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Pearl Clark,

24th October 2014

RE: Town Councils & 'Fly a Flag for the Commonwealth - 9th March 2015'.

At 10.00 a.m. on the 10th March 2014 - Commonwealth Day this year, more than 500 Commonwealth Flags were raised together throughout the United Kingdom, Channel Island and the Isle of Man, by local authorities and a small number of others, with Her Majesty The Queen as Head of the Commonwealth, 'breaking' the final flag outside the Great West Door of Westminster Abbey, London, before attending the annual Commonwealth Observance Service.

The event was an enormous success which bodes well for the future, especially as from the 9th March - Commonwealth Day 2015, the event is to become an annual occasion growing in size and stature over the next few years involving all the 53 Countries of the Commonwealth in common celebration of this great family of nations and territories that encompasses the globe.

For the event in 2015, all those that took part this year will be participating next year, and the organisers would like to encourage the involvement of all town councils in England and Wales in this unique event. (Parish councils will be offered the chance to become involved in 2016, as they wish to grow the project slowly over the next few years).

The 2015 Guide To Taking Part in this event can be found at www.flyaflagforthecommonwealth.com to provide you with an overview of what took place this year, and the plans for Commonwealth Day 2015.

You can purchase your 90" x 54" Commonwealth flag direct from the events official supplier, JW Plant and Co Ltd, 39 Ashley Road, Leeds LS9 7AJ. A CD with the Commonwealth Anthem will be sent with each flag to enable those participating to play it during the raising of their flag at 10.00 a.m. on Monday 9th March 2015, to add to the occasion.

Due to the fact that this is to become an annual event, once you have purchased your Commonwealth flag, it can be used for many years to come so please look at it as a small investment for the future. The flag can be flown from your Town Hall, a local church tower, or another central location within your community.



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I therefore highly recommend this project to you, along with encouraging you to take part, and ask you to complete the online Registration Form found at www.flyafLAGfortheCommonwealth.com as soon as possible, or by no later than the 31st January 2015, to enable the organisers to list your involvement in the 2015 Guide as it is updated over the next few months, as well as informing the media of your participation closer to the time.

Kind regards

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Your Local Member of Parliament