

Council

SPECIAL MEETING OF BELFAST CITY COUNCIL

Held in the City Hall on Monday, 2nd March, 2015
at 6.00 p.m., pursuant to Notice

Members present: The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor
(Councillor Mallon) (Chairman);
the Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Hendron);
the High Sheriff (Councillor McKee);
Aldermen Browne; M. Campbell; Ekin, Kingston,
McCoubrey, L. Patterson, R. Patterson, Robinson;
Rodgers, Stafford, Stoker and Webb; and
Councillors Attwood, Austin, Beattie, M. E. Campbell,
Carson, Clarke, Convery, Corr, Cunningham, Curran,
Garrett, Groves, Haire, Hanna, Hussey, Hutchinson,
Jones, Keenan, Kelly, Kennedy, Kyle, Mac Giolla Mhín,
Magee, McAteer, McCabe, McCarthy, McNamee, McVeigh,
Mullan, Newton, Ó Donnghaile, Reynolds, Spence,
Thompson and Verner.

Summons

The Chief Executive submitted the summons convening the meeting, which had been called in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government (Modification of Borough Charters) (Northern Ireland) Order 1973, for the purpose of considering a recommendation of the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee of 23rd January that the Freedom of the City be conferred upon Michael Longley.

Freedom of the City

Moved by Councillor Hanna,
Seconded by Alderman Stafford and

Resolved - This Council recognises the contribution made to literature and the life of the City by Michael Longley. For over fifty years, he has brought honour to Belfast through his poetry, which has gained him international acclaim as one of the greatest poets writing in the English language. Accordingly, in recognition of his achievements, the Council agrees that Mr. Michael Longley is hereby elected and admitted as a Freeman of the City of Belfast.

Lord Mayor
Chairman