

THE CHARTER TRUSTEES FOR BOURNEMOUTH



Report subject	Report of the Bournemouth Civic Working Group
Meeting date	22 January 2024
Status	Public Report
Executive summary	This report summarises the issues discussed at the Civic Working Group and seeks support for any recommendations arising.
Recommendations	Implementation of a new Mayor's Award Scheme It is RECOMMENDED that: a. the Charter Trustees agree to the implementation of a Mayor's Award Scheme in principle, and; b. That the Civic Working Group be delegated authority to oversee the use of any budget agreed in support of the Scheme.
Reason for recommendations	To seek support of the Charter Trustees for the recommendations arising from the Civic Working Group.
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Classification	For Decision.

Background

1. At the meeting held on 22 June 2022, the Charter Trustees established a Civic Working Group to make recommendations at the Charter Trustee Meetings.

Purpose of the Civic Working Group

2. The establishment of the Civic Working Group provided an opportunity for earlier discussion of relevant matters and to allow members of the Charter Trustees to shape proposals for submission and consideration at the full Charter Trustee body. Meetings of the Civic Working Group would be scheduled quarterly.
3. The remainder of this paper draws upon those matters discussed and includes, where appropriate, a recommendation for determination.

Schedule of dates for future Civic Working Group Meetings

4. The Civic Working Group agreed that they would meet six to eight weeks before each Charter Trustee meeting.
5. The most recent meeting was held on 08 January 2024.

Request for a Budget to mark the 80th Anniversary of D-Day in June 2024.

6. The Civic Working Group recommended that the 80th Anniversary of D-Day in June 2024 be marked with an appropriate event in Bournemouth. To that end, a provision of £5,000 to support the event is requested, to be determined as part of agenda item 6: Budget and Precept 2024/25.
7. If approved, further details of the format of the event will be shared with the Charter Trustees in due course.

Implementation of a new Mayor's Award Scheme

8. The Civic Working Group recommended the implementation of a new Mayor's Award Scheme to recognise and acknowledge Bournemouth residents who were volunteering within the community.
9. A provision of £2,000 to support the Scheme is requested, to be taken from the Civic Awards budget header to be determined as part of agenda item 6: Budget and Precept 2024/25. If approved, it was recommended that the Civic Working Group be delegated authority for the use of that provision.

RECOMMENDATION:- That:

- a. the Charter Trustees agree to the implementation of a Mayor's Award Scheme in principle, and;
- b. That the Civic Working Group be delegated authority to oversee the use of any budget agreed in support of the Scheme.

Use of the Coat of Arms

10. Following a query on the use of Charter Trustee Coats of Arms, clarifying information was sought from the College of Arms. Bournemouth Trustees are requested to note the information as reproduced below:

"Coats of Arms belong only to the corporate body to which they have been granted, and they can be borne only by that body. So the Arms of a local authority can be borne only by that authority, on stationery, signs, seals, flags, vehicles and so on, to represent that corporate body. Local authorities are not able to grant licences or other permissions to outside bodies to use their Arms: Arms are legally rather close to dignities, being conferred under Crown authority."

Summary of financial implications

11. There are no financial implications arising from this report and the recommendations before the Charter Trustees.

Summary of legal implications

12. The roles and responsibilities of the Charter Trustees is defined in legislation, standing orders and the handbook. The issues raised in this report are in accordance with these provisions.

Summary of human resources implications

13. There are no human resource implications arising from this report.

Summary of sustainability impact

14. There are no sustainability implications arising from this report.

Summary of public health implications

15. There are no public health implications arising from this report.

Summary of equality implications

16. There are no equality implications arising from this report.

Summary of risk assessment

17. The Charter Trustees maintain a separate risk register which is reviewed annually by the Charter Trustees as a body. Any implications arising from decisions of the Charter Trustees which may have an impact on the register will be updated accordingly.

Background papers

None.

Appendices

None.