Lisbett

The Golden Spider suggests I ask quite a small thing in return for the warm ashes.

Just one vote.

He asks that in Conclave, if you go there, you vote to share magical knowledge with the magicians of Jarm.

If you do not go there, he asks that you convince one person to vote that way in your place.

He adds that I should tell you this doesn't mean that I want you to support slavery, or that I support slavery or that The City of Bridges believes slavery to be a good thing.

It is a question of favours and influence. We say – if you want to influence someone, don't make them weaker, make them stronger. We believe – that if you make the Jarmish magicians strong, you have more chance of them sharing other things with you.

There are two other things to say.

One is that if you agree with us, and want to campaign hard to keep sharing magic, you should make sure we know. If Conclave passes a motion to share magic with Jarm and you write to tell us you were part of making that happen then we will owe you a bigger favour than the warm ashes. It will have limits, but we trust you to discuss that well with us if it happens.

The second this is that we are not harsh or trickish with our favours in the City of Bridges. If this thing is too far against your conscience, you may tell us, we will offer something different. We might lose patience if you did this too many times. Once, maybe even twice, that is allowed, when the terms are not fully agreed in advance.

To write to us you cannot use a Winged Messenger. You need a sheet of Herald's Notepaper from the City. Raphaela von Holberg and Kseniya Sloev are both bringing paper to Anvil. You can find Raphaela in the Hub from around the middle of the evening in the Hub on the first night. Kseniya is more likely to be in Anvil in the daytime when troops are away at battle.

May you be rich in favours and friends

Zola Herald of the Lord of the Loom