

Committee: FULL COUNCIL

Date: 27 September 2022

Title: Chair's Award for Service to the Community 2022/23 – 17th February 2023

Purpose of Report

To consider seeking a nomination for the Somerset County Council's Chair's Award for Service to the Community 2022-23.

Recommendation:

The Council resolves to delegate to officers to seek suitable nominations for the Chair's Award for Service to the Community 2022-23 in consultation with the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Chairs of Resources and Open Spaces.

Report

1. Councillor Mike Best, Chair of Somerset County Council, sent a letter which has been shared with members informing the Town Council of an annual award ceremony for Service to the Community on Friday 17th February 2023.
2. The Town Council are invited to nominate individuals for the award by Monday 31st October 2022 and the requirements for the award are as follows:
 - a. Each council should make one nomination only.
 - b. Nominees should not be in receipt of any previous community awards.
 - c. Nominees must live within the parish.
3. Officers felt that for it to be a community award that the nominations should be made by the community and as such would produce a form that reflects that issued by SCC. This could be shared through the power of social media, Members links with the groups to which they have been nominated and on the council website.
4. If there are a significant number of people proposed it may be necessary for them to be shortlisted and this could be done in consultation with the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Chairs of Resources, PHT and Open Spaces.
5. As the deadline for nominations is Monday 31st October 2022 Members may resolve to delegate to officers to seek suitable nominations for the award, in consultation with the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Chairs of Resources, PHT and Open Spaces.
6. Any possible nominations will be brought to the meeting of the Town Council on 18th October 2022 for all Members to consider.

**Julie Earp
Deputy Town Clerk
September 2022**