

## Commonwealth Day 2023

## **Affirmation**

On this tenth anniversary of the signing of our Commonwealth Charter, let us now stand to pledge ourselves afresh to uphold and serve the values and fellowship of the Commonwealth.

## The Affirmation

We affirm that every person possesses unique worth and dignity.

We affirm our desire for peace among all peoples and nations, and our belief in justice for everyone, everywhere.

We affirm our respect for the natural world, and that we will be stewards of the earth by caring for every part of it, and working together for a sustainable future.

We affirm our support for all young people, in every part of our Commonwealth, and our belief that the future success of the Commonwealth rests with them.

Joining together in kinship and affinity, in diversity and unity, as members of a worldwide family of nations, we build on shared inheritances.

We co-operate with mutual respect and goodwill to deliver our common goals, for the common good.

Through our Commonwealth connection we see each other, hear each other, learn from one another, and innovate to transform our communities and our nations, towards a more peaceful and sustainable common future for all.

## Response

We affirm our belief in the Commonwealth as a powerful influence for good in the world, and pledge ourselves to its service, now and for the future.