

Leeds Award Nomination

Date: 15th November 2023

Report of: City Solicitor

Report to: Council

Will the decision be open for call in? Yes No

Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? Yes No

What is this report about?

Including how it contributes to the city's and council's ambitions

This report outlines the proposal of the Leeds Award Panel to recommend the nomination for Alford Gardner to receive the Leeds Award.

Recommendations

- a) That Council approve the recommendations of the Leeds Award Panel

Why is the proposal being put forward?

- 1 For Council to consider the outcome of the Leeds Award Panel who have unanimously agreed to make the recommendation that Alford Gardner receive the Leeds Award in recognition of his extensive contributions to the West Indian community in Leeds, his significant contributions as a Windrush generation pioneer and also in recognition of his wartime service.

What impact will this proposal have?

Wards affected:

Have ward members been consulted? Yes No

- 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 the contributions to make a real difference to the city.

What consultation and engagement has taken place?

- 3 Representatives from all political groups make the up the membership of the Leeds Award Panel, and act as representatives for the political Group Leaders.

What are the resource implications?

- 4 All costs would be contained within existing budgets.

What are the legal implications?

- 5 No implications

What are the key risks and how are they being managed?

- 6 There are no risk issues

Does this proposal support the council's three Key Pillars?

Inclusive Growth Health and Wellbeing Climate Emergency

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Options, timescales and measuring success

What other options were considered?

- 8 Approval by full Council is the only mechanism available for nominations made to the Leeds Award Panel

How will success be measured?

- 9 The Leeds Award Panel have determined that Alford Gardner is an acceptable and appropriate recipient of the Leeds Award.

What is the timetable for implementation?

10 With immediate effect, following approval by full Council.

Appendices

11 None

Background papers

12 None