Award of Merit Task Group : Proposed Terms of Reference

Melton Borough Award and Mayor's Award of Merit

- 1. There be up to 5 awards as follows :-
 - (a) 1 x Melton Borough Award
 - To recognise contribution to the life of the Borough eg. promotion of the Borough, go beyond job role, benefit others through their work
 - Must be over 18 years of age
 - To include an individual or organisation or group
 - May be in employment or paid for their contribution
 - (b) 4 x Mayor's Awards of Merit
 - To recognise outstanding and selfless contribution to the community
 - Must be over 18 years of age
 - To include an individual or organisation or group
 - Contribution must be voluntary and unpaid
- 2. The 'Robert Hyslop Citizen of the Year Award' be awarded to the most outstanding of the 'Award of Merit' nominations
- 3. There be a citation for each awardee and this be entered into a book created for the purpose of recording awardees
- 4. Nominations for awards be made via a Borough Councillor or direct to the Council (a Councillor cannot refuse to assist a nomination)
- 5. Councillors may not be nominated until 2 years has passed since they ceased to be Councillor and the reason for nomination be not related to their Council work
- 6. Nominations must relate to service in the Borough and there be no requirement for nominees to live in the Borough
- 7. Councillors on the Award of Merit Task Group may not support a candidate they have nominated
- 8. A nominee cannot receive more than 1 award in the same year
- 9. A successful awardee cannot receive an award in the following year after receiving an award

Young Citizen Award

- 1. There be up to 5 Young Citizen Awards as follows :-
 - To recognise the positive role young people play in our community today and encourage our youth to be thoughtful and caring citizens of the future
 - Must be 18 years of age or under
 - To include an individual or organisation or group
- 2. The Derek Sanders Cup be awarded to the most outstanding of the Young Citizen nominations
- 3. Apart from (1) and (2) above and in the over 18 awards, nominations to meet the same criteria as the Melton Borough Award and the Mayor's Awards of Merit

<u>References :</u> April 2006 – PFA Committee December 2010 – PFA Committee June 2012 – Governance Committee