Design and access statement

York Mansion House Flagpole

The Mansion House flagpole was installed in 1868 and has been used to fly national, international flags and community flags since that date. It is the principal flagpole of the City York Council.

Alongside the permitted flag flying, this application is to request permission to allow community flags and other flags to be flown from the Mansion House.

Community flags and other flags are flags which bear a direct relevance to the city and its residents and support the One City, for all, the City of York Council's Council Plan (2023-2027). Such flags can include, but not limited to, York Pride, Trans Awareness and UNESCO City of Media Arts.

All requests to fly a flag are put in writing to the City of York Council in and describe the reason why this has been requested and an image of the flag if applicable and duration. All requests to fly flags have to be agreed by the political Group Leaders and the Lord Mayor.

As a general rule all flags are flown either on the day they support/commemorate or for no more than one week this is to allow the city or other permitted flags to be flown. Excluding the permitted flag flying dates the current number of requests to fly additional flags annually on specific dates stand at 4. In addition to this the City Council may receive request which are not for annual flag flying.

All flag flying is weather dependant, and no flag will be flown in high winds.

The flags themselves are requested to be approximately 182 x 121 (6'x 4') and made of a suitable material to stand weather conditions.