

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Cabinet

19 February 2020

Report of the Assistant Chief Executive and Chief Digital Officer

Matter for Decision

Wards Affected: All

Establishing Mayor's Cadets

Purpose of the Report:

To seek approval from Cabinet for the establishment of three Mayor's Cadets for each civic year in recognition of the important contribution the uniformed Cadet Services make to civic life in the county borough.

Executive Summary:

This report sets out the selection and nomination process for the three cadets, and the responsibilities of both the council and the three cadet forces in the county borough, i.e. the Sea Cadets, the Army Cadets and RAF Air Cadets.

This is a unique opportunity to raise the profile of our uniformed youth services and provides opportunities for the cadets to be involved in some high profile events.

Members are being asked to approve the establishment of the Mayor's Cadets.

Background:

It is common practice throughout the UK that a Mayor nominates cadets to be their official cadets for their term of office.

The Mayor's Cadets' duties will include participation in Mayoral processions, Civic Services, participation in the Remembrance Sunday Parade and Service, and other events as and when appropriate in the course of the Mayor's official duties.

Recommendations for applicants will be made by the three services; the Sea Cadets, Army Cadets and RAF Air Cadets.

A panel made up of the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Cllr. Peter Rees, Cabinet Member for Education, Skills and Culture, advised by the Assistant Chief Executive and Chief Digital Officer, will consider the applications. The Deputy Mayor will make the final decision.

The cadets' terms of office coincides with that of the Mayor, beginning their term on the date when the Deputy Mayor takes office as Mayor.

At the Mayor Making Ceremony, the cadets are formally installed as Mayor's Cadets and presented with a badge of office which they are expected to wear on official duties.

It is the responsibility of the 'parent' cadet force to liaise with the Mayor's office to determine the duties for which the cadets will be required.

At the end of their term of office the cadets will be presented with a certificate.

Financial Impacts:

There is a cost of approx. £120 per year for the three badges and certificates. This will be funded from within existing budget cash limits.

Integrated Impact Assessment:

There is no requirement for an Integrated Impact Assessment.

Valleys Communities Impacts:

This report seeks approval for the establishment of Mayor's Cadets. Some of the events the Mayor's Cadets will be attending may be hosted in valleys communities.

Workforce Impacts:

No impacts

Legal Impacts:

There are no legal implications.

Risk Management Impacts:

Nominated cadets will usually be under the age of 18 on the 1st May of the year in which they take up the appointment and the necessary DBS checks and the relevant safeguarding training will be completed.

Consultation:

There is no requirement for external consultation on this item.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that members approve the establishment of three Mayor's Cadets for each civic year from May 2020 onwards.

Reasons for Proposed Decision:

To raise the profile of our uniformed youth services and to provide opportunities for our young cadets to be involved in some high profile events.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision is proposed for implementation after the three day call in period.

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