

#### **Application Update**

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# Citizenship ceremony invitation

# Application for British citizenship by Ashish Ranjan Jha

I am pleased to tell you that your application for British citizenship has been approved.

To complete the process of becoming a British citizen, you will need to attend a citizenship ceremony. At the ceremony, you will take an oath or affirmation of allegiance to the Crown and a pledge of loyalty to the United Kingdom. This is a formal promise to His Majesty the King and the United Kingdom. Once you have taken the oath and given the pledge you will be presented with your certificate of British citizenship.

You can find out about the ceremony and the words you need to say for the oath/affirmation and the pledge here: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/british-citizenship-successful-applicants.

At the ceremony, you will receive a certificate which is the legal evidence that you are a British citizen. You should take care of this. You must not change or laminate it.

### What you must do now

Please contact the Citizenship Ceremonies Officer Greenwich to book your ceremony. You must attend your ceremony within three months of the date of this approval email, so please contact the local authority early to ensure you can book a convenient time. Please wait one working days after receiving this approval before you try to book, as it may take a few days for documentation to arrive at the local authority.

For information on how to arrange your citizenship ceremony with Greenwich, please visit Greenwich local authorities' website.

You must bring a copy of this invitation to the ceremony. If you do not, your ceremony will be postponed. Please also bring photo ID to the ceremony, as the registrar may ask to see this.

#### Your previous immigration status

Once you have received your certificate of British citizenship any Biometric Residence Permit (BRP card) you have will no longer be valid and cannot be used as evidence of your status. If you have a BRP card you should return it for secure destruction. You may have to pay a penalty of up to £1,000 if you fail to return an invalid BRP.

Your BRP card should be cut in half and posted (in a windowless plain envelope) to Biometric Product Returns, IFB, 5th floor Lunar House, 40 Wellesley Road, Croydon, CR9 2BY. The postage is not refundable.

If you have any travel documents issued by the Home Office, including expired documents, they should be returned to the Home Office in the same envelope for official cancellation.

If you hold refugee status in the UK, you will lose this status once you become a British citizen.

## **British passport**

Once you have your certificate you can apply for a British passport. You can find out how to apply here: https://www.gov.uk/apply-renew-passport.

#### **Dual nationals**

If you still have another nationality or a non-British passport you can find further information about dual nationalities here: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/british-citizenship-successful-applicants.

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