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Summary

I am currently an elected Councillor in London Borough of Southwark. I am an innovative thinker and have a knack for developing creative solutions. I have a compassionate nature and specialist in community service, with years of experience in human resources, education and being an entrepreneur. I have excellent administration and leaderships skills, particularly in programme implementation and management. I am involved in providing community support to various groups and forums in our borough.

Skills

Effective public speaker

Strong PR background

Organisational skills

Reliable

Good team player

Management background

Flexible

Negotiating skills

Computer literate

Employment History

Current Chairman: Nunhead and Peckham Community Council

2010 to Date: London Borough of Southwark

I have been working as an elected **Councillor** for LBS Nunhead Ward. As a Councillor I attend various community meetings and professional organisations. I was chair of Licensing Sub Committee for 2 years and have been a member of the committee from last 4 years. As a Councillor I have to hold monthly surgeries and help resolve Community issues in timely and tactful manner. I also attend TRA (Tenants and resident associations) meetings on regular basis. I also carry out mobile surgeries to help and resolve local resident issues as well as organising local MP to liaise with residents.

June 2014 to May 2015: Mayor London Borough of Southwark:

I was elected as **The Mayor of LBS**, and represented the borough Locally, Nationally and internationally by attending various functions. I was also very fortunate to meet and welcome

members of The Royal Family. I had the privilege to visit St. Petersburg, Hanover, Turkey and India. As a Mayor I choose UK HOMES FOR HEROES And the Robes Project as my Charities. As The Mayor of LBS I have helped raise the largest sum of money, to date, for charities; by arranging various Gala events and Dinner and dances. I also organised a special lunch for senior citizens of my borough, which was very well received.

June 2013 to June 2014: Deputy Mayor of LBS

I was elected as the Deputy Mayor during this year and supported the Mayor in official duties.

1979 to 2013: Retail, Importer, Wholesale and Distributor of Baby Products

For over 34 years I ran a successful business. While running this business I had to travel to various countries (China, Taiwan,Hong-kong, Turkey, Thailand, Poland, Malaysia, Vietnam, Portugal, Germany, US, South America) to source, negotiate and import goods to comply with British standard.

Being a business man I had to recruit various staff members to support my business and to be able to make it successful.

Education

1972-1978: University of Delhi

BA LLB

Other

I am a founder trustee of the Southwark Hindu Centre. I am responsible for organising monthly meetings as well as other social, cultural and networking events. We have been successfully organising Diwali, Holi and other Hindu festivals with great success from last 30 years. We also have on going free Yoga classes for our members. We have always been self funding centre and it is run majorly by volunteers.

In the past I have been involved in the local Rotary Club, where I helped and supported the club by collecting funds outside various supermarkets.

I have just been appointed patron for BEDE.

Interests and Hobbies

I love spending time with my friends and family. I enjoy going to the gym to keep fit as well as going for long walks. I am also passionately working towards raising money and awareness to provide clean running water in Indian and African villages.