



KIDDERMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

Freemen Investiture Wednesday 20th October at 7.00pm In the Music Room at the Town Hall, Kidderminster

To all Town Councillors

You are hereby summoned to attend a special meeting of the Town Council for the investiture of four new Freemen of Kidderminster. The investiture will be held on **Wednesday, 20th October 2021** in the **Music Room, Town Hall, Vicar Street, Kidderminster** at **7.00pm** for the transaction of the business detailed below:

Tony Beirne
Town Clerk

Order of Proceedings

1. Prayers

2. Welcome to the ceremony by Councillor J. Smith, the Town Mayor

3. Apologies

To receive apologies for absence

4. Investiture of the Freemen

- Councillor D. Ross to read the appointment declarations and to formally announce Mrs A. Hingley
- Councillor N. Gale will announce Mr Keith Bannister
- Councillor R Bishop will announce Mr Jeff Baker
- Councillor F. Oborski MBE will announce Mr Mike Kelly

Interlude before the Oath of Allegiance

5. Oath of Allegiance

The Town Clerk will oversee the Oath of Allegiance by inviting all four Freemen to take the oath

6. Responses

- Mrs Anne Hingley will respond
- Mr Keith Bannister will respond
- Mr Jeff Baker will respond
- Mr Mike Kelly will respond

7. Close of Meeting

The Town Mayor will close the meeting and will invite those present to join in the singing of the following verses of the National Anthem.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

God save our gracious Queen!
Long live our noble Queen!
God save our Queen!
Send her victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us,
God save the Queen,

Thy choicest gifts in store
On her be pleased to pour,
Long may she reign.
May she defend our laws,
And ever give us cause,
To sing with heart and voice,
God save the Queen.

At the conclusion of the meeting the Town Mayor, Consort and remainder of the civic party will retire from the Music Room.

The Town Mayor, Consort and Freeman all preceded by the Town Clerk, will proceed to the Corn Exchange.

The remaining Town Councillors will process to the King Charles I Room for disrobing.

Visiting Mayors, Council Chairmen, other civic representatives present and members of the public are requested to remain in their places until the Town Mayor and Consort of Kidderminster and the remaining Councillors and officers have retired from the Music Room.

Following the exit of the civic party the Freeman will receive all present in the adjoining Corn Exchange where light refreshments will be served.

Visiting Mayors, Council Chairmen and other civic representatives are asked to proceed to the Corn Exchange as soon as the Town of Kidderminster civic procession has left the Music Room.

Members of the public are respectfully requested to leave the Music Room after all the civic guests have retired from the hall.