COUNTY BOROUGH OF BLAENAU GWENT

REPORT TO:	THE PRESIDING MEMBER AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL
SUBJECT:	EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL – 30 TH MARCH, 2023
REPORT OF:	DEMOCRATIC OFFICER

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR C. SMITH (PRESIDING MEMBER, CHAIR)

Councillors C. Bainton

- S. Behr
- K. Chaplin
- M. Cross
- H. Cunningham
- D. Davies
- G. A. Davies
- M. Day
- S. Edmunds
- J. Gardner
- J. Hill
- J. Holt
- W. Hodgins
- G. Humphreys
- E. Jones
- R. Leadbeter
- J.C. Morgan
- L. Parsons
- D. Rowberry
- T. Smith
- J. Wilkins
- D. Wilkshire
- L. Winnett
- G. Thomas
- S. Thomas

AND:	Interim Chief Executive Chief Officer Commercial & Customer Head of Democratic Services Governance & Partnerships Head of Legal and Corporate Compliance Service Manager Performance & Democratic Professional Load for Engagement, Equalities 8
	Professional Lead for Engagement, Equalities & Welsh Language

ALSO: Eva Clarke

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
1.	SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION	
	It was noted that no requests had been received for the simultaneous translation service.	
2.	APOLOGIES	
	The following apologies for absence were received from:	
	Councillors H. Trollope, J.P. Morgan.	
3.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS	
	There were no declarations of interest or dispensations reported.	
4.	HONORARY 'FREEDOM OF THE COUNTY BOROUGH'	
	– EVA CLARKE	
	The Chair commenced by explaining that an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council had been convened for the sole object, notice of which was now given, of considering and if thought fit passing a resolution in the following terms, which resolution, pursuant to Section 249 (5) of the Local Government Act 1972, must be passed by not less than two-thirds of the Members voting thereon.	
	At the invitation of the Chair, the Leader of the Council thereupon continued by proposing the following Motion:	

That in pursuance of Section 249 (5) of the Local Government Act 1972 the Council of the County Borough of Blaenau Gwent do hereby confer the Honorary Freedom of the County Borough of Blaenau Gwent upon

EVA CLARKE

To mark Eva's commitment, dedication and devotion to spreading a message of hope in darkness by outlining the harrowing story of the Holocaust to young and old alike to combat racism, prejudice and anti-semitism. In recognition of the work and ties that Eva has forged within the Blaenau Gwent area.

That the Council do embrace the privilege of admitting the said Eva Clarke as Freeperson of the County Borough of Blaenau Gwent.

This Motion was seconded.