

REPORT OF THE
Chief Executive
PART I

100. HER MAJESTY'S LORD LIEUTENANT OF HAMPSHIRE

1. Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenants are the representatives of the Crown for each county in the United Kingdom and are appointed by the Queen on the advice of the Prime Minister. Lord-Lieutenants are responsible for the organisation of all official royal visits to their county and will also represent the Queen by presenting certain decorations (where the recipient is not able to attend an Investiture) medals and awards including the British Empire Medal, The Queen's Awards for Enterprise, The Queen's Awards for Voluntary Service and the Elizabeth Cross.

2. Dame Mary Fagan DCVO JP retires as Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Hampshire on Thursday 11 September 2014 after 20 years of service to the County of Hampshire and the cities of Southampton and Portsmouth during which she has been a champion of Hampshire and Hampshire businesses through a variety of forums. Dame Mary was appointed by The Queen on 28 January 1994 and will long be remembered for her dedication to service. Dame Mary has been instrumental in many memorable and significant events enjoyed by the communities of Hampshire including:

- the D-Day 50 commemorations in 1995
- celebrations to mark The Queen's Golden Wedding in 1997
- The Queen's Golden Jubilee in 2002
- the International Fleet Review and Trafalgar 200 in 2005
- The Queen's Diamond Jubilee in 2012
- the 60th Anniversary of the Coronation in 2013

Most recently Dame Mary was involved in organising the County Service in Winchester Cathedral to mark the centenary of the outbreak of the First World War.

3. Dame Mary has received all Members of the Royal Family to Hampshire on many occasions over the 20 years and has been responsible for some 800 Royal visits. As President and Patron of 60 organisations, Dame Mary has attended around 15,000 visits to charities, voluntary organisations, businesses, schools, Universities, colleges and the Armed Services.

4. Nigel Atkinson has been appointed to succeed Dame Mary as Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of Hampshire from Friday 12 September 2014. Mr Atkinson has been a Deputy Lieutenant since 1999 and Vice Lord-Lieutenant of Hampshire since 2007.

5. Mr Atkinson served in the Royal Green Jackets before pursuing a business career which included being Chief Executive of Gales Brewery and latterly has

held a portfolio of non-executive appointments. He has been the non-executive chairman of South East Enterprise Agencies, chairman of the Order of St John in Hampshire and continues to serve as County Vice-President of the Duke of Edinburgh Award, Patron for the Rainbow Centre for Neurological Enablement, Trustee of Winchester Cathedral and Honorary Colonel of Hampshire and Isle of Wight Army Cadet Force.

RECOMMENDATION

That the County Council notes the retirement of Dame Mary Fagan as Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Hampshire and commends her 20 years service to the communities of Hampshire, and welcomes Nigel Atkinson as the in-coming Lord-Lieutenant of Hampshire.