

PROCEEDINGS

A Special Meeting of the Lancaster City Council was held in the Town Hall, Morecambe, at 6.00 p.m. on Wednesday, 17 December 2025, when the following Members were present:-

Margaret Pattison (Mayor)	John Hanson (Deputy Mayor)
Suhir Abuhajar	Joanne Ainscough
Catherine Armistead	Mandy Bannon
Martin Bottoms	Louise Belcher
Gerry Blaikie	Phil Bradley
Dave Brookes	Keith Budden
Roger Cleet	Ruth Colbridge
Wilson Colley	Brett Cooper
Claire Cozler	Maria Deery
Roger Dennison	Gina Dowding
Martin Gawith	Alan Greenwell
Tim Hamilton-Cox	Chris Hanna
Prof Chris Harris	Paul Hart
Colin Hartley	Ross Hunter
Caroline Jackson	Peter Jackson
Kate Knight	Jack Lenox
John Livermore	Sally Maddocks
Abi Mills	Hamish Mills
Paul Newton	Andrew Otway
Jean Parr	Sue Penney
Joyce Pritchard	Sarah Punshon
Robert Redfern	Sam Riches
James Sommerville	Jackson Stubbs
Paul Stubbins	Sandra Thornberry
Sue Tyldesley	Paul Tynan
David Whitaker	John Wild
Nick Wilkinson	Jason Wood

77 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Matt Black, Phil Black, Tom Fish, Andrew Gardiner, Sally Maddocks, Izzy Metcalf-Riener and Catherine Potter.

78 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

79 AWARD OF HONORARY FREEDOM OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER TO MR RICHARD BROCK

The Chief Officer, Governance submitted a report setting out a proposal to make Mr Richard Brock an Honorary Freeman. The report set out details of Mr Brock's service in World War II and his role as a valued member of the Bay Veterans. Members were asked to consider this in the light of the definition that a person being considered for the status of Honorary Freeman should be a person of distinction who has, in the opinion of the Council, rendered eminent services to the City.

The recommendations set out in the report were moved by Councillor Dennison and seconded by Councillor Wood. Councillor Riches and Councillor Caroline Jackson spoke in support.

On being put to the vote the Mayor declared the vote unanimously carried.

Resolved unanimously:

- (1) That in pursuance of Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, this Council confers the Freedom of the City of Lancaster on Mr Richard Brock in recognition of his service in World War II.
- (2) That the Chief Officer (Governance) be authorised to make the necessary arrangements for the award to be made in the New Year.

Mayor

(The meeting finished at 6.08 p.m.)

Any queries regarding these minutes,
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