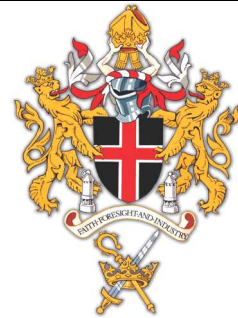


CHARTER TRUST FOR THE CITY OF DURHAM

8 JANUARY 2014

Past Mayor and Mayoress/Consort Jewels



City of Durham

Report of Sharon Spence, Clerk to the Charter Trustees

Purpose of the Report

1. Charter Trustees are aware that each year at Mayor Making the retiring Mayor and Mayoress/Consort are presented with “Jewels” in the form of Medals, in recognition of their service to the City. This report sets out a number of options which Charter Trustees may wish to consider in view of the increasing costs of continuing this tradition in its current form.

Background

2. The practice of presenting the past Mayor and Mayoress/Consort with “Jewels” at Mayor Making is a longstanding tradition in the City, however, there are a number of options should the Charter Trustees wish to reduce the cost of this provision.

Past Mayor’s Medal “Jewels”

3. To continue as in recent years the cost of providing a 9ct gold Past Mayor Medal and a silver gilt Past Mayoress/Consort Medal are set out below:

Past Mayor	£604.46
Past Mayoress/Consort	£290.10

Machine engraving costs £0.40 net per character.

The above prices are exclusive of carriage and VAT

4. In light of the current financial climate the Charter Trustees may wish to consider other options in this respect.

Option one

5. As set out in paragraph 3, 9ct gold Past Mayor Medal and silver gilt Past Mayoress/Consort Medal.

Past Mayor	£604.46
Past Mayoress/Consort	£290.10

Total Cost **£894.56**

Machine engraving costs £0.40 net per character.

The above prices are exclusive of carriage and VAT

Option two

6. Both the Past Mayor and Past Mayoress/Consort be given silver gilt Medals

Past Mayor	£290.10
Past Mayoress/Consort	£290.10

Total Cost **£580.20**

Machine engraving costs £0.40 net per character.

The above prices are exclusive of carriage and VAT

Option three

7. Only the Past Mayor be presented with a gold Medal

Past Mayor	£604.46
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Machine engraving costs £0.40 net per character.

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Option four

8. Only the Past Mayor be presented with a silver gilt Medal

Past Mayor	£290.10
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Machine engraving costs £0.40 net per character.

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Recommendation and reason

9. There is clearly a historic tradition of providing both the Past Mayor and Past Mayoress/Consort with Medals “Jewels” in recognition of their service to the City. Budget provision has been made to cover the cost of providing one gold and one silver gilt medal. Charter Trustees instructions are requested as to how they wish to take this forward.

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Appendix 1: Implications

Finance – Detailed within the report.

Staffing - None specific within the report.

Risk - None specific within the report.

Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty - None specific within the report.

Accommodation - None specific within the report.

Crime and Disorder - None specific within the report.

Human Rights - None specific within the report.

Consultation - None specific within the report.

Procurement - None specific within the report.

Disability Issues - None specific within the report.

Legal Implications - None specific within the report.