The Officer Commanding, the Officers and Other Ranks, Royal Air Force, St. Athan

Greetings

Whereas the Council of a District having the status of a Borough may, in pursuance of the powers conferred by Section 249 of the Local Government Act, 1972, admit to be Honorary Freemen of the Borough persons of distinction and persons who have, in the opinion of the Council, rendered eminent services to the Borough.

And whereas Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second has by Charter conferred on the District of Vale of Glamorgan the status of a Borough.

And whereas the Council of the Borough of Vale of Glamorgan, at a specially convened meeting held on the Twenty-second day of April One thousand nine hundred and seventy-four, duly resolved to admit to be Honorary Freemen of the Borough the Officer Commanding, the Officers and Other Ranks of Royal Air Force serving at St. Athan, in grateful recognition and appreciation of the sterling services of Royal Air Force to the Nation in World War II and of the friendly assistance and co-operation given since the establishment of the Station to the communities generally of Vale of Glamorgan and of the sincere efforts of the Station in support of civilian and service charitable organisations.

Now therefore the Council of the Borough of Vale of Glamorgan do by these presents confer upon you the title, honour and distinction of the Freedom of the Borough of Vale of Glamorgan and do hereby admit you collectively to be Honorary Freemen of the said Borough provided always that nothing in these presents shall in any way detract from the Freedom of Entry on ceremonial occasions granted to Royal Air Force, St. Athan by the former Boroughs of Barry and Cowbridge.

In Witness Whereof the Common Seal of the Council of the Borough of Vale of Glamorgan was hereunto affixed this Twenty-second day of April One thousand nine hundred and seventy-four in the presence of:

Mayor

Chief Executive