financial implications arising from this motion.

#### **Is the above motion within the remit of Council to approve?**

Yes