

London Borough of Islington

**Awards Council - 18 October 2021**

Minutes of the meeting of the Awards Council held at Council Chamber, Town Hall, Upper Street, N1 2UD on 18 October 2021 at 7.00 pm.

**Present:**      **Councillors:**      Bell-Bradford, Clarke, Graham, Hyde, Khondoker, Khurana, Lukes, Nathan, Woolf, Burgess, Chowdhury, Gallagher, Hamitouche, Ismail, Comer-Schwartz, Spall, Russell, Heather, Jeapes, Kay, Ngongo, O'Halloran, Poyser, Shaikh, Turan, Ward, Wayne, Williamson, Bossman-Quarshie, Gilgunn, Ibrahim, Jackson, North and Ozdemir

**The Mayor (Councillor Troy Gallagher) in the Chair**

**1      APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Item 1)**

The Mayor explained that not all members could attend because the capacity of the Council Chamber had been reduced to accommodate social distancing measures.

**2      DECLARATION OF INTERESTS (Item 2)**

None.

**3      PRESENTATION OF THE FREEDOM OF THE BOROUGH (Item 3)**

Councillor Comer-Schwartz moved the motion. Councillor Ward seconded.

Councillors Hyde, Ibrahim, Williamson, Khondoker, Burgess, Russell and Ismail spoke in support of the motion.

The Roll of Honorary Freepersons was signed by Jennette Arnold OBE, Sue Seifert on behalf of Yvonne Conolly CBE, Alex Ewings on behalf of the London Ambulance Service NHS Trust, and Siobhan Harrington on behalf of Whittington Health NHS Trust.

The Mayor presented framed Freedom Scrolls, verifying the admission of Jennette Arnold OBE, Yvonne Conolly CBE, the London Ambulance Service NHS Trust, and Whittington Health NHS Trust, as Freepersons. Those accepting the scrolls addressed the Council and expressed their thanks for the award of the honour.

**RESOLVED:**

That, by virtue of the power vested in it by Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council does admit Jennette Arnold OBE, posthumously admit Yvonne Conolly CBE, and admit the London Ambulance Service NHS Trust and Whittington Health NHS Trust as Honorary Freepersons of the London Borough of Islington in recognition of their major and unique contribution made to the life of the Borough.

The meeting ended at 8.20 pm

**CHAIR**