BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

PUBLIC REPORT

Report to:	COUNCIL BUSINESS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
Report of:	CITY SOLICITOR
Date of Decision:	9 MAY 2016
SUBJECT:	APPOINTMENT TO THE ROLL OF HONORARY
	ALDERMEN
Wards affected:	All

1. Purpose of report:

- 1.1 To propose the appointment of former Councillors Vivienne Margaret Barton and Anita Alison Ward to the Roll of Honorary Aldermen.
- 1.2 To recommend that this be considered at a special meeting of the Council to be held at 1555 hours on Tuesday 24 May 2016.

2. Decision(s) recommended:

2.1 That the City Council be recommended to admit former Councillors Vivienne Margaret Barton and Anita Alison Ward to the Roll of Honorary Aldermen at a special meeting of the Council to be held at 1555 hours on Tuesday 24 May 2016.

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Chief Officer(s):	
Dated:	

List of Background Documents used to compile this Report:			

3. Relevant background/chronology of key events:

- 3.1 Section 249 (i) of the Local Government Act 1972 allows a Council to confer the title of Honorary Alderman on former Councillors who have, in the opinion of the Council, rendered eminent services to the Council as past members of that Council. This requires a resolution passed by not less than two thirds of the members voting on it at a meeting of the Council specially convened for the purpose.
- 3.2 The City Council has instituted a Roll of Honorary Aldermen to which are admitted former Aldermen or Councillors of the City, the former City of Birmingham or the former borough of Sutton Coldfield who have
 - a) rendered a minimum of 15 years service as a member of any of these Councils or
 - b) served for at least 12 years as a member of any of these Councils and given particularly notable service.

Broken service is aggregated.

3.3 The following members of the Council did not seek re-election at the Local Government elections on 5 May 2016 and are eligible for consideration for admission to the Roll of Honorary Aldermen of the Council.

Vivienne Margaret Barton – Served on the City Council May 1987 to May 1995 and May 1998 to May 2016, a total of 26 years.

Anita Alison Ward – Served on the City Council from January 1996 to May 2016 a total of 20 years and 4 months She was Lord Mayor for the Municipal Year 2011-2012, Deputy Lord Mayor for the Municipal Year 2012-2013 and Chairman of the Education and Vulnerable Children Overview and Scrutiny Committee from 2012 to 2015.

3.4 To admit Honorary Aldermen, it is necessary to summon a special meeting of the Council to pass the appropriate resolution. The Lord Mayor will be requested to call such a meeting at 1555 hours on Tuesday 24 May 2016 (immediately before the Annual Meeting of the Council).