

RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL FREEDOM OF THE BOROUGH WORKING GROUP 10th APRIL 2019

MAYOR'S GOOD CITIZEN AWARDS 2019

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, DEMOCRATIC SERVICES & COMMUNICATION.

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PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To enable the Committee to consider the nominations received for the Mayor's Good Citizen Award and to choose the successful candidates.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that Members:

- 2.1 Note and consider the nominations received
- 2.2 Select the successful candidates from the nominations received.

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 During the 2015/16 Municipal Year the then Mayor, County Borough Councillor Barry Stephens initiated the Mayor's Good Citizen Awards to recognise the achievements and contributions made by local residents to their communities. As agreed at Council, the selection of the recipients for the Good Citizen awards would fall under the remit of the Freedom of the Borough Working Group.

4. MAYOR'S GOOD CITIZEN AWARDS

- 4.1 The Mayor's Good Citizen Awards 2019 campaign was launched during February. Members of the public were asked to nominate someone who they felt had gone above and beyond to support the people around them and their wider community, or recognise a resident of the County Borough for their personal achievements.
- 4.2 The closing date for nominations was the 31st March, 2019 and 45 nominations were received.

- 4.3 The 6 categories available for nominations were as follows:
 - Services to the Community
 - Personal Achievement
 - Artistic Achievement
 - Sporting Achievement
 - Services to Charity
 - Supporting Others
- 4.4 The nominations received are outlined in Appendix 1 of the report (**To allow** Officers sufficient time to collate all of the information following the close of nomination deadline the appendix is to follow). Members are asked to consider the nominations received and choose one successful candidate from each of the categories listed.

5. **CONCLUSION**

5.1 The Mayor's Good Citizen awards will recognise and honour County Borough residents who may not receive the recognition they deserve for their community or charity efforts or those who deserve celebrating for their achievements.