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Report of the City Solicitor

Report to Council

Date: 27th March 2019

Subject: The Leeds Award

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	☐ Yes	⊠ No

Summary of main issues

1. This report outlines the proposal of the Leeds Award Panel to recommend the nomination for Mr Tony Harrison to receive the Leeds Award.

Recommendations

1. That Council approve the recommendations of the Leeds Award Panel.

1 Purpose of this report

- 1.1 For Council to consider the outcome of the Leeds Award Panel who have unanimously agreed to make the recommendation that the following nomination receive the Leeds Award:
- 1.2 Tony Harrison to honour his distinguished career as a poet and playwright who put the city of Leeds firmly at the centre of his work, promoting it on both a national and international stage.

2 Background information

- 2.1 On 17th October 2007, the Executive Board agreed to the creation of the 'Leeds Award'.
- 2.2 The Leeds Award is a prestigious honour that recognises that there are many people, groups, organisations and teams that bring great credit to the City through their exceptional hard work and dedication. It is viewed as a lasting tribute to those contributions that make a real difference to the City.
- 2.3 Following the initial processes, Group Leaders appointed representatives to act on their behalf at all future Leeds Award Panel meetings.
- 3 Corporate Considerations
- 3.1 Consultation and Engagement
- 3.1.1 Elected Members
- 3.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration
- 3.2.1 No Impact
- 3.3 Council policies and City Priorities
- 3.3.1 No Impact
- 3.4 Resources and value for money
- 3.4.1 All costs would be contained within existing budgets
- 3.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In
- 3.5.1 No implications
- 3.6 Risk Management
- 3.6.1 There are no risk issues

4 Conclusions

4.1 The Leeds Award Panel recommends that Tony Harrison receive the Leeds Award.

5 Recommendations

- 5.1 That Council approve the recommendations of the Leeds Award Panel above.
- 6 Background documents¹
- 6.1 None.

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¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.