

**Cllr Anthony Fairclough speech in support of the nomination of Cllr Janice Howard for Mayor of Merton**

Thank you Madam Mayor, I just had some brief comments of welcome and best wishes from the Liberal Democrat group for Councillor Janice Howard and her nomination to that of Mayor this year. I simply wanted to say what's been very obvious to us is that Janice has a lightness of touch and an ability to work cross-party and that she's shown through the cultural group and Film Merton that we welcome.

Welcome and best of luck to Janice and her consorts. Thank you.

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