ASSEMBLY

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Title: The Queen's Birthday Honours list 2012 - award of MBE to both Alderman Frederick Charles Jones and Rita Margaret Giles Report of: The Leader of the Council For Information Open Wards Affected: None **Key Decision: No** Report Author: Margaret Freeman, Senior **Contact Details: Democratic Services Officer** Tel: 020 8227 2638 E-mail: margaret.freeman@lbbd.gov.uk Accountable Divisional Director: Tasnim Shawkat, Divisional Director Legal and **Democratic Services Summary:** The Assembly is asked to note the award in the Queen's Birthday Honours list 2012 of MBE to both Alderman Frederick Charles Jones and Rita Margaret Giles for services to the community.

1. Introduction and Background

Alderman Frederick Charles Jones:

- 1.1 Fred Jones was elected to the Council in 1964 and remained a Councillor for 42 years.
- 1.2 He was awarded Honorary Freedom of the Borough in 1985 and was Mayor for the municipal year 1990/91. During his time on the Council, Fred was Chair of the Libraries Committee, Vice-Chair of the Education Committee and served on numerous other committees. External organisations that he served on included the Barking Arts Council, Barking and Dagenham Voluntary Service Association and the Witten Association.
- 1.3 On 11 October 2006 Fred was appointed as an Honorary Alderman of the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham in recognition of his outstanding service to the Council.

Rita Margaret Giles:

1.4 Rita Giles moved to Dagenham in 1940 at the age of five. At 14 she joined the 7th Dagenham Scouts and progressed to Assistant Scout Leader before becoming secretary and fundraiser. She remained active in the Scouting movement for 40 years, became Chair of fundraising and helped raise the funds for a District Headquarters building in Reede Road, Dagenham.

- 1.5 Rita was a member of the Barking and Dagenham Youth Organisation and secretary of the Witten Twinning Committee.
- 1.6 In 1982 Rita was invited to become a Justice of the Peace and remained a Magistrate until her retirement in 2005, aged 70.
- 1.7 On 15 June 2007 Rita received the Borough Recognition Award and on 8 April 2011 was awarded Honorary Freedom of the Borough.
- 2. Proposal and Issues
- 2.1 The Assembly is asked to note the award of MBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours list 2012 to both Alderman Frederick Charles Jones and Rita Margaret Giles for services to the community.
- 3. Options Appraisal n/a
- 4. Consultation n/a
- 5. Financial Implications n/a
- 6. Legal Implications n/a
- 7. Other Implications n/a

Background papers used in the preparation of the report – none

List of appendices - none