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THE TWO CITIES LUNCH

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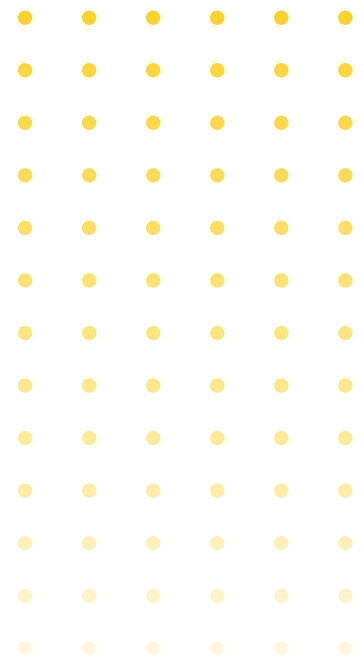


GUEST OF HONOUR

THE RT HON RISHI SUNAK MP

Prime Minister and Leader of the Conservative Party





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The Cities of London & Westminster Conservative Association welcomes you to the 2023 Two Cities Lunch

- 4** *The Two Cities Silent Auction*
- 5** *The Rt Hon Rishi Sunak MP*
Prime Minister and Leader of the Conservative Party
- 7** *Nickie Aiken MP*
Member of Parliament for the Cities of London & Westminster and Deputy Chairman of the Conservative Party
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Please make your bids for our silent auction prizes by following the link below.

Bidding on this auction will go a long way to securing Nickie's and Tony's respective re-elections and **#WinningBackWestminster** City Council. Please bid generously to support the work of our Association!

We want to give you the chance to carry on bidding at home, so the auction will close one week today. **The auction closes at 3pm on Thursday 3rd August.**

Auction Prizes

Bottle of Speaker's Whisky signed by the Prime Minister, the Rt Hon Rishi Sunak MP



Dinner for four at the Hippodrome Casino, followed by VIP tickets at the renowned stage show Magic Mike Live



A round of golf for 4 people at one of London's most iconic golf clubs



Six bottles of Laurent-Perrier Champagne (1812)



Afternoon Tea for two at the Carlton Club with Sir Clive Hubert Lloyd CBE AO, legendary former captain of the West Indies Cricket Team



One bottle of Cask Aged LinGin Benrines, one bottle of LinGin London Dry - both hand crafted in Scotland



A copy of the book Statecraft, signed by its author, the former Prime Minister, Baroness Margaret Thatcher



Make your bid here:
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NICKIE AIKEN MP

Member of Parliament for
The Cities of London and Westminster
Deputy Chairman of the Conservative Party

At The Savoy and The Two Cities Lunches

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|-------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|
| 1964 | The Rt Hon Sir Alec Douglas-Home KT DL MP | 1993 | The Rt Hon Peter Brooke CH MP |
| 1965 | The Rt Hon Edward Heath MBE MP | 1994 | The Rt Hon Kenneth Clarke QC MP |
| 1967 | The Rt Hon Enoch Powell MBE MP | 1995 | The Rt Hon Michael Heseltine MP |
| 1968 | The Rt Hon Anthony Barber MP | 1996 | The Rt Hon William Waldegrave MP |
| 1969 | The Rt Hon Iain Macleod MP | 1997 | The Rt Hon Peter Lilley MP |
| 1970 | The Rt Hon Sir Keith Joseph Bt MP | 1998 | The Rt Hon Michael Ancram QC MP |
| 1971 | The Rt Hon John Davies MBE MP | 1999 | The Rt Hon William Hague MP |
| 1972 | The Rt Hon Robert Carr MP | 2000 | The Rt Hon Ann Widdecombe MP |
| 1973 | The Rt Hon Lord Carrington KCMG MC | 2001 | Mr Iain Duncan Smith MP |
| 1974 | The Rt Hon Lord Windlesham | 2002 | The Rt Hon Iain Duncan Smith MP |
| 1975 | The Rt Hon Sir Keith Joseph Bt MP | 2003 | The Rt Hon Michael Howard QC MP |
| 1976 | Mr Michael Heseltine MP | 2004 | The Rt Hon Michael Howard QC MP |
| 1977 | The Rt Hon Margaret Thatcher MP | 2005 | The Rt Hon Michael Howard QC MP |
| 1978 | Mr David Howell MP | 2006 | The Rt Hon David Cameron MP |
| 1979 | The Rt Hon Lord Home of the Hirsel KT DL | 2007 | Mr George Osborne MP |
| 1980 | The Rt Hon Lord Soames GCMG GCVO CBE | 2008 | The Rt Hon David Cameron MP |
| 1981 | The Rt Hon Lord Thorneycroft CH | 2009 | The Rt Hon William Hague MP |
| 1982 | The Rt Hon Cecil Parkinson MP | 2010 | Mr Boris Johnson |
| 1983 | The Rt Hon Nigel Lawson MP | 2011 | The Rt Hon Philip Hammond MP |
| 1984 | The Rt Hon Norman Tebbit MP | 2012 | The Rt Hon Iain Duncan Smith MP |
| 1985 | The Rt Hon Peter Walker MBE MP | 2013 | The Rt Hon David Cameron MP |
| 1986 | The Rt Hon Lord Young of Graffham | 2014 | Mr Boris Johnson |
| 1987 | The Rt Hon John Major MP | 2015 | Mr Boris Johnson MP |
| 1988 | The Rt Hon Nigel Lawson MP | 2016 | The Rt Hon David Cameron MP |
| 1989 | The Rt Hon Cecil Parkinson MP | 2017 | The Rt Hon Theresa May MP |
| 1990 | The Rt Hon Nicholas Ridley MP | 2018 | The Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP |
| 1991 | The Rt Hon Sir Leon Brittan QC | 2019 | The Rt Hon Theresa May MP |
| 1992 | The Rt Hon Michael Howard QC MP | 2021 | The Rt Hon Boris Johnson MP |

ORDER OF EVENTS

THE **TWO
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LUNCH**

WELCOME

Patrick Evershed CBE

President of the Cities of London & Westminster Conservative Association and
Chairman of the Two Cities Lunch Committee

STARTER

Kaleidoscope of Heritage Beetroot, Watercress Pesto, Orange Gel, Dehydrated Salsify
Crisps and Micro Watercress (VE)

MAIN COURSE

Duo of Lamb; Slow Braised Shoulder and Roasted Rump, Root Vegetable Dauphinoise,
Wilted Stem Broccoli, Crushed Sweet Potatoes, Organic Mint Jus

Wild Mushroom, Celeriac and Chestnut Wellington, Creamed Potato Puree, Glazed
Heritage Carrots, Tenderstem Broccoli, Turnips, Sage Sauce (V)

GUEST OF HONOUR

The Rt Hon Rishi Sunak MP

VOTE OF THANKS

Nickie Aiken MP

DESSERT

Summer Pudding with Chantilly cream (VE)

Followed by
Tea, Coffee and Petits Fours

WINES

Volpi Cortese Amonte Piemonte
Volpi Barbera Amonte Piemonte

TOASTS

His Majesty's Government

Proposed by **James Spencer**,
Chairman of the Cities of London &
Westminster Conservative Association





PATRICK EVERSLED CBE

President of the Cities of London & Westminster
Conservative Association and Chairman of the Two Cities
Lunch Committee

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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I am very pleased to see so many of you here this lunchtime.

I am delighted to welcome Rishi Sunak, the Prime Minister and Leader of the Conservative Party, as our guest of honour. I am very grateful to Mr Sunak for accepting my invitation to speak to our Association today. I am sure that, in part, he accepted my invitation because he knows that the Cities of London and Westminster Conservative lunches are always attended by loyal and hardworking members and supporters of our Party.

This Lunch is always most enjoyable, and it raises a substantial sum of money each year. Running a thriving Conservative Association is very expensive. I am pleased to say our Association also provides support to Conservative Central Office and other Conservative Associations.

The Conservative Party - and the Cities of London & Westminster Conservative Association - exist to win elections.

Locally, we are proud of the hard work of outstanding Member of Parliament Nickie Aiken, who has shown her commitment to constituents regardless of their politics, as any MP should. I am delighted that the Prime Minister has appointed her as

one of our Party's Deputy Chairmen as we prepare for the next General Election.

Our performance in this month's parliamentary by-elections shows that there is everything to play for at the next General Election.

I am so pleased that the newly elected Member of Parliament for Uxbridge, Steve Tuckwell, is with us today. Steve's victory is a personal success for him, and a testament to the hard work of party volunteers and professionals from across London and beyond. This is a welcome boost as we prepare for the London Mayoral Elections next year.

Where we knock on doors, deliver leaflets, and talk to voters, we win. And this is due to the hard work of our candidates and volunteers, with the financial support of many in this room.

I am very grateful to all of you who so generously support our Association and our Party. Thank you for your help.

Lastly, I would like to thank our Association's professional staff, alongside my wife, Sheena, for all they have done to make this Lunch run so smoothly.

Thank you for supporting us again this year!

Patrick Evershed

PATRICK EVERSLED CBE

President of the Cities of London & Westminster Conservative Association
and Chairman of the Two Cities Lunch Committee

The Cities Of London & Westminster Conservative Association

The Association came into being following the redistribution of Parliamentary constituencies in 1948.

Before that the area was covered by three constituencies: Abbey, St George's and the City of London. The Abbey division and the St George division were each represented by one Member of Parliament and the City of London by two.

Sir Harold Webbe, who had represented the old Abbey division from 1938, was elected as the first Member of Parliament for the new constituency in 1950 and continued to represent it until 1959, when he stood down and Sir Harry Hylton-Foster succeeded him.

Sir Harry was elected Speaker in October 1959 and served as both Member and Speaker until his death in 1965. Sir Harry was succeeded by Mr John Smith, who was elected at the ensuing by-election and continued to represent the constituency until 1970. He then decided not to seek re-election and Mr Christopher Tugendhat was elected, retaining his seat in 1974.

In 1976, Mr Tugendhat was appointed a European Commissioner and Mr Peter Brooke was elected as Member of Parliament at the by-election in February 1977.

At the General Elections in 1979, 1983, 1987, 1992 and 1997, Mr Brooke was re-elected to Parliament. For the 1983 election the constituency was extended to include the Hyde Park, Bryanston, Baker Street and Cavendish wards of the City of Westminster. From the 1997 election, the Bayswater and Lancaster Gate wards were also included.

Changes to boundaries for the 2010 General Election saw the Bayswater and Lancaster Gate wards returned to Westminster North constituency and the Bryanston & Dorset Square ward incorporated entirely into the constituency.

Peter Brooke was a member of the Government throughout most of Margaret Thatcher and

John Major's premierships, serving as Whip, in the Department of Education & Science and the Treasury, and as Paymaster General, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland and Secretary of State for National Heritage. He was the Chairman of the Conservative Party from 1987 until 1989. He became a Life Peer in 2001 and served on the Party Board.

The Rt Hon Mark Field was elected as our MP in 2001. Prior to 2010, he served as an Opposition Whip and, successively, as Shadow Minister for London, Shadow Financial Secretary to the Treasury and Shadow Minister for Culture and the Arts.

In the 2010 Parliament, Mr Field served as Chairman of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Venture Capital & Private Equity and Entrepreneurship and Vice Chairman of the APPGs on Bangladesh and Football.

In March 2015, Mark was appointed to Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, in recognition of his service on the Intelligence and Security Committee, which oversees and scrutinises the work of Britain's intelligence services.

Following the 2015 General Election, Mr Field became Vice Chairman (International) of the Conservative Party. After the 2017 General Election, Mark served as Minister of State for Asia and the Pacific at the Foreign & Commonwealth Office.

Nickie Aiken was elected as our Member of Parliament at the 2019 General Election.

Between April 2020 and December 2020, Nickie served as Parliamentary Private Secretary to the Ministerial Team at the Department for Housing, Communities and Local Government.

In September 2022, Nickie was promoted to Deputy Chair of the Conservative Party, having previously served as Vice-Chair for Women and Affiliated Groups. She uses the role to champion London within the central party, and has taken notable roles of leadership within the 2023 London Mayoral hustings and selection process.



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The money helps provide means-tested bursaries for candidates who qualify for assistance. At the last election, the majority of candidates we gave bursaries to won their seats. At the next election, that could be the difference between a Conservative and a Labour government.

But there's much more to do. So if you want to help secure the future of this country, then why not get in touch?

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We encourage all Conservative supporters who live or work in the Cities of London or Westminster to join our Association

Anyone can choose to become a member of any Conservative Association, regardless of where they live, and some people choose to join their 'home' Association as well as the Cities of London & Westminster Conservative Association.

CLWCA is London's Premier League Conservative Association, and part of our role is to help fund Conservative Party campaigning across the country.

By joining CLWCA, you also become a member of the Conservative Party. All Members can choose to play an active role in the Party and receive important voting rights in Party elections.

The minimum annual subscription is £39, although our current average is £48. Our members' subscription fees are an essential part of our income, and the more you choose to give, the more you will help us to get Conservatives elected not just in central London but across the United Kingdom. We cannot continue to do this without your support.

Subject to the Party's rules, as a Member, you'll be able to:

- Decide who represents the Party in Local and General elections
- Vote in elections for the Party Leader and in our Association's AGM
- Attend Party Conferences

In addition, as a member of CLWCA, you will receive:

- Regular email updates
- Advance notice and early-bird tickets for our regular social and networking events
- Our quarterly Blueprint magazine

You can join during today's lunch by speaking to a member of our Events Team, **by calling us free on 0808 123 8181** or online at **twocitiesconservatives.org.uk/join-us**



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