

<b>COUNCIL</b>		
<b>Report Title</b>	Announcements or Communications	
<b>Key Decision</b>		Item No.
<b>Ward</b>	n/a	
<b>Contributors</b>	Chief Executive	
<b>Class</b>	Part 1	Date: January 18 2017

## **Recommendation**

The Council is invited to receive any announcements or communications from the Mayor or the Chief Executive.

### **1. Charlottenburg**

On December 19 2016, twelve people were murdered by a terrorist in our twin town of Charlottenburg in Berlin. In response to the outrage, the Mayor sent a letter of condolence to his counterpart in Charlottenburg-Wilmersdorf and the German flag was flown at half mast outside the Town Hall as a mark of respect.

### **2. Holocaust Memorial**

Since the creation of Holocaust Memorial Day in 2001, this Council has marked the HMDay working closely with the Catford and Bromley synagogue.

Councillor Pauline Morrison chairs the Holocaust Memorial Committee who plan the Council's annual event. As usual the content will reflect the theme for this year which is "How can life go on". The commemoration event will take place on Sunday January 29 at 3p.m. at the Rivoli ballroom, in Crofton Park.

The Reverend David Rome, the Minister at the Catford & Bromley synagogue, will speak and the Cantonal Choir will sing a few appropriate songs led by the Minister of Catford and Bromley Synagogue, the Reverend David Rome, who will then say a few words and light a candle in memory of all those who died as a result of the Holocaust. Members and guests will be asked to stand and observe a period of silence.

### **3. New Years Honours List**

The Council is pleased to report the following awards made in the Queen's New Years Honours list to persons with a Lewisham connection:

MBE - Tracey Kim Gafoor – for voluntary services to the Stephen Lawrence Charitable Trust.

MBE - Beverley Glean – IRIE Dance Director - for services to the promotion of African and Caribbean Dance.

CBE - Andrew Christie -former Lewisham social work team manager in Deptford and most recently Director of Children's Services at tri-borough.