

## **Report to COUNCIL**

# **Civic Appreciation Nomination 2021**

### **Portfolio Holder:**

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### **Reason for Decision**

The purpose of the report is to seek approval to a nomination for Steve Hill MBE to receive the Civic Appreciation Award, in recognition of his service and dedication to the local community and the borough of Oldham.

The nomination has been put forward by Group Leaders.

### **Executive Summary**

Steve Hill MBE is being proposed for this award in recognition of his significant voluntary contribution and dedication to the local community and borough of Oldham.

Steve is Deputy Head at St Joseph's RC Primary School in Shaw and has been teaching for 24 years.

Steve takes on immense challenges each year and has raised over £100,000 for good causes. 'Mr Hill's Challenges' have included climbing Mount Everest, trekking in Borneo and marathon running across the North Pole. His charity fundraising always involves the children and over the last few years, his classes have raised over £90,000 for a variety of charities.

Steve gives talks and presentations to a wide range of audiences about his challenges and adventures, his message is 'Dream Big – Aim High and Never Give Up' as he tries and instill an 'I can and I will' mindset with the children.

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Steve is also founder of Team Hill Charitable Trust and is an Ambassador for the Duke of Edinburgh Awards. He has been awarded an MBE for services to Education and Charity – along with multiple other awards including a National Teaching Award, Inspirational Teacher of the Year, National Happiest School Person and Adventurer of the Year.

**Recommendations**

It is recommended that Steve Hill MBE be considered for the nomination for the Civic Appreciation Award 2021. If the Award is approved, the Ceremony will take place prior to the Council meeting on Wednesday 24 March 2021.