

Full Council, 30 October 2018

Motion: Cllr Arjun Mittra

Celebrating Diwali in Barnet schools

Council looks forward to Diwali in November this year, and recognises the importance of the celebration in the lives of the Hindu, Sikh and Jain communities. The Council notes that the teaching of Diwali has happened in Barnet schools for many decades, and is a welcome contribution to community relations, promoting a better understanding of the customs of our friends and neighbours.

Council believes that though we are all different, we are one community, and that our diversity and multiculturalism is a strength. It helps to promote an open and accepting culture, which in turn helps make Barnet a place for trade and business, as well as expanding our cultural horizons. Council resolves to write to all schools in the borough, encouraging them to celebrate Diwali with their pupils.

Under Full Council Procedure Rule 17.17: if my item is not dealt with by the end of the meeting I ask that it be voted upon at the Council meeting.