

CITY HALL,  
SUNDERLAND  
15 JULY 2024

**TO THE MEMBERS OF SUNDERLAND CITY COUNCIL**

**YOU ARE SUMMONED TO ATTEND AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING** of Sunderland City Council to be held in the **Council Chamber, City Hall, Plater Way, Sunderland, SR1 3AA** on **WEDNESDAY 24 JULY 2024** at **6.00pm** or at the conclusion of the preceding Extraordinary Council meeting, whichever is the later, at which it is proposed to consider and transact the following business: -

1. **To read the Notice convening the meeting.**
2. **Receipt of Declarations of Interest (if any).**
3. **Apologies.**
4. **Honorary Freedom of the City – Kevin Ball and Gerard ‘Ger’ Fowler – Report of the Chief Executive.**



**PATRICK MELIA OBE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE.**

It is intended that the meeting will be livestreamed for the public to view on the Council's YouTube channel at -

<https://youtube.com/live/CZIPAcf9eh8?feature=share>



# ***Report***



**HONORARY FREEDOM OF THE CITY – KEVIN BALL AND GERARD FOWLER**

**Report of the Chief Executive**

At its meeting on 20 March 2024 the Council agreed to the conferring of the Honorary Freedom of the City upon Kevin Ball and Gerard ‘Ger’ Fowler and that an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council be convened at which to hold the formal ceremony.

The Council is therefore formally invited to confer the Honorary Freedom of the City upon Kevin Ball and Gerard Fowler by resolving: -

- (i) that in accordance with the provisions of Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 the Council do admit Kevin Ball to be an Honorary Freeman of the City, in recognition of the example of commitment and achievement he sets in sport and football and as an ambassador for Sunderland and role model for young people in the city; and
- (ii) that in accordance with the provisions of Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 the Council do admit Gerard ‘Ger’ Fowler to be an Honorary Freeman of the City, in recognition of the example of commitment and achievement he sets in supporting the city’s veteran community, as an ambassador for Sunderland and role model for young people in the city.

