

REPORT TO FULL COUNCIL

MARJORIE HURST CHARITY TRUSTEES



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Agenda Item 6
Prepared by Town Clerk

1.0 BACKGROUND

The Charity of Marjorie Hurst is a registered charity (215596) which provides accommodation for the elderly in Knutsford. The charity's origins are in a legacy of cash, land and property on Silk Mill Street bequeathed to the Knutsford Urban District Council by Marjorie Hurst. Knutsford Town Council was sole trustee to the charity until the scheme for the charity was changed in 1983 to create a smaller trust.

The trust deed sets out that there are to be five trustees each serving four-year terms who may, but need not be, a member of the Town Council. The trust deed sets terms of office for each trustee such that two trustees retire in 2022 and three in 2024. Under the trust deed, the trustees to the charity are appointed by Knutsford Town Council.

A procedure for the appointment of trustees was agreed by the Town Clerk and Clerk to the Trustees in 2017. The procedure sets out that the Charity shall put forward nominations for trustees to the Council for appointments in May each relevant year.

2.0 NOMINATED TRUSTEES

The charity has provided two nominations for the two trusteeships.

Mr Rick Dallimore has been nominated to continue as a trustee, he has served as a trustee of the charity since 2000. Mr Andrew Lloyd has been nominated as a new trustee.

The nominated trustees have submitted a trustee eligibility declaration in the form prescribed by the Charity Commission and have provided a statement as to their suitability.

3.0 DECISIONS REQUIRED

Council should consider the appointment of Rick Dallimore and Andrew Lloyds as trustees to the charity for the 2022-2026 term.

In accordance with the agreed procedure, should the Council decline to appoint a trustee as nominated by the Charity, the Charity shall nominate another trustee in time for the next scheduled Council meeting or the Council may determine to advertise for trustees and appoint trustees as it sees fit.