

**Current Protocol 5i (relating to Long Service Award only)**

**Long Service Award**

A local scheme to recognise service as a councillor to be implemented without regard to past schemes.

It is given in the form of a framed certificate.

All Councillors with 8 years service or more be awarded Long Service Awards, whether or not they have been given an award in the past.

The awards be given on an annual basis at the last meeting before the Appointments Council in the final year.

For the purposes of determining which Members should be granted Long Service Awards, the same criteria be applied to determine service as that which is applied for the calculation of service for appointment of Mayor. This criteria is outlined in part 5.5 of the Council's Constitution and states that:

"Continuous Service" shall relate to service with the Borough Council and its antecedent Councils, subject:

a) to the provision that broken periods of service separated by a break not exceeding four years and one month shall be aggregated for the purposes of calculating "continuous service";