

PRIME MINISTER TO RECEIVE FREEDOM OF ROYAL BOROUGH OF KENSINGTON
AND CHELSEA

We may say that Mrs. Thatcher is "honoured and delighted" by the Royal Borough's decision to grant her the freedom of the Borough. She has lived there for about 25 years. We understand that the ceremony is being arranged for later in the year - October looks a likely month.

See attached Press Release put out last night by the Borough.

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Embargo
20.00 hours - 29.5.79.

Statement by Cllr Nicholas Freeman, Leader of the Council,
on the proposal to grant the Freedom of The Royal Borough,
to the Prime Minister.

"The Policy and Resources Committee resolved this evening to recommend to the Council that the Prime Minister, The Right Honourable Mrs. Margaret Thatcher, M.P., be invited to receive the Freedom of The Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea. I have already received an intimation that Mrs. Thatcher would be pleased to accept the Freedom of the Borough and I am sure that the residents of Kensington and Chelsea will rejoice that one of its most distinguished citizens is to be honoured in this way. It is an honour to her. It is also a very great honour for us."

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