

Confronting Lies about the Residents' Association

The Conservatives have put out leaflets in Romford saying that we voted against flying the Union Flag at the Town Hall in 2003. It is a lie.

Below are the minutes of the full Council meeting on 3rd August 2003 which clearly show that all parties unanimously agreed to the motion to fly the flag. It was not debated or voted on as all parties agreed.

“37 FLAG FLYING AT THE TOWN HALL (Agenda Item 3)

Motion by the Administration

That, with immediate effect, the flag of the Cross of St George be flown at all times at the Town Hall on the flagpole to the left of the Union Flag, with the Borough flag flown at all times, to the right.

Procedural Motion (Agenda Item 3i)

That Council consent to the Administration amending its motion under Item 3 (Flying the Flag at the Town Hall)

Administration amendment (Agenda Item 3ii)

Add “except on national or other official flag days, eg St David’s Day, Merchant Navy Day, or during official twin town visits”

The procedural motion and the motion, as amended, were AGREED without debate or a vote and it was –

RESOLVED

That, with immediate effect, the flag of the Cross of St George be flown at all times at the Town Hall on the flagpole to the left of the Union Flag, with the Borough flag flown at all times, to the right except on national or other official flag days, eg St David’s Day, Merchant Navy Day, or during official twin town visits”



Elm Park Ward

Stephanie, Barry and Julie’s fathers were in the Navy, Army and RAF respectively and all three are members of the Elm Park Royal British Legion. Barry has been Chairman of the Elm Park RBL for 10 years and said:

“The Residents Association will always support flying the Union Flag to show support for our Queen, our country, service personnel, ex-service personnel and their dependents.”