CHARTER TRUST FOR THE CITY OF DURHAM

18 June 2014

Mayor's Bodyguard – attendance at funerals



Report of Bryan Smith, Clerk to the Charter Trustees

Purpose of the Report

To advise Trustees of the Bodyguard proposal for attending funerals of past and serving members and Honorary members.

Background

The Mayor's Bodyguard currently have approval to attend (with the family consent) in formal ceremonial dress and with the Civic sword and Halbards the funeral service for a serving member of the Bodyguard. They seek approval for attendance in the same terms for retired or resigned members of at least 6 years' service and for Honorary members. The Bodyguard have drafted a Procedural note as a guide for such attendances which is attached for Trustees' information. Trustees will note that costs of transporting the Bodyguard members with ceremonial regalia to and from a funeral service from Town Hall are met by the Charter Trust. Cost of a bus hire for each occasion is estimated at £45.00.

Recommendation

That Trustees consider and approve the proposal to allow Bodyguard attendance at funerals for serving, retired or resigned members of at least 6 years' service and for Honorary members.

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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.