

BIRTHDAY HONOURS 2017
DIPLOMATIC SERVICE AND OVERSEAS LIST
NOTES ON HIGHER AWARDS

D/KCMG

Shan Elizabeth MORGAN CMG

Former Deputy Permanent Representative, UK Representation to the European Union. For services to the UK's interests in the European Union

Shan Morgan is honoured for her strong record and significant contribution to both foreign and domestic policy. Her recent achievements included promoting and defending UK interests in the European Union on a wide range of portfolios with high impact for UK business and the public sector including the single market, energy, climate change, transport, environment, labour law, fisheries reform, telecoms and social affairs. This honour also recognises her previous achievements as the British Ambassador in Argentina where she promoted and defended UK interests

Jonathan Michael Howard FAULL

Former Director General in the European Commission. For services to UK relations with the European Union

Jonathan Faull is recommended for his long and distinguished career in the European Commission which saw him rise to its highest levels in four different Director General roles. He was, until his retirement in January 2017, the most senior British Commission official and was hugely influential in a number of areas, including the development of the European Union Justice and Home Affairs policy and financial policy, as well as taking on a pastoral role for the 1,200 British nationals working at the Commission. A highly accomplished international lawyer, he is considered to be one of the most outstanding Britons of his generation working on European matters

DBE

Barbara Mary Frost

Former Chief Executive, WaterAid. For services to the provision of safe water, sanitation and hygiene in developing countries

Barbara Frost is honoured for her work, commitment and leadership in making the world a better place through the provision of safe water, hygiene and sanitation. Over the past 12 years as Chief Executive of WaterAid she has led the development of the charity to further raise the importance and profile of water, hygiene and sanitation in the aid and development sectors both nationally and internationally. Originally established by the UK water industry, WaterAid is now a global charity with strong UK wide support. With Barbara's inspirational leadership it has seen lives transformed and become recognised worldwide as a trusted name.

KBE

The Rt Hon Stephen Rothwell O'BRIEN

Former United Nations Under-Secretary General for Humanitarian Affairs & Emergency Relief Co-ordinator. For services to the United Nations and humanitarian affairs

Stephen O'Brien is recommended for his achievements and commitment to international development, culminating in his role in leading the UN's response to humanitarian emergencies in 40 countries and assistance to 65 million people forced to leave their homes by conflict, persecution and natural disasters over the last two years. He has also led the work to strengthen the international community's response to humanitarian crises. He has been the most senior Briton at the United Nations and the recommendation also recognises his earlier achievements as Parliamentary Under Secretary at the Department for International Development and as the Prime Minister's Special Representative for the Sahel.

Knight Bachelor

Frank P Lowy AC

Chairman, Westfield Corporation. For services to business and philanthropy

Frank Lowy is recommended for his contribution to the UK economy through the company he founded, Westfield Corporation, and its major investments in the UK. The group has opened Europe's two largest urban shopping centres, Westfield London and Westfield Stratford and has recently submitted planning application for a new one billion pound plus retail development in Croydon which will create thousands more jobs. He has also been involved in a number of philanthropic activities in the UK including with the Cabinet Office War Rooms, the Imperial War Museum and the Victoria and Albert museum

Trevor Pears CMG

Executive Chairman of the Pears Family Charitable Foundation. For services to philanthropy

Trevor Pears is honoured for his philanthropic work in the UK and overseas. The Pears Family Charitable Foundation has donated £100 million in the past ten years and Trevor Pears has dedicated himself full time to philanthropy and running the foundation. The foundation has worked with over 250 grantees, a quarter of which have received funding for five years or more. Areas covered include Holocaust education and anti-Semitism, youth social action through their funding of the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme, and funding for other youth groups. Activities overseas have included Project Darfur which galvanised the Jewish community's response to the crisis in Darfur. He was also one of the main instigators of the Britain Israel Research and Academic Exchange Partnership which is one of the mainstays of the UK/Israel bilateral relationship.