## NOMINATION FORM FOR THE ROLE OF HONORARY ALDERMAN OF SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

Please complete the following using either black ink or type (continue on separate A4 sheet if necessary):-

Name of Person being	Len Bates
nominated:	
Address:	xxxxxxxxxxx, Acton Trussell, ST17 xxx
Tel No:	01785 714xxx

Please explain how the nominee meets the following criteria for appointment:

1. How long has the nominee served on the District Council? The person being nominated must have served for a minimum of 20 years on the District Council.

Len has severed 12 years on the District Council, although not serving the full 20 years there are very special circumstances to warrant his appointment including a British Empire Medal (BEM) for service to the residents of South Staffordshire and in particular Penkridge and surrounding areas.

2. What eminent services has the nominee rendered during their time on the District Council?

Len has given eminent services to his residents and during his time on the District Council as Chairman of the Council, Chairman of several sub-Committees and also served on the Cabinet for many years, holding the Community Services Portfolio in very difficult times. For this work and also for the diligent work he carried out with the residents of Penkridge he was awarded the BEM. Serving on several outside bodies, including the Sow and Penk Drainage Board and the Staffordshire Playing Fields Association, the protection of the environment and the provision of quality service were always at the forefront of Len's thinking.

3. What significant contribution has the nominee made to the Council and its residents?

Len was involved in the sometimes challenging introduction of new waste contracts including Green Bins, Blue Bags and he represented SSDC on the Staffordshire Waste Board; always seeking to obtain the best results for the residents whilst keeping the principles of the green agenda upheld. Len led on the programme of Leisure Centre Refurbishments, ensuring these key facilities remained fit for purpose and available to residents linking strongly with the wider health agenda. Len had a lead role in respect of Cannock Chase ANOB, ensuring the protection of this nationally recognised asset. Len also led on the council's climate change agenda and was a vociferous champion of this, particularly focussing on the role of young people in this area.

4. Any other information that indicates this person should be conferred the appointment of Honorary Alderman?

## Appendix A

He negotiated the Council through some very difficult challenges, at times to his personal detriment, warranting very special circumstances as to why he should be conferred an Honorary Alderman.	
Signed:	Print name:
# Ley	Cllr Roger Lees
Date 14.6.23	

Please return this form to: Lorraine Fowkes, Director Legal & Governance, South Staffordshire Council, Community Hub, Wolverhampton Road, Codsall WV8 1PX who will forward the nomination to the Chairman for his/her consideration.