

## **CROMER HONOURS AWARDS 2017 FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016**

**Excerpts from nomination forms as follows:**

### **MR MICHAEL LORD**

**“Michael Lord has been a paramedic around Cromer for about 30 years. He has saved many lives. He made my husband comfortable on his last evening as he has with many others”**

### **CROMER CARNIVAL SECURITY TEAM**

**“Since setting up on behalf of the Carnival they have attended more and more town functions. They help with so much to keep things running smoothly to benefit the town”**

### **MR RICHARD LEEDS**

**“Richard seems to do all the ‘behind the scenes’ electrical work for all of Cromer’s events. It is much appreciated. He also works for the RNLI and runs an exceptionally helpful shop and electrical service”**

### **JANICE & JIM WOOLSTON**

**“Together they have run a bingo evening at Meadow Close apartments for retired people. Meadow Close is run by Victory Housing but I think it was originally run by the Council. Janice and Jim supply all the prizes for the event. This has been going on for a number of years, maybe for 10 years, and most people in the town that I have mentioned it to have no idea that it is happening”**

## **MRS ANN NORTH-GRAVES**

**“Ann gives so much to other people in the community, each and every day. She has worked with us at the library for several years now, offering advice and support to many of our customers in her role with Age UK North Norfolk. She has a wealth of knowledge and there is no limit to how far she will go to help someone – even if she is struggling with her own health issues – she never lets our customers down. If she promises to do something, she does it.**

**Ann always makes a difference to our customers. When they speak to her they no longer feel quite so helpless or alone. She will put them in touch with befriending services or arrange to meet them herself for coffee and a chat, encouraging them to go along to her coffee morning at The Cottage on a Friday morning.**

**When we have events at the library, Ann is so enthusiastic and will help out in any way she can; drumming up support, offering ideas, contacting people that may be able to help.**

**Basically we want to say that Ann is an amazing person and she gives so much of herself to everyone she meets that we would love the opportunity to acknowledge this and give something back to her, especially as she will be retiring from her roles as advisor for Age UK North Norfolk at the end of January 2017”**

## **CROMER HONOURS YOUTH AWARD - Nominated by Cromer Academy**

### **MISS ELLEN HEDGE**

**“I would like to nominate Ellen Hedge for a Cromer Honours Youth Award. I have known Ellen for 2 years in my capacity as Principal of Cromer Academy. During this time she has absolutely blown me away with her commitment to the school and the community and I can think of few as deserving as Ellen for such an award.**

**Ellen is Deputy Head Student at Cromer Academy and in that capacity she has played a central role in the development of our school. She sits on the School Council and the Student Leadership Team meaning that she has a direct say as to how funds in the school are deployed and what the priorities for development are. She regularly represents the school at events, reading in assemblies and leading tours on Open Days. In this role Ellen has also served other students, seen, for example, in her work on the Prom Committee setting up the Prom for 2017.**

**Ellen actively seeks worthy initiatives that she can support. Within school she initiated and oversaw the Samaritans Purse / Operation Christmas Shoe Box Appeal, collecting over 168 shoe boxes for children in need worldwide and raising £250 to cover the cost of delivery of these boxes. Elsewhere Ellen has completed the Boxing Day Dip at Cromer twice, raising more than £500 for charity.**

**The other issue I wanted to draw attention to is that Ellen has played an active role in the community. She has volunteered at the library for more than 3 years to support the children’s summer reading challenge. Ellen has also volunteered at the Cromer Carnival for – in her own words – ‘as long as I can remember’.**

**In short, Ellen is an absolute superstar. She has made a huge contribution to Cromer Academy and to the Cromer community more broadly. She would be a worthy recipient of a Cromer Honours Youth Award”**

## **MAYOR'S AWARD**

### **CROMER & SHERINGHAM Q J & J PRESERVATION GROUP**

**“For their hard work and fundraising which secured the restoration and preservation of Henry Blogg’s fishing boat which is now on display in the garden at North Lodge”**

### **MR TONY WEST**

**“A posthumous award to be presented to the family of Tony West in recognition of his involvement in the community in Cromer. For two weeks every year Tony (together with Libby) would use his holiday to organise the Carnival Children’s Weeks. He helped arrange the Grove Road Christmas Lights and together with his wife Amanda participated in the Boxing Day Dip. Thank you Tony for bringing a smile to a lot of faces”**