

# **COUNCIL MINUTES**

**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY 22 JANUARY 2020**



## PRESENT

The Mayor – Councillor Daryl Brown  
Deputy Mayor – Councillor Mercy Umeh

### Councillors:

Colin Aherne	Rebecca Harvey	Patricia Quigley
Adronie Alford	Sharon Holder	Rowan Ree
Victoria Brocklebank-Fowler	Lisa Homan	Lucy Richardson
Andrew Brown	Donald Johnson	Ann Rosenberg
Daryl Brown	Andrew Jones	Alexandra Sanderson
Jonathan Caleb-Landy	Alex Karmel	Max Schmid
Iain Cassidy	Bora Kwon	Asif Siddique
Ben Coleman	Rachel Leighton	Fiona Smith
Adam Connell	Amanda Lloyd-Harris	Frances Stainton
Christabel Cooper	Mark Loveday	Dominic Stanton
Stephen Cowan	Sue Macmillan	Matt Uberoi
Larry Culhane	PJ Murphy	Mercy Umeh
Belinda Donovan	Natalia Perez	Rory Vaughan
Wesley Harcourt	Zarar Qayyum	Guy Vincent

### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Sue Fennimore, David Morton, and Matt Thorely.

Apologies for lateness were received from Councillor Sue Macmillan.

### **2. MAYOR'S/CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

### **3. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

There were no declarations of interest.

#### **4. FREEDOM OF THE BOROUGH**

7.05pm – The report and recommendations were moved for adoption by the Leader of the Council, Councillor Stephen Cowan. Speeches on the report were made by Councillors Stephen Cowan, Ben Coleman, Rory Vaughan, and Patricia Quigley (for the Administration) – and Councillor Andrew Brown (for the Opposition).

After the speeches, the report and recommendations were put to the vote:

<b>FOR</b>	<b>UNANIMOUS</b>
AGAINST	0
NOT VOTING	0

The report and recommendations were declared **CARRIED**.

#### **7.25pm – RESOLVED:**

That the Council confer the “Freedom of the Borough” of the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham” on: -

#### **Michael Mansfield QC**

In recognition of his sterling work and expert insight and analysis as the Chair of the Independent Healthcare Commission for North West London. The Commission’s influential report led to the Government’s abandonment of the closure plans for the existing excellent Charing Cross Hospital and Ealing Hospital which provide crucial health services for some of the most deprived communities across West London.

#### **Dr Stephen Hirst**

In recognition that, as a member of the Independent Healthcare Commission for North West London, he oversaw the gathering of evidence that revealed the paucity of the business case that the NHS relied upon to close crucial hospital services for h&f residents. His medical expertise and in-depth knowledge of the health service was crucial in the analysis of the evidence that resulted in the Government’s abandonment of its closure plans for Charing Cross Hospital and Ealing Hospital.

#### **Dr John Lister**

In recognition that, as a member of the Independent Healthcare Commission for North West London, he oversaw the gathering of evidence that revealed the paucity of the business case that the NHS relied upon to close crucial hospital services for h&f residents. His research skills and in-depth knowledge of health services was crucial in the analysis of the evidence that resulted in the Government’s abandonment of its closure plans for Charing Cross Hospital and Ealing Hospital.

#### **Merril Hammer**

In recognition of her tireless campaigning over many years, as the Chair of Save Our Hospitals, to protect crucial hospital services for the residents of Hammersmith

& Fulham. Save Our Hospitals was the channel through which the people of Hammersmith & Fulham gained a voice against the Government's hospital closure plans. The closure of two hospitals was averted and a national government policy that would have had such a negative impact on the healthcare of Hammersmith & Fulham residents was overturned.

**Anne Drinkell**

In recognition of her tireless campaigning over many years, as the Secretary of Save Our Hospitals, to protect crucial hospital services for the residents of Hammersmith & Fulham. Save Our Hospitals was the channel through which the people of Hammersmith & Fulham gained a voice against the Government's hospital closure plans. The closure of two hospitals was averted and a national government policy that would have had such a negative impact on the healthcare of Hammersmith & Fulham residents was overturned.

**Jim Grealy**

In recognition of his tireless campaigning over many years, as the Assistant Secretary of Save Our Hospitals, to protect crucial hospital services for the residents of Hammersmith & Fulham. Save Our Hospitals was the channel through which the people of Hammersmith & Fulham gained a voice against the Government's hospital closure plans. The closure of two hospitals was averted and a national government policy that would have had such a negative impact on the healthcare of Hammersmith & Fulham residents was overturned.

The Mayor presented a scroll to each of the recipients of the award and they gave speeches thanking the Council for the honour bestowed on them.

Meeting started: 7.00 pm  
Meeting ended: 8.15 pm

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