

REPORT OF THE
Chief Executive
PART I

1. HONORARY ALDERMAN

- 1.1 By virtue of Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 (“the 1972 Act”) the title of Honorary Alderman can be conferred by a resolution passed by not less than two thirds of the Members present and voting at a meeting of the Council especially convened for that purpose, on persons who have, in the opinion of the Council, rendered eminent services to the Council as past Members of the County Council. The title of Honorary Alderman cannot be conferred on an existing Member of the Council.
- 1.2 At the meeting of the County Council on 13 February 2020 the Leader of the Council, proposed conferring the title of Honorary Alderman on former County Councillor Christopher Connor for the title to be conveyed at a future meeting of the Council.

2. Christopher Connor

Christopher (Criss) Connor was first elected as a County Councillor for Basingstoke North West representing the Labour Party in 1985 and served until 1989. He returned as a County Councillor for Basingstoke Central from 2013 until 2017.

In his first term of office Criss sat on the Education Committee, and its associated Sub-Committees for Education Buildings, Further Education, Schools and the North East and North West Hampshire Area Building Panel. From 1985 to 1986 he was a member of the Public Protection Committee.

In between his terms Criss served as a Co-opted Member from Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council on the Education Committee, which became the Children and Young People’s Policy Review Committee, from 1993 to 2008.

From 2013 to 2017 Criss was the Leader of the Labour Group on the County Council. During this time Criss was a member of the Hampshire Pension Fund Panel and Board and was also the Labour spokesperson on the Policy and Resources and the Children and Young People Select Committees, and the Regulatory Committee.

As part of the Electoral Review Members Working Group, Criss contributed to the work of the Further Electoral Review of the County Council carried out by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England from May 2015 to December 2016.

Criss represented the County Council on Basingstoke Voluntary Services outside body and for many years has given his support to the work of the Hampshire Music Service.

RECOMMENDATION

That the County Council confer the title of Honorary Alderman on former County Councillor Christopher Connor.