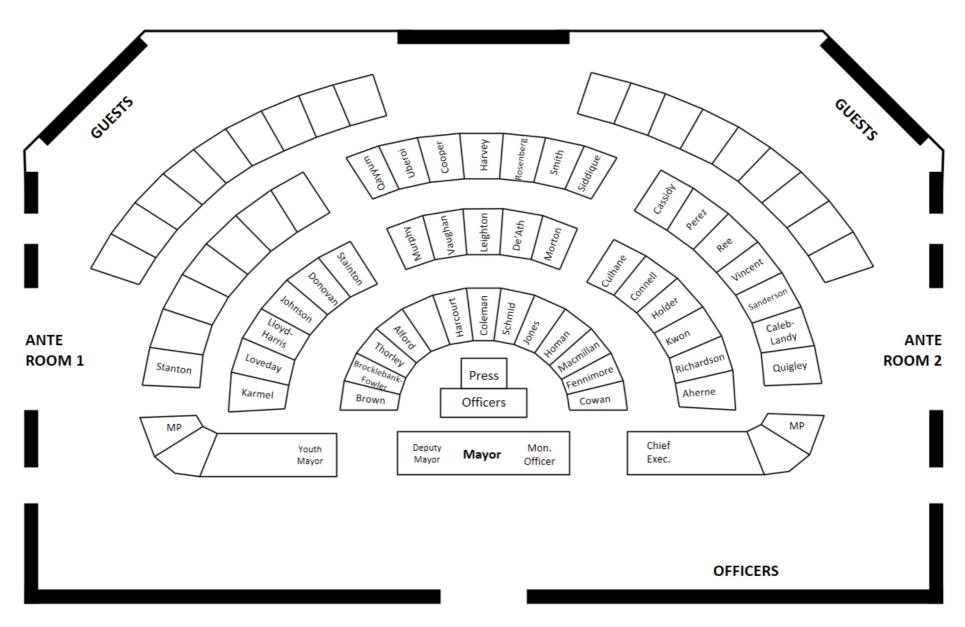


COUNCIL AGENDA

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 27 February 2019

COUNCIL CHAMBER SEATING 2018/19





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

ADDISON	HAMMERSMITH BROADWAY	RAVENSCOURT PARK
Adam Connell (L) Rachel Leighton (L) Sue Fennimore (L)	Stephen Cowan (L) PJ Murphy (L) Patricia Quigley (L)	Jonathan Caleb-Landy (L) Bora Kwon (L) Asif Siddique (L)
<u>ASKEW</u>	MUNSTER	SANDS END
Lisa Homan (L) Rowan Ree (L) Rory Vaughan (L)	Adronie Alford (C) Alex Karmel (C) Dominic Stanton (C)	Lucy Richardson (L) Ann Rosenberg (L) Matt Uberoi (L)
AVONMORE & BROOK GREEN	NORTH END	SHEPHERDS BUSH GREEN
David Morton (L) Rebecca Harvey (L) Fiona Smith (L)	Daryl Brown (L) Larry Culhane (L) Zarar Qayyum (L)	Andrew Jones (L) Natalia Perez (L) Mercy Umeh (L)
COLLEGE PARK & OLD OAK	PALACE RIVERSIDE	TOWN
Alexandra Sanderson (L) Wesley Harcourt (L)	Amanda Lloyd-Harris (C) Donald Johnson (C)	Andrew Brown (C) Belinda Donovan (C) Victoria Brocklebank- Fowler (C)
FULHAM BROADWAY	PARSONS GREEN AND WALHAM	WORMHOLT AND WHITE CITY
Ben Coleman (L) Alan De'Ath (L) Sharon Holder (L)	Matt Thorley (C) Mark Loveday (C) Frances Stainton (C)	Colin Aherne (L) Sue Macmillan (L) Max Schmid (L)
FULHAM REACH		
lain Cassidy (L) Christabel Cooper (L) Guy Vincent (L)		



SUMMONS

Councillors of the London Borough of
Hammersmith & Fulham
are requested to attend the
Meeting of the Council on
Wednesday 27 February 2019
at Hammersmith Town Hall, W6

The Special Council will meet at the rising of the Ordinary Council meeting starting at 7.00pm

19 February 2019 Town Hall Hammersmith W6 Kim Smith
Chief Executive

Full Council Agenda

27 February 2019

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- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
- 2. MAYOR'S/CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ANNOUNCEMENTS
- 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

If a Councillor has a disclosable pecuniary interest in a particular item, whether or not it is entered in the Authority's register of interests, or any other significant interest which they consider should be declared in the public interest, they should declare the existence and, unless it is a sensitive interest as defined in the Member Code of Conduct, the nature of the interest at the commencement of the consideration of that item or as soon as it becomes apparent.

At meetings where members of the public are allowed to be in attendance and speak, any Councillor with a disclosable pecuniary interest or other significant interest may also make representations, give evidence or answer questions about the matter. The Councillor must then withdraw immediately from the meeting before the matter is discussed and any vote taken.

Where Members of the public are not allowed to be in attendance and speak, then the Councillor with a disclosable pecuniary interest should withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is under consideration. Councillors who have declared other significant interests should also withdraw from the meeting if they consider their continued participation in the matter would not be reasonable in the circumstances and may give rise to a perception of a conflict of interest.

Councillors are not obliged to withdraw from the meeting where a dispensation to that effect has been obtained from the Audit, Pensions and Standards Committee.

4. FREEDOM OF THE BOROUGH AND HONORARY ALDERMAN – MR KENNETH MICHAEL CARTWRIGHT JP, FRICS

In recognition of Mr Kenneth Michael Cartwright's achievements and contributions to the wellbeing of the residents of our borough (and across London), the Council is requested to confer on him the "Freedom of the Borough" and the honorary title "Honorary Alderman of the Borough".

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London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham

FULL COUNCIL



27 FEBRUARY 2019

FREEDOM OF THE BOROUGH AND HONORARY ALDERMAN – MR KENNETH MICHAEL CARTWRIGHT JP, FRICS

Report of the Leader of the Council - Councillor Stephen Cowan

Open Report

Classification: For Decision

Key Decision: No

Wards Affected: All

Accountable Director: Hitesh Jolapara – Strategic Director, Finance and Governance

Report Author: Kayode Adewumi, Head of Governance and Scrutiny

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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1. In recognition of Mr Kenneth Michael Cartwright's achievements and contributions to the wellbeing of the residents of our borough (and across London), the Council is requested to confer on him the "Freedom of the Borough" and the honorary title "Honorary Alderman of the Borough".

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 That the Council confer the "Freedom of the Borough" and title "Honorary Alderman of the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham" on Mr Kenneth Michael Cartwright JP, FRICS in recognition of selflessly serving the residents of this Council for 26 years and acting as a community champion for the area.

3. REASONS FOR DECISION

3.1 Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009) allows the Council to confer the titles "honorary aldermen" or "honorary alderwomen", on "persons who have, in the opinion of the council, rendered eminent services to the council as past members of that council, but who are not then members of the Council."

- 3.2. The Act also enables the Council to admit to be honorary freemen or honorary freewomen of the place or area for which it is the authority to (a) persons of distinction, and (b) persons who have, in the opinion of the authority, rendered eminent services to that place or area.
- 3.3 The Council considers that Mr Cartwright is worthy of both honours.

4. BACKGROUND

- 4.1 The conferring of the Freedom of the Borough is the highest civic distinction that can be bestowed upon individuals, considered to be persons of distinction, in recognition of outstanding service to the Council's area.
- 4.2 The Council may confer the title of honorary aldermen or honorary alderwomen on persons who have, in the opinion of the council, rendered eminent services to the council as past members of that council, but who are not currently serving on the council.
- 4.2 The Leader of the Council wrote to the Mayor with the support of the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Patricia Quigley, Councillor PJ Murphy, Councillor Colin Aherne, Andy Slaughter MP, Kevin McGrath OBE DL (Deputy Lieutenant), Rosemary Pettit (former Mayoress), and Mary Smith (local resident) supporting the request that the Freedom of the Borough be granted to Mr Kenneth Michael Cartwright. Details of their support is attached as Appendix 1.

5. REASONS FOR THE AWARD

- 5.1 Mr Kenneth Michael Cartwright has been a dedicated public servant throughout his life, being an advocate for more open government and public involvement in decision-making, while supporting and delivering justice through his peerless service as a local magistrate.
- 5.2 He was elected as a Hammersmith Broadway ward Councillor in 1992 a position he held for 26 years (1992 to 2018). Prior to this, he was an Ipswich Borough Councillor for 12 years, and a Suffolk County Councillor for 5 years.
- 5.3 He was the Cabinet Member for the Environment in the former Labour administration for many years and became the Deputy Leader of the Opposition in 2006. He served on the planning and licensing committees for many years. His diligent attention to detail was invaluable to the planning committee, in considering the Earls Court and West Kensington redevelopment plans the largest regeneration project in Europe. He has been a powerful advocate for residents in relation to the planning system and has fought hard to give them as much involvement as possible in the process. He has also helped give local people an increased role in decision-making, making it possible for local people and residents groups to speak at council meetings.
- 5.4 In 2014, he became the Deputy Leader until 2017. He ended his local government political career as the Mayor of the Borough during the 2017/18 municipal year. During his time on the Council, he served our local residents

- and businesses with diligence and hard-work, carrying out regular surgeries, dealing with thousands of people's casework. He dedicated his time to serving all in our community from different walks of life.
- 5.5 He has been an enthusiastic and supportive governor of three schools in the borough since 1992: Flora Gardens Primary School, Sacred Heart High School, Larmenier and Sacred Heart Primary School. He has also provided dedicated public service as one of the Council's representative to the Mortlake Crematorium Board from 2004 to 2018, having chaired the Board for 9 years. He also served on the Western Riverside Waste Authority.
- 5.6 In 2016, he stepped down as Bench Chairman at Hammersmith Magistrates Court, after 13 years as a magistrate. He was also Deputy Chairman of Central London Magistrates, covering the three merged benches of West London, City of Westminster, and City of London. He was admired by many in local legal circles as a fair and wise Chairman and will be much missed.
- 5.7 During his time on the Bench, he was a strong supporter of moves towards a locally accessible justice system for all; and was judged to have good character, understanding and communication, social awareness, maturity and temperament, sound judgement and commitment and reliability. He gave a great deal of his free time to the Bench, in excess of the day-to-day requirements of sitting in court and was a great supporter of the Specialist Domestic Violence Court at Hammersmith Magistrates Court. He continued to fight for the future of the court, even after stepping down from the Bench.
- 5.9 His courts and council work coincided in his dedicated support for the Impact project, offering advocacy and support for victims and those at risk of domestic violence: the future of which he helped to secure through council funding, when it was under-threat of closure.
- 5.10 In recognition of his achievements, it is recommended that the Mr Kenneth Michael Cartwright JP, FRICS be bestowed the honour Freeman of the Borough and Honorary Title Alderman of the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Section 249(1) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009) requires a Council by resolution passed by not less than two-thirds of the members at a meeting of the Council, specially convened for the purpose with notice of the object, to admit 'persons who have, in the opinion of the Council, rendered eminent services to the borough' as "honorary aldermen" or "honorary alderwoman".
- 6.2 Section 249(5) of the same Act enables the Council to admit an honorary freemen or honorary freewomen of its area persons of distinction and persons who have in the Council's opinion rendered eminent services to the area.

Implications completed by: Rhian Davies, Assistant Director of Law and Democratic Services 07827 663794

7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 The cost of a small reception for the friends and family of Mr Cartwright after the Council meeting would be met from the existing Mayor's budget. There are no additional financial implications of conferring the "Freedom of the Borough" and title "Honorary Alderman of the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham" on an individual.
- 7.2 Implications completed by: Kayode Adewumi, Head of Governance and Scrutiny, tel: 020 8753 2499
- 7.3 Implications verified by: Emily Hill, Assistant Director, Corporate Finance, tel: 020 8753 3145

8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1. It is not anticipated that there will be any negative impact on any groups with protected characteristics, under the terms of the Equality Act 2010, from the conference of these titles.
- 8.2. Implications completed by: Peter Smith, Head of Policy & Strategy, tel: 020 8753 2206

9. BUSINESS IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1. There are no business implications.
- 9.2. Implications completed by: Kayode Adewumi, Head of Governance and Scrutiny, tel: 020 8753 2499

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2000 BACKGROUND PAPERS USED IN PREPARING THIS REPORT

None.

Councillor Stephen Cowan

Leader of the London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham Hammersmith Town Hall, London W6 9JU



5 February 2019

Councillor Daryl Brown Mayor of the London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham Hammersmith Town Hall London W6 9JU

Dear Madam Mayor

I am pleased to propose the award of Freedom of the Borough and to confer the title "Honorary Aldermen" on former Mayor Kenneth Michael Cartwright in recognition of his achievements and public service which has hugely benefitted our council, and the residents of our borough and across London.

Mike first got elected as an Ipswich Borough Councillor, when he was just 23 years old. He served in that role for 12 years. He then moved on to serve for 5 years on Suffolk County Council.

Mike was elected as a Hammersmith Broadway ward Councillor in 1992 – a position he held for 26 years. During that time Mike served our local residents and businesses with diligence and hard-work, carrying out regular surgeries, dealing with thousands of people's casework and dedicating his time to serving all in our community, from all different walks of life.

Mike served on the Planning Committee nearly all his time as councillor. As a chartered surveyor Mike was our local expert bringing his extensive knowledge of planning to that role.

Mike has been an enthusiastic and supportive governor of two schools in the borough since 1992; Sacred Heart School, and Larmenier and Sacred Heart Primary School.

Mike's influence as a leader was beyond the boundaries of our local Council. He chaired the Mortlake Crematorium Board for 9 years. He served on the Western Riverside Waste Authority where he spotlighted that organisation's failings and was a positive force for change.

Mike was a local magistrate for 13 years where he worked hard to ensure that the people within the criminal justice system received the best service. His exceptional grasp of legal matters and his people skills projected him to Chair of the Bench. He had a particular interest in tackling domestic violence and the plight of women as women often go through a horrendous court situation. During his time on the bench, Mike was a long-term supporter of the specialist domestic violence court in Hammersmith Magistrates Court. He made sure people were properly dealt with and supported in such a way that the work in Hammersmith became an example for other courts across the country.



Mike was the Chair of the Association of London Government (now London Councils) Environment Committee for many years – shaping the policies which affect the lives of many Londoners today and being central to maintaining the Freedom Pass and bringing in a new rule giving equality to men and women so both received the Freedom Pass when they reached their 60th birthday.

Mike was the Cabinet Member for the Environment in the former Labour administration for many years. He became Deputy Leader of the Opposition in 2006.

In 2014 Mike was elected as the Deputy Leader of the Council. He had responsibility for crime and policing – introducing new funding to deliver the largest number of council-funded police in the borough's history at a time of huge government cuts to police funding. Mike stepped down from that position in 2017 to become the Mayor.

I have known Mike Cartwright for 24 years. His contributions to the local community, the Labour Group, this Council and London are beyond compare. I know he made many friends across our borough and won the respect of many more. I think it's fair to say we are all very proud of Mike and everything he achieved. He is a good man who has dedicated his life to public service. I am therefore delighted to propose this honour for Kenneth Michael Cartwright.

Yours sincerely



Leader of the London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham

CC

- Clir Mercy Umeh, Deputy Mayor of the London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham
- Cllr. Sue Fennimore, Deputy Leader of the London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham
- Cllr Colin Aherne, Chief Whip for the London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham
- Andy Slaughter, Member of Parliament for Hammersmith
- Kevin McGrath OBE, Deputy Lieutenant for the London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham
- Kim Smith, Chief Executive of the London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham
- **Kayode Adewumi**, Head of Scrutiny and Governance for the London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham
- Rosemary Pettit, Former Mayoress of the London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham

LETTERS OF SUPPORT

Deputy Mayor Councillor Mercy Umeh

Dear Madam Mayor,

I am writing to support granting of the Freedom of the Borough to former Mayor Michael Cartwright. I believe this is the highest honour that a Council can bestow on an individual.

I have known Mike since 2002 as a co-councillor. He acted as my mentor when I joined the council showing me the ropes. Throughout his tenure as a Councillor on the planning committee particularly as a Chair, he was quick to respond to all my queries assisting numerous residents over many years. Come rain, snow or sunshine, he never missed any of the Remembrance Sunday services at Shepherd Bush. This is a big tribute to him.

He was kind to all people he met. A man dedicated to his work as a councillor, school governor and magistrate. He had a took great interest in the welfare of our residents resulting in a very large caseload. As a school governor, he was enthusiastic and very supportive of Sacred Heart School, and Larmenier and Sacred Heart Primary School. He also provided dedicated public service as a Magistrate and the Chair of Mortlake Crematorium from 2004 to 2018.

Warm Regards,

Cllr Mercy Umeh Shepherds Bush Green Wards

Councillor Patricia Quigley

Dear Madam Mayor,

I am very happy to support the Leader of the Council in his suggestion that the former Mayor of Hammersmith and Fulham, Kenneth Michael Cartwright be awarded the Freedom of the Borough and be given the title "Honorary Aldermen" in recongnition of all his achievements and his service to public duty, he really has done so much which has benefitted so many people in the borough and beyond.

It was a hounor and privilege be elected as councillor for Hammersmith Broadway Ward when Mike retired in May 2018. It was great to see councillors from all parties, as well as council officers, and members of the public give him the standing ovation that he truly deserved, and I could see the affection he is held in.

He was my ward councillor for 26 years, I first met him at a local function in 1998, when I along with other local residents were fighting a hideous development, he fully supported us in the community, little did I think nearly 20 years later that I would be following in his footsteps.

Although I don't know Mike as well as Steve and PJ do, I have read what they have written about him, and I am truly amazed by the contributions he made to pubic life, he really is someone who you can say served the public to the best of his ability, and I have no doubt that there were times where he went above and beyond the call of duty.

Kenneth Michael Cartwright epitomises the role of Councillor and Mayor and I am very proud and delighted to say he deserves to be given this honour and recognition.

Your sincerely Patricia Quigley

Cllr. Patricia Quigley

Hammersmith Broadway Ward

Councillor PJ Murphy

Dear Madam Mayor,

I am pleased to support the Leader of the Council in proposing that Mike Cartwright be conferred with the honour of the award of Freedom of the Borough and to conferred with the title 'Honorary Aldermen' in recognition of his achievements and public service which has hugely benefitted our council, and the residents of our borough and the wider London community.

You will have witnessed the extraordinary scenes when Councillors of all political persuasions, along with officers, gave Mike a prolonged standing ovation when he stood down last year. To say he is universally respected and admired doesn't do full justice to the affection and esteem he is held in.

As you know Mike stood down for health reasons and at all the residents association meetings I subsequently attended I was constantly asked how he was and how people could help.

I was touched by the wide variety of people who mentioned how Mike had helped them and just how much he would be missed.

Two in particular come to mind, one resident at the Queen Caroline Estate Tenant's Association told me that Mike was personally responsible for ensuring she was properly housed when she left an abusive relationship and, at The Brackenbury Resident's Association, one of his fellow magistrates described how he tempered justice with sensitivity when deciding upon and communicating sentencing decisions.

He was genuinely loved and appreciated not just his residents but by all who came into contact with him.

I first joined Mike and Steve as a Hammersmith Broadway councillor in 2010. It's no exaggeration to say he was a role model to me and I benefited greatly from his wise council and care for his constituents.

All councillors owe a debt of gratitude to the wisdom, foresight and sense of civic duty Mike provided.

He exemplified exactly what it means to be a Councillor.

I can think of nobody better suited to this honour.

Yours sincerely

PJ Murphy

Hammersmith Broadway Ward

Andy Slaughter MP

Dear Mayor Daryl,

May I add my support to the Leader's proposal. Mike has given almost 50 years of the highest public service and I can think of no one who currently merits these honours more.

Andy Slaughter MP

Kevin McGrath OBE DL



Dear Madam Mayor,

I am please to confirm my full and whole-hearted support for this proposal from the Leader of the Council.

Kind Regards

Kevin

Kevin McGrath OBE DL Representative Deputy Lieutenant

Councillor Colin Aherne

Dear Madam Mayor,

I fully support the recommendation by Cllr Stephen Cowan, Leader of the Council to award Mike Cartwright the Freedom of the Borough and to appoint him as an Honorary Alderman as I believe that there is no one more deserving of these honours than Mike Cartwright.

Regards,

Colin Aherne

Mary Smith (Local Resident)

Dear Madam Mayor,

I would like to support everything that PJ has said.

When PJ and I first became involved with the local Labour Party, Mike was always a reassuring presence, and we knew that he would always be a friend.

I know Mike best from when he first became ill in approximately 2011. He was steadfast in the face of this adversity, and took nothing for granted. Even then his constituents' welfare came first, and he was unwavering in his support of the local community.

I remember canvassing with Mike in the 2014 council election campaign. Although Mike found such activity tiring and painful because of the effects of his illness, his conscience would not allow him to step back and let us canvas on his behalf. He was always determined to give his best.

Overall, Mike is a thoroughly decent man, who deserves recognition.

Thank you for your consideration.

Mary Smith