



Freemen of the City

Status	Council
Responsible Division	Community Development
Objective	To outline considerations for Honorary Freeman of the City.

Context

Council may bestow the honorary title Freeman of the City on a person who has made an outstanding contribution to the City of Nedlands community. This prestigious honour will only be awarded for exceptional service.

Statement

Eligibility

To be nominated, a person must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- **Resident status:** the nominated person will usually be a current resident of the City of Nedlands. However, a person who has previously lived in and contributed to the City of Nedlands is eligible for nomination, even if they currently reside elsewhere.
- **Living person:** only living persons are eligible for nomination. Other avenues exist for the recognition of deceased persons, and their recognition is not part of the purpose of the Freeman of the City award.
- **Council service:** it is not necessary for the nominated person to have served as a City of Nedlands Councillor. Past Council members are eligible for nomination. Currently serving members of Council are not eligible for nomination.

Selection Criteria

Nominees will be judged on their record of service to the local community against the following criteria:

1. **Length of service** in a field (or fields) of activity;
2. **Community benefit:** while the main emphasis is on the benefit to the community of the City of Nedlands, account may also be taken of any contribution the nominee has made to the broader state, national or international community.



3. Special achievements of the nominee.

In recognition of the standing of this award, a maximum of six living persons only may hold the honorary title of Freeman of the City of Nedlands at any one time.

Related documentation

Procedure – Freeman of the City

Related Local Law / Legislation

Nil.

Related delegation

Nil.

Review History

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