

## **Vote of thanks for Mayor of Merton – Cllr Brenda Fraser**

Madame Mayor it gives me great pleasure to second this vote of thanks to Cllr Brenda Fraser for her dedicated service to our Borough for the Municipal year 2016 to 2017.

Cllr Fraser has been a great supporter of health & wellbeing and that was her focus over her year and with her chosen charities – Age UK Merton and Avanti.

I would also like to endorse the thanks paid to her Principal Consort plus her daughter and Consort Gillian for their work too over the Mayoral year. I must also pay tribute to the outgoing Deputy Mayor Stan Anderson and his wife Jennifer. The Mayoral team ably supported by Carole, Steve and Carl have attended around 400 engagements which is a tremendous achievement.

Our group have been pleased to support the many fund-raising events held by the Mayor for her charities and I myself have particularly enjoyed the Christmas Dinner, the winter warmer celebration of Merton Music and her Jamaican Afro-Caribbean night. It was also a fun moment to both attend the wonderful Thank You party for the Mayor's charities and supporting organisations whilst also supporting my husband Tom's Rock Choir performance at it!

The icing on the cake was the excellent Ball at the All England Club, which I am pleased that members of our Group both supported and actively helped with the fundraising for it.

Madame Mayor I know I speak for our whole Group in thanking Cllr Fraser for her dedicated work over her year for which she can indeed be proud and I endorse the citation.

Councillor Oonagh Moulton

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