

ASSEMBLY

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Title: Death of former Councillor Mabel Arnold	
Report of the Chief Executive	
Open	For Information
Wards Affected: None	Key Decision: No
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Summary: <p>The Assembly is asked to note with sadness that former Councillor Mabel Arnold passed away peacefully in a residential home in Stourbridge, West Midlands Sunday 10 February 2019.</p> <p>Mabel served as a Councillor between 1974 and 1998, initially representing the Manor Ward. She represented the Parsloes Ward between 1978 and 1986 and then the former Cambell Ward between 1986 and 1998.</p> <p>During her time on the Council, Mabel was on a wide range - of committees including the General Purposes, Technical Services, Education, Finance and Cleansing Committees. She also served as the Deputy Chair of the Social Services Committee between 1982 and 1988 and the Libraries Committees between 1990 and 1993.</p> <p>Mabel also represented the Council on numerous outside bodies, including the Fostering and Adoption Service, and was Chair of Governors for Barking College of Adult Education and a Governor of Cambell, Godwin and Monteagle Schools.</p> <p>Mabel was elected Mayor for the 1987/88 municipal year and was granted the Freedom of the Borough in 1995.</p> <p>Mabel was 102 years of age when she passed and is survived by two children, eight grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren and 24 great great grandchildren.</p> <p>The funeral which will be a cremation will take place on Thursday 14 March at 1pm at St.Mary's Church in Stourbridge. Given Mabel's long association with the Borough the family has arranged for a Memorial service as a celebration of her life, to be held on Wednesday 20 March at the Dagenham Baptist Church in Chaplin Road RM9 6EP. Those attending the service are asked to gather from 11am.</p>	

The family have asked that if anybody would like to make a donation the preferred charity is 'The Bobby Moore Cancer Fund'.

Recommendation

The Assembly is asked to stand for a minute's silence as a mark of respect.