



**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING – 13 October 2021**

**CONFERRING FREEDOM OF THE BOROUGH**

**1. Preliminary**

At the commencement of the meeting, the Mayor and Deputy Mayor will assume their usual seats wearing their Chains of office. The proposed Freeman Mr Joe Nelson will assume the designated seat allocated at the rear of the Chamber.

**2. Prayers and Apologies - Items 1 and 2**

The Mayor's Chaplain will say prayers following which the Mayor will receive any apologies for absence.

**3. Declarations of Interests**

**4. Procedure – Freedom of the Borough - Item 4**

- The Leader of the Council will move the recommendation at 2.1 set out in the report: "That pursuant to its powers under Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council grant the honour of the Freedom of the Borough upon Mr Joe Nelson, Chairman of Skelmersdale Football League, in recognition of the eminent services he has rendered to the community and the Borough of West Lancashire."
- The Motion will be seconded.
- The Leader will then give a short speech explaining why he has moved the motion.
- This will be followed by a speech from the seconder, and other Councillors as appropriate.

#### **4. The Vote**

The Mayor will then put the motion to the vote by a show of hands and provided that there is not less than 2/3rds of the Members present voting for the motion the Mayor will declare the motion to be carried.

#### **5. Presentation**

5.1 The Mayor will invite Mr Nelson to join him on the dais. The Mayor's Attendant will escort Mr Nelson to the dais. The Mayor will then, on behalf of the Council, present the Honorary Freedom of the Borough Scroll. A photograph of the presentation will be taken.

5.2 The Freeman will assume the position next to the Mayor and will then respond.

#### **6.0 Close**

The Mayor will close the Special Council meeting.