



## Appendix FG129

### **MARKET DRAYTON HONORARY TOWNSPERSON AWARD POLICY**

#### **1. Introduction**

Market Drayton thrives on the contribution made to its community life by many of its citizens. They take several different forms, many voluntary and often in support of the town's organisations. Many benefit and the quality of life is improved by their hard work.

For some their work goes unrecognised and unrewarded. The Town Council has the right however to bestow the award of "Honorary Townsperson" upon those whose accomplishments are considered to be outstanding and therefore worthy of this prestigious accolade.

**Awards are considered by-annually.**

#### **2. Objective**

To reconsider the need to reaffirm the means whereby those local residents who are deemed to have made an outstanding and far reaching contribution to the well being of the town in general should be honoured by being made an "Honorary Townsperson of Market Drayton".

#### **3. Criteria for the Award**

The person concerned should be judged to have made a contribution which has:-

- enhanced the general well being of the town and is beyond that of the normal expectations of the average person;
- made an outstanding mark and had a long lasting beneficial effect across a range of aspects of community life;
- not necessarily been confined solely to the work of one organisation, but if it is the case the above two points must apply;
- been made over a period of years.
- Normally been in a voluntary and largely unpaid capacity

#### 4. Procedures

- *A completed nomination form to be submitted; proposed by three members of the Market Drayton community who cannot be related to the nominee.*
- The decision to make an award to be made by a simple majority vote.
- Awards can be made posthumously.
- The press to be excluded from agenda item at which the names of people so proposed are discussed.
- Each person so honoured to receive a certificate and a medallion.

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F & G P Committee