

COUNCIL

Wednesday, 3rd April, 2019
Time of Commencement: 7.00 pm

Present:- The Mayor - Councillor Mrs Gill Heesom – in the Chair

Councillors:

S. Burgess	B. Panter
G. Burnett	A. Parker
Miss J Cooper	S. Pickup
Mrs J Cooper	B. Proctor
J. Cooper	M. Reddish
S. Dymond	K. Robinson
A. Fear	A. Rout
A. Fox-Hewitt	E. Shenton
A. Gardner	M. Stubbs
M. Holland	S. Sweeney
E. Horsfall	J Tagg
B. Johnson	S Tagg
T. Johnson	J. Walklate
D. Jones	J Waring
T. Kearon	P Waring
A. Lawley	G White
H. Maxfield	S White
S. Moffat	I. Wilkes
P. Northcott	G Williams
M. Olszewski	J Williams
Owen	R. Wright

Officers Executive Director Operational Services- David Adams, Geoff Durham - Marketing Support Officer, Chief Executive - Martin Hamilton, Simone Harris- Marketing Officer and Interim Executive Director - Resources and Support Services - J

1. **APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest stated.

3. **FREEDOM OF THE BOROUGH**

The Special Meeting had been called in respect of conferring honorary Freedom of the Borough upon Fred and Connie Van Buren.

Councillor Simon Tagg stated that Fred and Connie's achievements both in their performing and their promotion of Philip Astley should be recognised.

Councillor Gary White echoed Councillor Tagg's Comments, adding that this was important both for the Borough and the Circus.

Members agreed with the comments, Councillor Kearon stating that the Van Buren's played a big part in raising the profile of Newcastle.

Resolved: That the Council in exercise of their powers under Section 249(5) of the Local Government Act 1972 and being desirous of expressing its admiration and appreciation of the long and eminent service given by Fred and Connie Van Buren to magic and illusion performances and raising the profile of Philip Astley and his historic links to the Borough, and as a mark of esteem does confer upon them the honorary Freedom of the Borough.

THE MAYOR - COUNCILLOR MRS GILL HEESOM
Chair

Meeting concluded at 7.15pm