

## Sunderland City Council

At an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of SUNDERLAND CITY COUNCIL held in the CIVIC CENTRE, SUNDERLAND on FRIDAY 14 OCTOBER 2011 at 2.30pm

**Present:** The Mayor (Councillor N Wright) in the Chair

Councillors	Allan	Hall	Scott	Walton
	Ball	Kelly	Shattock	P. Watson
	Bell	MacKnight	P. Smith	S. Watson
	Blackburn	L. Martin	Snowdon	Wilson
	Bonallie	Mordey	Speding	Wiper
	Copeland	Morrissey	Thompson	Wood
	Curran	Oliver	D. Trueman	A. Wright
	Fletcher	Padgett	H. Trueman	T. Wright
	Forbes	Porthouse	Vardy	
	Francis	D. Richardson	Wakefield	
	Gofton	Rolph	Walker	

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

The Mayor's Chaplain, Caroline Worsfold, offered prayers on behalf of those present.

### Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

### Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted to the meeting on behalf of Councillors Anderson, Charlton, Dixon, Ellis, Errington, Emerson, Essl, Fairs, S. Foster, T. Foster, Gallagher, E. Gibson, P. Gibson, Heron, Kay, Lauchlan, Maddison, McClennan, F. Miller, I. Richardson, Scaplehorn, Smiles, D. Smith, Stewart, Tate, Tye, Waller and Williams.

### Freedom of the City – Mr John Mawston, Sir Bob Murray CBE and Sir Peter Vardy DL

The Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) inviting the Council to formally confer the Honorary Freedom of the City upon Mr John Mawston, Sir Bob Murray CBE and Sir Peter Vardy DL.

The Mayor extended a warm welcome to all present at the meeting.

It was then moved by Councillor Hall, and duly seconded by Councillor Speding, that the Council formally confer the Honorary Freedom of the City upon Mr John Mawston. Councillors Rolph and T. Wright also spoke to the motion. On being put to the meeting the motion was unanimously agreed and it was:-

RESOLVED that in pursuance of the provisions of Section 249(5) of the Local Government Act 1972 the Council do confer the Honorary Freedom of the City on John Mawston as a token of honour and esteem in which he is held by the citizens of Sunderland and in recognition of his outstanding contributions to culture and leisure in his local community and within the City.

Mr Mawston then signed the Roll of Honorary Freemen of the City.

The Mayor then presented Mr Mawston with an illuminated copy of the Council's Resolution.

Mr Mawston responded appropriately.

It was then moved by Councillor P Watson, and duly seconded by Councillor H Trueman, that the Council formally confer the Honorary Freedom of the City upon Sir Bob Murray CBE. On being put to the meeting the motion was unanimously agreed and it was:-

RESOLVED that in pursuance of the provisions of Section 249(5) of the Local Government Act 1972 the Council do confer the Honorary Freedom of the City on Sir Bob Murray CBE as a token of the honour and esteem in which he is held by the Citizens of Sunderland and in recognition of his outstanding contributions to football, education and charitable causes within the City.

Sir Bob then signed the Roll of Honorary Freemen of the City.

The Mayor then presented Sir Bob with an illuminated copy of the Council's Resolution.

Sir Bob responded appropriately.

It was then moved by Councillor Oliver, and duly seconded by Councillor Wood, that the Council formally confer the Honorary Freedom of the City upon Sir Peter Vardy DL. On being put to the meeting the motion was unanimously agreed and it was:-

RESOLVED that in pursuance of the provisions of Section 249(5) of the Local Government Act 1972 the Council do confer the Honorary Freedom of the City on Sir Peter Vardy DL as a token of the honour and esteem in which he is held by the Citizens of Sunderland and in recognition of his contributions to business and education.

Sir Peter then signed the Roll of Honorary Freemen of the City.

The Mayor then presented Sir Peter with an illuminated copy of the Council's Resolution.

Sir Peter responded appropriately.

The Mayor then thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting.

(Signed) N. WRIGHT,  
Mayor.