



Leicester
City Council

Governance Services
City Hall
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7 May 2026

Sir or Madam

I hereby summon you to a SPECIAL meeting of the LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL to be held at the Town Hall, on THURSDAY, 14 MAY 2026 at FIVE O'CLOCK in the afternoon, for the business hereunder mentioned.

Monitoring Officer

AGENDA

AUDIO STREAM OF MEETING

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Further information

If you have any queries about any of the above or the business to be discussed, please contact:

Sharif Chowdhury, Senior Governance Officer. email governance@leicester.gov.uk or call in at City Hall.

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Item 2

APPOINTMENT OF HONORARY ALDERMAN

Decision to be taken by: Full Council

Date of meeting: Thursday 14th May 2026

Lead director/officer: City Barrister & Head of Standards

Useful information

- Ward(s) affected: N/A
- Report author: Kalvaran Sandhu
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- Report version number: 0.1

1. Summary

Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 allows the City Council to “**confer the title of Honorary Alderman on persons who have, in the opinion of the Council, rendered eminent services to the Council as past Members of that Council but who are not then Councillors of the Council.**” Such a decision must be made by a resolution passed by not less than two thirds of the Members voting thereon at a special meeting of the Council

2. Recommended actions/decision

2.1 In accordance with the provisions of Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, and by virtue of the Council’s policy agreed on 19th February 2019, that the following former Councillors be appointed as an Honorary Alderman of the Leicester City Council:

- Kiritkumar Doshi
- Lucy Chaplin

3. Detailed report

3.1 An Honorary Alderman may attend and take part in such civic ceremonies as the Council may from time to time decide, but does not, as such, have the right to attend meetings of the Council or to receive any allowance or other payment under the Members Allowances Scheme

3.2 The Council has considered the qualifying criteria in 2006, 2011, 2013 and 2020 the combined effect of which leads to the following qualifying criteria:

- The title of Honorary Alderman should be awarded to a Councillor at the end of their front-line political career (i.e., they should not seek public office after being awarded the title if they should do so they should forgo the title).
- It should be awarded after significant service (for the avoidance of doubt this should be “*a period of more than one full term as a Councillor*”)
- the Councillor should not have previously held the position of Lord Mayor as former holders of this office are already recognised by the Council and the title of Honorary

Alderman is to recognise those who have contributed but not have attained the title of Lord Mayor

- Nominations may be considered up to once per year and nominations may be received from Councillors who are not part of a political group.

3.3 All Groups were invited, by e-mail on 7th April 2026, to submit any nominations for appointment by 24th April 2026 and the two suggested nominees were received and meet the qualifying criteria.

4. Financial, legal, equalities, climate emergency and other implications

4.1 Financial implications

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

Stuart McAvoy - Head of Finance
6 May 2026

4.2 Legal implications

There are no direct legal implications arising from this report.

Kamal Adatia, City Barrister and Head of Standards
29 April 2026

4.3 Equalities implications

There are no direct equalities implications arising from this report.

Sukhi Biring, Equalities Officer
5 May 2026

4.4 Climate Emergency implications

There are no direct implications arising from this report.

Phil Ball, Sustainability Officer
30 April 2026

4.5 Other implications (You will need to have considered other implications in preparing this report. Please indicate which ones apply?)

5. Background information and other papers: None

6. Summary of appendices: None