

PRESS RELEASE

Flying the flag for Commonwealth Day

Loughton Town Council was delighted to play its part in the international celebrations which will see over 730 Commonwealth Flags raised across the world on Monday 14 March 2016.

Councillors and town council staff took part in the short ceremony to show appreciation for the values the Commonwealth upholds, and the opportunities offered for friendship and cooperation with fellow Commonwealth citizens around the world.

Town Mayor, Judy Jennings read out the specially written Commonwealth Affirmation before the Commonwealth Flag was raised outside the council offices in Rectory Lane.

Note to editor:

Commonwealth Affirmation:

"Joining together as members of one worldwide Commonwealth community, and valuing the personal dignity and worth of every citizen, we raise this flag as a symbol of the ties of kinship and affinity that we cherish. We draw inspiration from our diversity, and the opportunities for working together, as a rich source of wisdom and a powerful influence for good in the world.

We affirm our commitment to upholding the values set out in the Commonwealth Charter, to serving one another in a spirit of respect and understanding, and to advancing development, democracy and cooperation locally, nationally, and internationally."

http://www.flyaflagforthecommonwealth.co.uk/index.php

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