

## EXE 012: CONFERRING OF HONOURS

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### Objective

To provide guidelines for the bestowing of Honours by the Shire of Esperance including:

- Freedom of Entry;
- Keys to the Shire; and
- Freeman of the Shire of Esperance.

### Policy

The following are high honours, which may be bestowed by the Shire of Esperance and bestow no legal right or privilege:

#### Freedom of Entry to the Shire of Esperance

The Freedom of Entry is to be granted to units of the Defence Forces, which have a significant attachment to the Shire of Esperance, as, determined by Council.

#### Key to the Shire of Esperance

The Key to the Shire of Esperance recognises the outstanding achievements by either an individual or organisation, as per the following guidelines:

- a) an individual or group must be considered to have reached a high level of achievement and service in their chosen field.
- b) individuals or groups must have been considered to have made a significant and meritorious contribution to the community of the Shire of Esperance, Western Australian, Australian or World Affairs.

#### Freeman of the Shire

The Freeman of the Shire is to be granted to Elected Members or Senior Staff of the Shire of Esperance:

- a) who have served the Shire for at least 12 years, although length of service is not the only criterion; and
- b) whose outstanding contribution to the community is recognisable through recorded achievements, which can be seen to stand above the contributions of most other persons; and
- c) who have consistently displayed commendable conduct; and
- d) who are no longer a serving elected member or staff member of the Council.

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