

**COUNTY BOROUGH OF BLAENAU GWENT**

<b>REPORT TO:</b>	<b><u>THE PRESIDING MEMBER AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL</u></b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b><u>EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL – 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2023</u></b>
<b>REPORT OF:</b>	<b><u>DEMOCRATIC OFFICER</u></b>

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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 Lead for Engagement, Equalities & Welsh Language

ALSO: Eva Clarke

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
1.	<p><b><u>SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION</u></b></p> <p>It was noted that no requests had been received for the simultaneous translation service.</p>	
2.	<p><b><u>APOLOGIES</u></b></p> <p>The following apologies for absence were received from:</p> <p>Councillors H. Trollope, J.P. Morgan.</p>	
3.	<p><b><u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS</u></b></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest or dispensations reported.</p>	
4.	<p><b><u>HONORARY 'FREEDOM OF THE COUNTY BOROUGH' – EVA CLARKE</u></b></p> <p>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.</p> <p>At the invitation of the Chair, the Leader of the Council thereupon continued by proposing the following Motion:</p>	

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.