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2	1	Almenhy	Caroline Julia Primrose	Nuclear Proliferation	Lady; Harry Primrose, Lord Dalmeny husband; British-American Project; Royal United Services Institute; Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) track II Nuclear Trilateral Dialogue between France, the UK and the USA; Chair of the Museum of the Home by the Secretary of State	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Caroline_Primrose_Lady_Dalmeny	NO
3	2	Bagatelas	Paul	Coutts Bank London; Credit Suisse; US State Department	American; Mr. Paul Bagatelas serves as Managing Director & Head of International, Private Banking at Coutts & Co. London; He was the Managing Director for Investor Relations and Senior Executive Officer (SEO) in the Dubai office in the DIFC. Prior to joining Carlyle, he was a Director with Credit Suisse in Dubai, as a team leader for special coverage in the Middle East. Previously, he was a Director with Citigroup Private Bank in Dubai, Greece and Switzerland. He began his career with the United States Department of State as a United States Presidential Management Fellow, with assignments in Washington, DC and at the United States Mission to the European Union in Brussels, Belgium. He has a master's degree from the Tufts University Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy in Massachusetts, and a bachelor's degree from the Georgetown University Walsh School of Foreign Service in Washington, DC. He completed the international business program as a Rotary Foundation Scholar at Nyenrode Business University in The Netherlands. He serves on the board of the European Advisory Group of the Tufts University Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy	https://pitchbook.com/profiles/person/12990-16P#overview	NO
4	3	Bentley	David	Royal Air Force; NATO; CAE UK	Air Commander; Royal Air Force director of flying training; NATO; CAE UK Plc Managing Director https://www.cae.com/defense-security/who-we-are/ https://www.smgconferences.com/documentportal/speakerprofile/166765.pdf https://www.linkedin.com/in/david-bentley-949694173/	https://diweb.hq.nato.int/niag/niifte/Shared%20Documents/David%20BENTLEY%20(Chair%20ViceChair)/20240627-David%20Bentley_CV_NIIFTE.pdf	NO
5	4	Bhanji	Faiz	Blackstone; 15-min cities	Naya Capital Management UK partner; Bolt director (15-minute cities); Apax Partners associate; Blackstone Group analyst; Stanford, Oxford grooming; WaterBridge Ventures	https://www.linkedin.com/in/faiz-bhanji-4766bb1a/?originalSubdomain=uk	NO
6	5	Bhanji	Nabeel	Elliotte; Toshiba; Apax	Elliott Management partner; Westminster School London director; Toshiba director; Apax private equity; Harvard, Oxford groom	https://www.linkedin.com/in/nabeelbhanji/?originalSubdomain=uk	NO
7	6	Billings	Kevin William	Lockheed Martin; RAF 601; US Air Force	Knight; American; OBE; Legation Strategies CEO Pres.; Assistant Secretary of the United States Air Force (Bush); member of the 601 (County of London) Squadron RAuxAF, and a Visiting Fellow at the Mitchell Institute for Aerospace Studies in Washington, DC. Mr. Billings serves as a member of a number of corporate and nonprofit boards; The Billy Fiske Foundation president; RAF Northolt 601 group captain; Royal Air Force Museum American Foundation, trustees; Lane Power and Energy US Proxy director; Lockheed Martin director https://www.linkedin.com/in/kevin-billings-42360750/	https://www.linkedin.com/in/kevin-billings-obe-3b647614/	NO

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8	7	Bogdanor	Vernon		CBE knight; Professor; King's College; Oxford; Institute for Contemporary British History (Whitewashing); a monarchist; Event: "The Strange Survival of Liberal Britain and the Origins of the Special Relationship" by Professor Vernon Bogdanor who will talk to us about his latest book Date: Wednesday 4th October 2023	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vernon_Bogdanor	NO
9	8	Bowring	Clive		New Forest Show, Hampshire County UK, president	https://www.legacy.com/uk/obituaries/advertiserandtimes-uk/name/clive-bowring-obituary?id=39730493 https://www.advertiserandtimes.co.uk/people/obituary-clive-bowring-dedicated-conservationist-and-form-9300557/	NO
10	9	Box	Christopher	Asian financing	Australian; ECA Financing director, United Arab Emirates; Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank, Beijing, China, investment officer; Atkins Acuity, director,	https://www.linkedin.com/in/chris-box-72ab85107/?originalSubdomain=ae	NO
11	10	Boyce	Michael Cecil		Baron-Lord, KG, GCB, OBE, KStJ, DL; First Sea Lord; Chief of Naval Staff	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Michael_Boyce,_Baron_Boyce	NO
12	11	Boyd	Michael N.M.		CBE; ?		NO
13	12	Brown	Denis G.		?		NO
14	13	Carrington	Peter Alexander Rubert		6th Baron Carrington, KG, GCMG, CH, MC, PC, DL; 6th Secretary General of NATO; Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs; General Electric Company chairman; devolved Rhodesia; Falklands War foreign secretary; High Commissioner to Australia; Foreign Secretary and Minister for Overseas Development; director of Barclays Bank, Cadbury Schweppes and The Daily Telegraph. He also chaired the Bilderberg conferences; Cambridge; Harvard; Privy Counsellor; Pilgrims Society president	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Peter_Carrington,_6th_Baron_Carrington	Y
15	14	Chapple	John Lyon		Field Marshall; knight; GCB, CBE; British Army; Chief of the General Staff of Land Forces	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Chapple_(British_Army_officer)	NO
16	15	Conway	Robert		Barclays digital transformation executive; HSBC global head of project execution; Material Exchange CTO; freemarketFX CTO; Earthport CTO		NO
17	16	Cosby	Maxwell Ashworth Ivan	Royal Navy; British war monger	Lieutenant, Royal Navy		NO
18	17	Cripwell	Richard	British warmonger	CB, CBE, Knight; Lieutenant General; Kosovo; Iraq;p British Defence Attache Washington DC; Deputy Commander NATO Allied Land Command	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Richard_Cripwell	NO
19	18	Crooke	Dena Lee		American; Pan American Petroleum Corporation industrial relations; American International Church London, The Hague; Petroleum Women's Club of London; Junior League of London; The British-American Associates	https://announcements.telegraph.co.uk/marketplace/advert/crooke-notices_47794	NO
20	19	Eatwell	John Leonard	HIV/AIDS	Baron/Lord; Cambridge; Harvard; Chair of the Advisory Board of the Institute for Policy Research (IPR) at the University of Bath; CRUSAID, an HIV/AIDS charity, from 1993 to 1998, and of the British Library Board from 2001 to 2006	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Eatwell,_Baron_Eatwell	NO

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20	20	Engineer	Mischa	Prince's Trust (now King's Trust)	PhD; London Business School; Fontus Health (pharma) founder; Prince's Trust (now King's Trust) director; Tasen Consulting Ltd managing director; Mansfield Advisors; Royal Yachting Association director	https://www.linkedin.com/in/misha-engineer-23998719b/?originalSubdomain=uk	NO
21	21	Fall	Catherin Susan		Baroness, MBE; Political Advisor and deputy chief of staff to David Cameron; daughter of Sir Brian Fall, British ambassador to the USSR; Oxford	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kate_Fall,_Baroness_Fall	NO
22	22	Fisher	Christopher	Mayer Brown recruiter	Mayer Brown LLP London partner, employment group (recruiting)	https://www.linkedin.com/in/christopher-fisher-532764a/?originalSubdomain=uk	NO
23	23	Fuente (de la)	Josu	Paediatric, Blood	Professor; Children's Haematology; Imperial College London Healthcare NHS Trust and and Professor of Practice (Gene and Cellular Therapy) at Imperial College	https://www.finder.bupa.co.uk/Consultant/view/73176/dr_josu_de_la_fuente	NO
24	24	Griffiths	Alison	Parliament; Coca-Cola	MP; Aviva insurance; Coca-Cola; Fintech; https://www.alisongriffiths.org.uk/about-alison-griffiths	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alison_Griffiths_(politician)	NO
25	25	Habib	Mumtaz		Cricketer	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mumtaz_Habib	NO
26	26	Harris	Robert		British novelist, journalist, propagandist; Cambridge; BBC; The Observer; The Sunday Times; The Daily Telegraph; NPR; Press Secretary to Margaret Thatcher; Enigma code propagandist	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Robert_Harris_(novelist)	NO
27	27	Hartley	Jane Dorothy	CFR, Carnegie Endowment, Westinghouse, Goldman Sachs, Blackstone	U.S. Ambassador to UK, France, Monaco (Obama, Biden); Council on Foreign Relationship (CFR) member; Carnegie Endowment for International Peace trustee; Group W Cable executive; Westinghouse Broadcasting executive; MCA Broadcasting executive; G7 CEO; Observatory Group executive' Democratic Mayor's Conference executive director; US HUD director of Congressional relations; husband Ralph Schlosstein is an investment banker for Evercore Partners NYSE: EVR; principal in Goldman Sachs, Merrill Lynch, Lehman Brothers, US Treasury, Blackstone Group; M&A work for DuPont, Dow, Pfizer, Abbott Labs, Qualcomm, NXP, CenturyLink, SolarCity, Tesla; Coach, Kate Spade; CVS, Aetna, Broadcom, T-Mobile, Takeda, Sprint, Comcast, Sky plc, National Amusements, CBS, Viacom, Occidental, Anadarko, Bristol-Myers Squib, Cellegene, AstaZeneca, Alexion	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jane_D._Hartley	NO
28	28	Hellpern	Will	Shadow Foreign Secretary; Shadow Chancellor; European Parliament Speech Writer	MP; Shadow Foreign Secretary; Shadow Chancellor; Writer, Business Insider UK; Cambridge; CNN	https://www.linkedin.com/in/willhellpern/	NO
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30	29	Hill	Fiona		English; UK government defence advisor; US National Security Council; Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) member; Eurasia Foundation trustee; Steele Dossier handler; John Bolton groom; Trump-Russia hoax and impeachment; Brookings Institution fellow; US Foreign Relations (Bush, Obama, Trump); Durham University chancellor; Harvard https://fbcoverup.com/docs/library/2016-07-02-FIONA-HILL-Curriculum-Vitae-The-Brookings-Institution-Jul-02-2016.pdf	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fiona_Hill_(presidential_advisor)	NO
31	30	Hinchingbrooke	Julie		American Vicountess sycophant; "In an on-line talk, she spoke of her personal knowledge and unique perspective on America's love and fascination for the British Aristocracy;" Royal Wedding commentator for BBC; CNN documentary Diana; University of Buckingham to work towards a Master's of Arts in Country House studies	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Julie_Montagu_Viscountess_Hinchingbrooke	NO
32	31	Huggins	Courtney	The City of London drone	Jones Lang LaSalle Incorporated (NYSE: JLL) global treasurer; Canary Wharf Group, director, \$4 billion and higher debt; Capita Plc and Klesch Group; George Washington University graduate; In 2004, a majority of the company was acquired by Glick Family Investments and Morgan Stanley using an investment vehicle company called Songbird Acquisitions, which was later taken over by China Investment Corporation; In 2015, Brookfield Properties and Qatar Investment Authority took over Canary Wharf Group for £2.6 billion. Songbird was delisted following the takeover.	https://www.us.jll.com/en/newsroom/jll-appoints-courtney-huggins-as-global-treasurer	NO
33	32	Hunt	Jeremy		?		NO
34	33	Inge	Peter Anthony		Baron-Lord, KG, GCB, PC, DL; British Army, Chief of the General Staff; Oxford; Privy Counsellor, Racal Electronics director (now Thales plc); Aegis Defence Services	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Peter_Inge,_Baron_Inge	NO
35	34	Irwin	Mark	SERCO Group Plc; US Navy; US DoD; Blackstone (Stephen A. Schwarzman)	SERCO Group Plc UK, Europe, chief executive; formerly chief executive of Australia, New Zealand; Momentive Performance Materials and Nalco Company as well as China National Bluestar Group following Blackstone's investment in the company. Prior to working in China, Mark spent eight years in the United States working for multinational companies including General Electric (GE), after commencing with GE in Australia; Harvard	https://www.serco.com/about/executive-committee	NO
36	35	Jenrick	Robert	MP, Cabinet Minister; Skadden Arps; Sullivan Cromwell	Cabinet as Minister of State for Immigration from 2022 to 2023 and as Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government; Skadden Arps LLP partner; Sullivan Cromwell partner, London, Moscow; Christies director; PPS to the Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice, Michael Gove	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Robert_Jenrick	NO
37	36	Keaveny	Vincent	The City of London; Knights of Malta; DLA Piper	Knight; The City of London; Lord Mayor of London; Shreff of Nottingham; Mercer; DLA Piper (Sir Nigel Knowles, Goug Emhoff, Kamala Harris, The King's Trust, Crown Agents); Knights of Malta, English Priory;	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vincent_Keaveny	NO
38	37	Kendrick	Heledd (Mrs)		FRSA; Society of Leadership Fellows, Windsor Castle https://www.linkedin.com/company/stgeorgheshouse/	https://www.linkedin.com/in/heledd-kendrick/?originalSubdomain=uk	NO
39	38	Khairallah	Sara		?		NO

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39		Kriegsman	John		?		NO
40							
40		Larsen	Dan		?		NO
41							
41		Layfield	Irene Patricia		"Housewife" Director Secretary of 9-11 Mansion Place FREEHOLD LIMITED (999-YEAR LEASES), London, SW7 5LT Company number 05416562 https://find-and-update.company-information.service.gov.uk/company/05416562 PILGRIMS LIVE HERE UNDETECTED?	https://find-and-update.company-information.service.gov.uk/officers/soqt0LrFbLt_QfEMd9Rde1UitWg8/appointments	NO
42							
42		Livingston	Paul		?		NO
43							
43		Mainelli	Michael	Lord Mayor of The City of London; Sheriff	American; 695TH Lord Mayor of The City of London, Sheriff of The City of London; Alderman, FCCA, VCSI, FBCS; BDO consultant; M&A for Deutsche Morgan Grenfell; X/Yen founder; Ocean Alliance trustee; Livery Master; EVIDENTLY A BABYLONIAN RADKNIGHT MERCHANT BANKER LINEAGE	https://www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/about-us/about-the-city-of-london-corporation/lord-mayor/lord-mayor-biography	NO
44							
44		Moller	David		?		NO
45							
45		Monckton	Edward		Artist, illustrator	https://www.edwardmonkton.com/	NO
46							
46		Moore	Charles Hilary		Baron-Lord; Daily Telegraph, The Spectator, Sunday Telegraph editor; Margaret Thatcher biographer; elevated to peerage by Boris Johnson; News Chronicle; Eton Chronicle; Cambridge; Policy Exchange chair	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charles_Moore,_Baron_Moore_of_Etchingham	NO
47							
47		Noble	Scott		?		NO
48							
48		Paumgarte	Christina		?		NO
49							
49		Payne	Sebastian		Journalist, Onward think tanker for 10 Downing Street; Daily Telegraph; The Spectator; Financial Times; Gaurdian; The Washington Post; London School of Economics (communist) fellow; Policy Exchange advisor on "UK Resilience"	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sebastian_Payne	NO
50							
50		Peach	Stuart		Air Chief Marshall, Lord GBE, KCB, ADC, DL; NATP Air Commander; NATO Military Committee chair; Chief of Joint Operations; Defence Intelligence Chief; Saudi Arabia Dtachment Commander; Air Warfare Center commandant; RAF Strike Command assistant chief; Cambridge	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stuart_Peach	NO
51							
51		Pierpont-Grose	Thomas		UK Merchant Banker; RBC; Citibank NA; Royal Bank of Scotland; Janus; The Institute of Directors; Boston Capital Management; Euphorix; Blackstone; Children and Familier Across Borders; Speymill Deutche; Morgan Grenfell Group Plc; Signal Credit GP; many more	https://www.marketscreener.com/insider/THOMAS-PIERPONT-GROSE-A1FEFK/network/	NO
52							
52		Powell	Nathaniel		Oxford Analytica Africa analyst; King's College research; Centre for War and Diplomacy researcher https://www.linkedin.com/company/oxford-analytica/	https://www.linkedin.com/in/nathaniel-powell-179a9b31/?originalSubdomain=uk	NO
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53	53	Pung	Hans		RAND Europe president; Cambridge; Prior to RAND, Pung served as an engineer officer in the United States Army with responsibility for logistics, personnel, and operations and overseas service in the United Kingdom, South Korea, and Germany. He also led the emergency power response team at the Pentagon in the aftermath of 9/11; A mathematics graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point where he commanded the United States Corps of Cadets as a senior https://www.linkedin.com/in/hans-pung-181b683/?originalSubdomain=uk https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/RAND_Corporation	https://www.rand.org/about/people/p/pung_hans.html	NO
54							
54	54	Radakin	Antony David		Admiral, CB, ADC; Royal Navy; Vice Admiral; Chief of Defence Staff; First Sea Lord; Joint Forces Command chief; Lord High Constable of England; helped marry Charles and Camilla; King's College, international relations; US Bronze Star awarded; a chief British warmonger	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tony_Radakin	NO
55							
55	55	Ramsbotham	David John		British Army General, Lord; GCB, CBE; HM Chief Inspector of Prisons; Cambridge; bridge commander during The Troubles in Northern Ireland	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/David_Ramsbotham,_Baron_Ramsbotham	NO
56							
56	56	Richmond	David		Knight, KBE, CMG; Brazzaville Foundation for Peace and Conservation CEO; Foreign Office in UN, EU, Africa; Asia; Middle East; British Institute for the Study of Iraq director; British warmonger. https://www.bisi.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/report-and-accounts-2011-12.pdf	https://www.euractiv.com/section/global-europe/opinion/the-next-un-secretary-general-should-know-how-this-bureaucracy-work/	NO
57							
57	57	Rind	Alan M		CVO; lawyer, property investor; Dean of Windsor to become a Trustee of the College of St George at Windsor; Vice President of the OPC https://opcfoundation.org/about/what-is-opc/	https://opclub.stpaulsschool.org.uk/alan-rind-cvo-1954-59/	NO
58							
58	58	Robertson	George Islay MacNeill		Baron-Lord, KT, GCMG, PC, FRSA, FRSE; MP; 10th Sec. Gen. of NATO during US invasion of Afghanistan; British Secretary of Defence (Clinton presidency); Queen's College; University of Dundee chancellor; In December 2002, before the US-led invasion of Iraq, Robertson declared that NATO had a "moral obligation" to support the United States if it attacked Iraq; The Cohen Group counsellor in Washington, D.C.; hired by Prime Minister Keir Starmer for a "defence review"; former head of Chatham House; Bilderberg Group member https://wikispooks.com/wiki/George_Robertson	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/George_Robertson,_Baron_Robertson_of_Port_Ellen	NO
59							
59	59	Robson	Christopher		Editor, The [Secret] Pilgrims Society Newsletter; Gay and Lesbian Equality Network (Glen) founder; Gay Men's Collective Dublin; Gay Health Action Ireland	https://www.irishtimes.com/news/crime-and-law/death-of-gay-rights-activist-1.1337290	NO
60							
60	60	Rose	Alison		Dame; NatWest Group CEO (incl. Coutts Bank)--the Monarch's Bank; ultimate investor in Truth Social; Royal Bank of Scotland (RBS); Charterhouse Capital Partners senior advisor; married to David Slade, UBS banker	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alison_Rose_(banker)	NO
61							
61	61	Say	William		Can maker	https://www.linkedin.com/company/william-say-&-co.-ltd/about/	NO
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62	62	Scott	Elizabeth		Lady Elizabeth Kerr, The Duchess of Buccleuch and Queensberry; father was the 12th Marquess of Lothian; London School of Economics (communist); BBC Radio 4; British Museum trustee	https://www.northantstelegraph.co.uk/news/people/wonderful-duchess-of-buccleuch-dies-after-short-illness-4126781	NO
63	63	Sopel	Jonathan B.		British journalist; BBC North America editor; BBC apologist for Tony Blair, David Cameron, Jack Straw, Gordon Brown, Condoleezza Rice, Emir of Dubai, Philip Morris International, Marlboro; The Prince's Trust ambassador (Crown Agent)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jon_Sopel	NO
64	64	Stirrup	Graham Eric		Baron-Lord, KG, GCB, AFC, FRAeS, FCMI; Royal Air Force; Chief of the Defence Staff; Air Chief Marshall; chief British warmonger	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jock_Stirrup	NO
65	65	Strauss	Michael		American; European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) general counsel; Harris Wiltshire LLP Washington, D.C. partner; IMF; World Bank; Cleary Gottlieb LLP partner; Stanford JD https://www.linkedin.com/in/michael-strauss-9b603a2/?originalSubdomain=uk	https://www.ebrd.com/executive-committee/michael-strauss.html	NO
66	66	Tezisler	Serra		Gov.UK, head of HR; PriceWaterhouseCoopers, UK Workforce lead; Prince's Trust now King's Trust auditor; Ricoh, HR partner; BBC Leadership Development Programme; King's College https://www.bbc.co.uk/mediacentre/latestnews/2015/bame-senior-leadership-programmecoh	https://www.linkedin.com/in/serra-tezisler-76220637/	NO
67	67	Thomas	Gareth		MP; Minister of State; Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Services, Small Business and Exports; King's College; Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State at the Department for International Development	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gareth_Thomas_(English_politician)	NO
68	68	Tough	Ian W.		JP; comedian, The Krankies	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Krankies	NO
69	69	Wallace	John Collin		British intelligence, Ministry of Defence, Northern Ireland; psychological warfare specialist; Clockwork Orange disinformation campaign against British members of Parliament that the Daily Telegraph blamed on America; Dublin-Monaghan bombings inquiry; documentary subject of The Man Who Knew Too Much https://www.declassifieduk.org/the-man-who-knew-too-much/	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Colin_Wallace	NO
70	70	Westcott	Ruth		Climate alarmist; global trouble maker; The ROC Group managing director; Imperial College; Oxford https://therocgrp.com/company/	https://www.linkedin.com/in/ruth-westcott-62ba8b2a/?originalSubdomain=uk	NO
71	71	Williams	Benjamin		?		NO
72	72	Wood	Humphrey		?		NO
73	73	Worcester	Robert Milton		Knight, KBE, DL; American-born founder of MORI Market and Opinion Research International Ltd.; Parliament and Monarchy advisor; Pilgrims Society Chairman since 2006; WWF trustee	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Robert_Worcester	Y
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74	74	Yates	William H		British merchant banker; Save The Children Fund; Suzy Lamplugh Trust deputy chair of an evident money laundering and trafficking operation in our opinion - too much slickness http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/uk_news/england/wiltshire/6218327.stm https://www.suzylamplugh.org/	https://find-and-update.company-information.service.gov.uk/officers/jvc0LYTXkNtlz1AhrGizvIV_OZg/appointments	NO
75							
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New US Ambassador to the Court of St James Jane Hartley gave her maiden speech

By Dee Dee Simpson

The new US Ambassador to the Court of St James Jane Hartley gave her maiden speech to the Pilgrims on 7 September in the majestic Egyptian Hall of Mansion House. The Ambassador is only the second woman to serve in this role, following Ann Armstrong by almost half a century. Ambassador Hartley previously served as US Ambassador to France, is on the Board of Trustees of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, is a member of the Visiting Committee of the Kennedy School at Harvard and of the Council on Foreign Relations, and served at the White House in the Carter Administration.

Before the speech, the Ambassador spent over an hour tirelessly shaking hands in a receiving line. She was then welcomed to Mansion House by its resident, the Lord Mayor of the City of London Vincent Keaveny, and they were rhythmically clapped into the Egyptian Hall, a longstanding City tradition.

Ambassador Hartley spoke of issues affecting the US and UK >





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to 260-some guests. First, she paid tribute to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, her life of service and the significant role she played as a world leader. This tribute was meant to reflect the recent Platinum Jubilee but, in fact, was made the day before the Queen's death.

The Ambassador then described her role of strengthening the UK-US relationship based on shared values of democracy and opportunity for all. She spoke of the importance of transatlantic security, inclusivity, economic growth, and bold climate action. She emphasized the unshakeable UK-US bond and said the UK has been and remains the most important ally of the US. Specifically, the Ambassador said the US appreciates UK leadership resisting Russian aggression in Ukraine. She said that, as the 25th anniversary of the Good Friday agreement approached, the US continues to support a secure and prosperous Northern

Ireland. She said the US supports the agreements reached at COP 26 in Glasgow and the Cornwall G7 meeting to find a path forward for green and prosperous growth. She then noted that cumulative bilateral UK/US investment was a massive \$1.5 trillion in 2021.

The Ambassador concluded by stating that our two countries will continue to work together to protect what we hold dear: to defend freedom, to champion opportunity, to uphold universal rights, and to do so under the rule of law. She reiterated that our commitment to each other is not just government to government, but people to people.



NEW MEMBERS

Mr Paul Bagatelas

Air Commodore David Bentley

Mr Faiz Bhanji

Mr Nabeel Bhanji

Mr Christopher Box

Lieutenant Maxwell Cosby

Lt Gen Richard Cripwell CB, CBE

Lord Eatwell

Dr Mischa Engineer

Mr Christopher Fisher

Mrs Alison Griffiths

Mr Mumtaz Habib

Mr Will Heilpern

The Honorable Kevin William Billings

Ms Courtney Huggins

Mr Mark Irwin

Mr Robert Jenrick

Mrs Michal Jenrick

Professor Josu de la Fuente

Mrs Heledd Kendrick FRSA

Mrs Sara Khairallah

Mr John Kriegsman

Dr Dan Larsen

Mr Paul Livingston

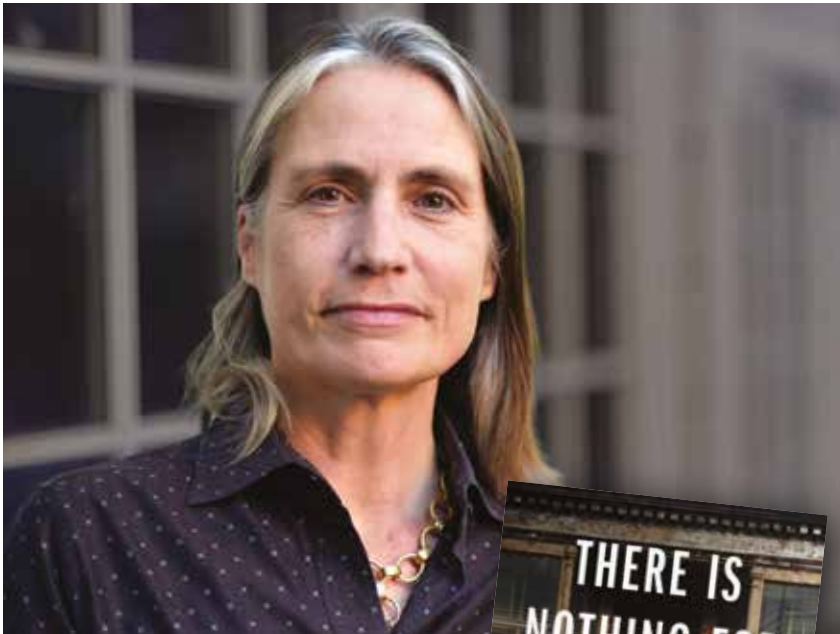
Alderman Professor Michael Mainelli FCCA FCSI (Hons) FBCS

Mr Edward Monekton

Mr Scott Noble

Ms Christina Paumgarten

Reception with Fiona Hill



By *Kweilen Hatleskog*

In February 2022, the Pilgrims were privileged to host a small gathering to hear Fiona Hill speak. Launching her book “There is Nothing for You Here,” Ms. Hill recounted her personal journey from England’s coal-mining country to Harvard and the United States’ National Security Council; advising Presidents George W. Bush, Barack Obama and Donald Trump on foreign affairs.

In a powerful, and deeply personal, account she shared what she had learned about the damaging impacts of populism in both Russia and more recently in the United Kingdom and the United States. Newly appointed as chancellor of Durham University, Ms. Hill’s comments focused on the rising divisions in access to university education. Noting

that while people look at the UK and US as the ‘superpowers of education’, we must actively work to address the inequalities of access and invest in skills-based social mobility if we are to preserve our democracies.

Questioned by the Pilgrims on Russia’s strategy and strengths in pursuing war in the Ukraine, Ms. Hill was thoughtful and frank. Indicating, she thought, that absolute victory over Russia was not likely possible, she emphasised the importance of effective leadership, suggesting

NEW MEMBERS (cont.)

Mr Sebastian Payne

Mr Thomas Pierpont-Grose

Mr Nathaniel Powell

Mr Hans Pung

Admiral Antony David Radakin, CB, ADC

Sir David Richmond KBE, CMG

Mrs Alison Rose

Mr Michael Strauss

Air Chief Marshal Sir Stuart Peach GBE, KCB, ADC, DL

Miss Serra Tezisler

Mr Gareth Thomas

Mr Ian Tough JP

Mr Collin Wallace

Mrs Ruth Westcott

Mr Benjamin Williams

that we must try to create the circumstances for a real negotiation, rather than aiming for complete capitulation. With her characteristic pragmatism and balance, Ms. Hill also reminded us that beyond Russia, there are even greater threats where an educated bureaucracy and a strong transatlantic democratic alliance will be essential in ensuring the West’s success.

As the formal part of the evening concluded, Ms. Hill stayed to converse with Pilgrims and all left more educated than they arrived.

Dinner with Alison Rose, Chief Executive of NatWest Group plc

By Mark Seligman

Alison Rose, Chief Executive of NatWest Group, was the guest speaker at the first dinner of 2022, appropriately held at the Army and Navy Club given her military upbringing. Alison is the first and only female head of a major British bank. Some 76 members and their guests attended what was a very lively evening. Alison was also the author of The Rose Review in 2019, undertaken for the Government to identify issues stopping women from becoming entrepreneurs, a subject very dear to her heart.

Introduced by Lord Stirrup, who declared himself a happy NatWest customer, Alison spoke of the unprecedented level of uncertainty in the economic outlook. The ongoing invasion of Ukraine had exacerbated significant existing inflationary pressures, as well as supply chain and labour challenges. NatWest was acutely aware of the issues its customers were facing. Some businesses were anecdotally facing energy price rises of 300-400%, and there was a concern that with post-COVID fatigue, many might choose to close rather than trade through another crisis.

NatWest's approach is to provide a strong, practical support package, in particular for the most vulnerable customers. This is part of the purpose led approach of the bank. Alison is a firm believer that such

an approach drives long-term sustainable value creation for the bank - fulfilling its responsibilities not just to shareholders, but also to all of its stakeholders.

Another part of this approach has been the bank's focus on climate change, learning and enterprise. On climate, the bank will work with customers to accelerate the net zero transition through a £100bn climate finance target, and help to create an energy safe future where we are no longer reliant on Russian hydrocarbons.

On learning, 80% of young people believe they will never be financially secure. So, a financial literacy programme in partnership with the

footballer Marcus Rashford is being launched this summer.

Fostering enterprise is a key area of focus for NatWest as the leading business bank in the UK. On female entrepreneurship, research shows that if women were empowered to start and scale businesses at the same rate as men, then we could add £250bn to our national economy.

After speaking, questions poured in. It was clear that Alison's comments had rung true, and that there was widespread support for her efforts to have businesses, government and civil society join together to ensure that those who are in most need of support are given the practical, tangible toolkits they need to overcome the challenges ahead. The Chairman then thanked Alison and presented her with the customary history of the Pilgrims, together with a silk Pilgrims scarf.



Visit to Chiswick House

By Dee Dee Simpson

The Pilgrims visited Chiswick House on 13 July 2022, one of the hottest days of the year. Luckily, we spent some of the tour in the beautiful gardens, the birthplace of the English Landscape movement. We walked in the 18th century Italian Garden and saw the magnificent conservatory, home to the oldest collection of camellias in Britain.

The Roman-style Palladian Chiswick House villa is one of the most glorious examples of 18th century British architecture, designed by the 3rd Earl of Burlington with his friend, the architect and designer William Kent. The house and gardens have recently benefited from a major restoration project and the house contains a rich



collection of Old Master paintings and beautiful original furniture. However, the refurbishment was a long time coming. After Burlington's death, the house passed by marriage to the Dukes of Devonshire, who remodelled the house, and by the 1860s the house was let and its contents gradually moved to Chatsworth House, seat of the Devonshires. In 1892 the house became a mental health institution used by early pioneers of talking therapies. In the 20th century, the house and gardens were in decline

and in 1929 the reduced estate was sold to Middlesex County Council. In 1948, ownership of the house passed to the Ministry of Works, which embarked on a restoration campaign aimed at returning the villa to its original size and design and the gardens to their original layout. Eventually, funding from the National Lottery Heritage Fund, London Borough of Hounslow and English Heritage Trust enabled this wonderful transformation. If you haven't visited, you should!

Evening reception with Robert Harris

By Peter Felix

It was a pleasure to have Robert Harris, one of my favourite authors, discussing his work in our living room last December. As host I had asked him his name before realising who he was. But he wan't put out and as he talked to our attentive audience I came to like him even more.

This is a writer who is very aware of his own development process as an author and has built an approach to writing which not



only involves his personal discipline but an attention to historical detail that imbues authenticity. This has been particularly true of his political histories such as the Cicero Trilogy and Munich, his story of appeasement at the beginning of the Second World War.

I personally found him intellectually very authoritative and credible with a crowd pleasing ability to articulate and explain in a non arrogant way. Too often intellectuals forget how to explain to lesser mortals.

All in all a delightful evening which left me with a pile of surplus books, thrillers and spy novels as well as historical novels that I have since worked my way through. Thank you to the Pilgrims.

Memorial lecture for The Right Honourable The Lord Carrington, KG, GCMG, CH, MC, PC, DL by The Right Honourable The Lord Robertson of Port Ellen KT GCMG PC FRSA FRSE

By Dee Dee Simpson

Lord Robertson delivered the Carrington Memorial Lecture on 17 October. He paid tribute to Lord Carrington, “a truly great British figure and a man of enormous distinction, honour and achievement.” He referred to Carrington’s lifetime of public service, as a decorated warrior, a High Commissioner, Defence and Foreign Secretary, Party Chairman and Secretary General of NATO (and, of course, President of the Pilgrims Society).



Robertson used Carrington’s example to refer to events in Ukraine today. In his memoir, Carrington quoted Lord Palmerston: “Russian expansionism is like water running downhill. Checked it may find another way, but it can be checked...to check it requires adequate strength and evident will. NATO provides both, and continues to do so. It will be a long haul – the Russians think historically, and they take a long view.” Robertson said those were prescient words and the sentiment applies again today.

Robertson speaks from experience. As NATO Secretary General in 2002, Robertson chaired the Rome Summit, at

which President Putin shared the table with 19 NATO leaders. “I wasn’t the only one round that table in Rome who harboured the thought – maybe the hope, that we might just have found that other way to check Palmerston’s downhill water and that Russia under Putin might perhaps have the vision to be part of a new spirit of cooperative security. Indeed, I stood beside Putin that same afternoon at the Press Conference and heard him say these words: ‘Ukraine is a sovereign, independent nation state and it will choose its own path to peace and security.’”

But Putin started to develop the classic signature of authoritarian leaders. Professor Sir Lawrence

Freedman describes it in his new book ‘Command’, as the ‘familiar theme of autocratic decision making, of leaders supremely confident in their wisdom and insight, egged on by sycophantic courtiers’. They make decisions easier; Freedman says – but also much worse. As indeed the Ukraine adventure is proving.

Robertson wonders whether there was a considered decision by Putin to go to war with the West. Also debatable is whether Putin actually has a Grand Strategy for his actions or rather a series of tactical manoeuvres designed mainly to disrupt and gain attention and ‘respect’. But he believes Putin was quick to capitalise on failures of Western

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will: to enforce the red lines in Syria over the use of chemical weapons and the chaotic withdrawal of allied forces from Afghanistan last year. “For Putin, who I saw at close hand several times, there is a burning ambition to recreate the respect for Russia he believed was given to the second super-power, the Soviet Union. The emotional side of his character I saw occasionally across that long white table has now stewed into a messianic demand for equality with the US and the assimilation of Ukraine to be no more than a province of his ‘Greater Russia.’”

Robertson said the war Putin is waging is new - hybrid, multifaceted, under-the-radar, insidious. “...every day he systematically penetrates the cracks and fissures in our democratic life. In disinformation, election meddling, corruption, organised crime, extra territorial assassination, supply chain disruption and cyber interference,

he inserts his poison. Some of it is overt – but much of it is more subtle...Parliament’s Intelligence and Security Committee’s Report of 2020 was explicit. “The UK welcomed Russian money, and few questions – if any – were asked about the provenance of this considerable wealth.”

Robertson summed up by asking what we need to do about this assault on our liberal democratic west and in particular the heroic battle for survival of the Ukrainian people? He said that first we need to recognise that either Putin is defeated, or we are. If Putin wins in Ukraine, he will not stop there. Hence, we must accelerate supplies of weapons and ammunition to the front line. President Putin must realise the miscalculation he has made and he needs to know that Ukraine will get the help it needs for as long as it needs it. Second, we must stand up to the dangerously loose talk from the Kremlin on using nuclear weapons. Russia is not being



attacked; we are only helping Ukraine. There is no required defence of the ‘motherland’. Third, we have to permanently wean ourselves off Russian gas – and as is less well known, Russian wheat. Fourth, we need to remind the countries of the Global South that the changing of borders by force is not a European regional dispute issue but rather a fundamental issue of significance to many in South America, Africa and in South East Asia. Fifth, we need to step up the messages to the Russian people that this war is Putin’s and that we have no argument with them.

Saatchi Gallery visit

By Dee Dee Simpson

The Pilgrims visited the Saatchi Gallery in March 2022 to view its “America in Crisis” photo exhibition, which featured 40 leading American photographers and over 120 works exploring social change in the US from the 1960s to today. America in

Crisis was a ground-breaking group initiative originally conceived by Magnum Photos in 1969 to assess the state of the nation. The group turned a critical eye on the US at a time of great social, political and cultural change and examined key events in 1968

leading up to Nixon’s inauguration. The 2022 Saatchi exhibition created a dialogue between the original historical photographs and new works produced five decades later by diverse contemporary practitioners, highlighting themes present during both eras.



Visit to see Winslow Homer at the National Gallery

By Sir Nicholas Hilliard

In the late afternoon of 5th January 2023, a group of Pilgrims and their guests overcame rail strikes and met at the National Gallery to see the exhibition "Winslow Homer: Force of Nature." We were extremely fortunate to be accompanied on our tour by Chris Riopelle, who had curated the exhibition. Chris is the Neil Westreich Curator of Post 1800 Paintings, a title which does not begin to convey the easy and engaging way in which he shared his considerable scholarship with us. He did not just provide an introduction and leave us to it, but very generously accompanied us from start to finish.

Homer was born in Boston in 1836. He had very little in the way of formal training as an artist. He lived through the American Civil War and the abolition of slavery,

which provided the subject matter for a number of remarkable paintings. He travelled to England in 1881 and stayed in Cullercoats, a town on the North East coast, where his work reflected his preoccupation with scenes of heroism and resilience and the relationship between humankind and the environment. In 1883, he made his home in Maine. Until his death in 1910, the coast and the sea continued to provide the inspiration for some memorable work.

A further treat was in store for us as Peter Cadbury kindly hosted us afterwards for drinks at the Beefsteak Club in Irving Street. It was a great opportunity to get to know each other in splendid surroundings. All our thanks are due to Chris, Peter and Amy Thompson for a very special and hugely enjoyable occasion.

Viscountess Julie Hinchbrooke

By Peter Cadbury

Julie Montagu is a new member of the Pilgrims and an American from Illinois, who married into the British Aristocracy when she became Viscountess Hinchbrooke and chatelaine of their beautiful home at Mapperton.



In an on-line talk, she spoke of her personal knowledge and unique perspective on America's love and fascination for the British Aristocracy.

Her talk included examples ranging from the love match between Mary Goelet and the Duke of Roxburghe at Floors Castle, many less successful marriages between impoverished Aristocrats and American heiresses, right up to her own modern day experience, where her enthusiasm and energy clearly contribute greatly.

She has a great gift for combining erudition with entertainment which her talk demonstrated excellently.

My only regret is that this talk was on zoom and we must make sure we ask Julie back to talk to us again, next time, in person.



Lunch with Jon Sopel at the Savile Club

By Mark Fox

In July 2022 we were very pleased to welcome veteran broadcaster and journalist Jon Sopel to speak to us on the theme of 'The Era of Biden, The shadow of Trump'.

Jon is a seasoned and experienced commentator and observer who spent a considerable period of time as the BBC's North America Editor covering, among many things, the White House during the Presidency of Donald Trump - that most extraordinary and unprecedented of Presidencies. Indeed on at least one famous occasion Jon became the focus of the President's ire at a White House press conference (*You can find the link here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ivqo5WfRCj0>*). In his resilient yet persistent handling of

President Trump he showed just how important it is that journalists should not be intimidated by a powerful politician.

Jon's talk was full of fascinating reflections, reminiscences and observations. The contrast between Joe Biden and Donald Trump as people as well as Presidents could not be starker. Given the nature of his insurgent and brutal victory over Hilary Clinton it is perhaps all the more remarkable that Donald Trump was beaten so comprehensively by Joe Biden just four years later. With a President who refuses to accept defeat and the legitimacy of an election which he lost perhaps it also demonstrates the usefulness of term limits?

It was an excellent talk and we all much enjoyed it.

IN MEMORIAM

Admiral of the Fleet the Lord Boyce KG GCB OBE DL

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Mr Humphrey Wood

Mr Michael A Bardsley

Mr Michael N M Boyd CBE

Mr Robert M Conway

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Mrs Elizabeth Scott

Foundling Museum visit



By Dee Dee Simpson

Pilgrims were delighted to visit the Foundling Museum in February 2022 to learn about the eighteenth-century foundling and sailor George King, whose first-hand account detailed his journey from being press-ganged into the Navy and surviving the Battle of Trafalgar to his death at the Royal Naval Hospital. The Foundling Museum was established in 1739 by Thomas Coram to help abandoned children, and original fundraising was helped by the artist William Hogarth and composer George Frideric Handel.

George King (10 June 1787– 31 July 1857) was child number 18,053 at the Foundling Hospital, where he was taught to read and write – a rare skill for working-class people in the eighteenth century. Originally apprenticed to a confectioner in London, George ran away and was press-ganged into the Navy in 1804, with his journeys taking him across the Mediterranean to the Caribbean, Brazil and Argentina. His memoir provides both a humorous and harrowing account of life below deck, on shore, and in the thick of battle, including his account of the Battle of

Trafalgar, where he fought aboard HMS Polyphemus, which took 200 French prisoners and then towed HMS Victory, bearing Nelson's body, back to Gibraltar. After 24 years in the Navy and with his health starting to decline, George travelled to Charleston in recently-independent America, where he worked as a teacher before returning to England on a ship laden with cotton. In England, having tried dock work, haymaking, hop-picking and being a policeman, King fell on hard times, but was lucky enough to gain a place at the Royal Naval Hospital in Greenwich, where he died on 31 July 1857.

To bring George's story to life, the Foundling Museum featured the original manuscript of King's autobiography, a rare fragment of the flag from Nelson's coffin, letters between the Hospital's matron and Lady Emma Hamilton – annotated by Nelson himself – and two rare Naval General Service Medals, of which only 221 were awarded retrospectively when the medal was first issued in 1849. The medals belonged to George King and the foundling William South, who served aboard HMS Victory.

Forthcoming events

Event: Dinner “*Looking at the past to look to the future*” by Charles Moore, Baron Moore of Etchingham

Date: Tuesday 26th September 2023

Time: 6.00 for 6.30pm

Cost: £72

Location: The Cavalry and Guards Club, 127 Piccadilly, London, W1J 7PX

Event: “*The Strange Survival of Liberal Britain and the Origins of the Special Relationship*” by Professor Vernon Bogdanor who will talk to us about his latest book

Date: Wednesday 4th October 2023

Time: 6.30–8.00pm

Cost: £40.00 including drinks and canapés.

Location: The Library, The Rag - Army & Navy Club, 36 Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5JN

Event: The Pilgrims of Great Britain Annual Meeting, Sir Harry Brittain Memorial Lecture by Chancellor of the Exchequer, Rt Hon Jeremy Hunt MP and drinks reception

Date: Monday 16th October 2023

Time: 6.00 – 8.30pm

Cost: Free to members (£25 non-members)

Location: PwC, 1 Embankment Place, London, WC2N 6RH

Please also note that Baroness Kate Fall will talk to The Pilgrims at 6.30pm on the 8th November 2023 - location TBC.

Mansion House visit

By Dee Dee Simpson

In December Pilgrims visited Mansion House, home of the Lord Mayor of London and also home to The Harold Samuel Collection of Dutch and Flemish 17th century paintings, considered by some to be the best collection of Dutch art in Britain. Lord Harold Samuel of Wych Cross, a wealthy property developer and entrepreneur, left his collection to the City of London in 1987. The Merry Lute Player by Frans Hals is the best-known piece in the collection but there are many other fine paintings, sculpture, and a noted collection of gold and silver plate.

Mansion House has its own interesting history. Until the mid-18th century, Lord Mayors used their own houses or livery halls

for their work as head of the City's governmental, judicial and civic functions. The idea of creating a permanent residence came after the Great Fire of 1666. Almost a century later, the first stone was laid in 1739 and the house was completed in 1758. Palladian in style, Mansion House features a ballroom, private apartments of the Lord Mayor and family, and meeting rooms and staff rooms. The cellars have storage space and once held prisoners' cells, reflecting the former use of the Mansion House as the Lord Mayor's Court. The house also features the great Egyptian Hall on the first floor, the room where the Pilgrims welcomed incoming US Ambassador Jane Hartley for her maiden speech in September 2022.



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Mrs Sheila P Brittain

Professor Peter A D Giblin

Sir Derek Thomas KCMG

Sir Nicholas Bonsor Bt DL

**Sir Peter Marshall KCMG
CVO**

Sir Richard Giordano KBE

The Pilgrims is sad to report that Pilgrims' Newsletter Editor, Mr Christopher Robson of 23 years passed away in February 2023. We are so grateful for the dedication and support he has shown over the 34 years he was a member.

Should any member wish to get involved in the production of the Newsletter or write up a review of an event please do get in touch with Amy Thompson.

For six decades Sir Robert Worcester KBE DL, Pilgrims Chairman for eighteen years has been the face of British public opinion research: founder of MORI, advisor to Prime Ministers and the Royal Family, and a regular on election night specials. Now the very best of his writings have been gathered together for the first time by his son, Professor Kent Worcester. The collection ranges from practical guides on polling, the media and reputation to explorations of public attitudes towards the environment, science and trust in national institutions. All are written in the clear and accessible style that has led Sir Robert to be in such demand in the media. Sir Robert's own journey is every bit as fascinating as his insights on UK politics and society. He was born in Kansas City and served with the US military in Korea before settling in London. Since then, he has served in a host of public and charitable roles, from Trustee of the WWF to deputy Lord Lieutenant of Kent, and led the world-wide celebrations of the 800th anniversary of the signing of Magna Carta.



Benjamin Franklin and the Craven Street Bones

By Amy Thompson



In March 2023 Dr Paul Knapman (Coroner of Westminster for 31 years) and Dr Márcia Balisciano (Director of Benjamin Franklin House) shared

their fascinating story of the Craven Street bones, which were discovered in the basement of Benjamin Franklin House in 1998. The discovery of the bones was reported to Dr Knapman, as coroner, as a potential mass murder but the bones were actually from an anatomy school of a good friend of Benjamin Franklin at the time he was living there. Dr Knapman talked about the discovery of the bones and all the fascinating medical dimensions and Dr Balisciano talked about Benjamin

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Franklin and his role in the story. Attendees also toured Benjamin Franklin House, just a few minutes' walk from The Farmers Club, where guests met for a light sandwich lunch.

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