

Freedom of the Borough of
MIDDLESBROUGH

**HMS MARLBOROUGH
AND
MRS ALMA COLLIN**



Local Government Act 1972

Admission to the

*Honorary Freedom
of the Borough*

**HMS MARLBOROUGH
AND
MRS ALMA COLLIN**

at 11.00 am on Wednesday 15th March 2000

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

On Wednesday 15th March 2000, Middlesbrough Council will confer the Freedom of the Borough upon HMS Marlborough and Mrs Alma Collin.

It seems appropriate that they both receive this award together as they have a mutual dependence upon and respect for water in their service to the town. They also share the highest levels of professionalism and strive always to achieve excellence in all that they do, knowing that our town and its people deserve no less.

Alma Collin has worked tirelessly over the years to provide swimming lessons for disabled people and has played a major role in the annual fund-raising Swimathon event. HMS Marlborough, a Type 23 Frigate, has combined its role in the defence of our country with the promotion of our town in places where even the Riverside Stadium is an unfamiliar venue.

It gives me great pleasure on behalf of the town to wish Alma Collin, Captain Rix, the officers and crew of HMS Marlborough congratulations on this very special occasion and best wishes for the future.

THE MAYOR

Councillor Michael J Carr

Order of Proceedings on the admission of

**HMS Marlborough
and
Mrs Alma Collin**

to the Honorary Freedom of the Borough
on Wednesday, 15th March 2000 at Eleven O'Clock

1. The Members of the Council and the Guests will be seated in the Council Chamber Middlesbrough prior to 11.00am.
2. The Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor Michael J Carr) preceded by the Mace will take his seat.
3. The Mayor will call upon the Chief Executive to read the Notice convening the special meeting of the Council.
4. The Mayor will call upon Councillor Oliver Johnson to propose and Councillor John Jones to second a Resolution to admit HMS Marlborough to the Honorary Freedom of the Borough.
5. After the Resolution has been proposed and seconded it may be spoken to by other Members of the Council.
6. The Mayor will call upon Councillor Ken Walker to propose and Councillor Sylvia Connolly to second a Resolution to admit Mrs Alma Collin to the Honorary Freedom of the Borough.
7. After the Resolution has been proposed and seconded it may be spoken to by other Members of the Council.
8. The Mayor will put the Resolutions to the Meeting, and after the same have been declared carried, the Chief Executive will read the Oath of the Freeman as follows:

"Will you, Alma Collin, swear to be true to our Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth II, Her Heirs and Successors, as a free and franchised person of this Borough?"

Will you preserve the peace and tranquility of the said Borough, and will you disclose to the Mayor for the time being details of any unlawful meetings or assemblies which come to your attention?

Will you do all in your power to contribute to the good government and safety of the said Borough and the inhabitants thereof?

Will you also defend the customs and privileges of the Borough in every just and lawful cause?"

“SO HELP YOU GOD”.

7. Mrs Alma Collin will signify acceptance of the Oath by replying, **“I WILL.”**
The Mayor will then invite Mrs Alma Collin to sign a copy of the Oath and invite both Mrs Alma Collin and the Captain of HMS Marlborough to Sign the Roll of Admissions of Freedom. The Signatures will be witnessed by the Mayor and the Chief Executive.
8. After the signing of the Roll, the Mayor will present a sealed and illuminated framed copy of the resolution inscribed on vellum, and will offer congratulations on behalf of the Council and People of the Borough.
9. The Mayoress will present a bouquet to Mrs Alma Collin.
10. Mrs Alma Collin and Captain Rix of HMS Marlborough will reply.
11. The Head of Local Democracy Unit will report the receipt of any communications.
12. At the conclusion of the formal proceedings, the Mayor will leave the Council Chamber.
13. An Invitation is extended to the Members of the Council and Guests to then adjourn to the Boulevard to watch the Freedom Parade and then to Lunch to be held in the International Centre.



Whereas at an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council of the Borough of Middlesbrough convened in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 and held in the Council Chamber in the said Borough on the Fifteenth Day of March Two Thousand,

It was Unanimously Resolved that the Council do confer upon

Mrs Alma Collin

The Honorary Freedom of the Borough in acknowledgement and grateful recognition of four decades of Service to the local community; in particular her voluntary work with disabled people of all ages for whom she has organised and led swimming classes throughout these years.

Her work has allowed hundreds of disabled people to enjoy a more active social life and has contributed greatly to their welfare and self-esteem. She has also been a tireless fund-raiser for many local causes including the annual Swimathon event.

Mrs Collin's achievements have been recognised by the medical profession and her fellow citizens and through Honours conferred on her in the USA, Italy and Germany.

Given under the Common Seal

Mayor

Chief Executive



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It was Unanimously Resolved that the Council do confer upon

HMS Marlborough

The Honorary Freedom of the Borough in recognition of the special place which she occupies in the hearts of the people of Middlesbrough, the Council grants to Her Majesty's Ship Marlborough the Freedom of Entry into the Borough and the privilege, honour and distinction of marching through the streets of Middlesbrough on ceremonial occasions with colours flying, bayonets fixed, drums beating and bands playing.

Given under the Common Seal

Mayor

Chief Executive

MEMBERS of the COUNCIL

The Worshipful the Mayor • Councillor Michael J Carr
The Deputy Mayor • Councillor K Bevington

Councillor M Barker
Councillor I Berryman
Councillor S.E. Bloundele
Councillor R.K. Brady
Councillor D Budd
Councillor M Carr
Councillor S Cass
Councillor G.B. Clark JP
Councillor J.G. Cole
Councillor G Connolly
Councillor S Connolly
Councillor B Coppinger
Councillor E Dryden
Councillor Y.M. Ellis
Councillor W Ferrier MBE
Councillor L.J.H. Garrett
Councillor F Gill
Councillor E Grace
Councillor S Grace
Councillor K Hall
Councillor K.J. Hall
Councillor A Hamid
Councillor J Ismail
Councillor O Johnson JP
Councillor J Jones
Councillor W.J.R. Kerr
Councillor A Lancaster
Councillor E Lancaster
Councillor R Lowes
Councillor T Mawston JP
Councillor F McIntyre
Councillor J.E. McPartland
Councillor J Michna
Councillor C.B. Morrish
Councillor Mrs H Pearson OBE
Councillor Miss G Pople
Councillor P Porley
Councillor R Regan
Councillor C Robson
Councillor M Saysell
Councillor R Smith
Councillor B.E Taylor
Councillor Mrs J. Taylor
Councillor Mrs B Thompson
Councillor P Thompson
Councillor K Walker
Councillor N.J. Walker
Councillor Mrs P Walker
Councillor T Ward
Councillor M Williams
Councillor L Wilson



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