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# The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service 2012

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN has been graciously pleased to confer Her Awards in 2012 upon the following groups in recognition of their outstanding voluntary work in the community.

#### East Midlands

Voluntary Group

Volunteer Skippers and Crew Peter Le Marchant

Inter-Care Medical Aid for Africa Borrowbrook Home Link Market Harborough in Bloom volunteers

The Pera Foundation Friends of Rushcliffe Country Park The Hope Project The Ear Foundation

Activity Description

Crewing our specially-designed canal boats for disabled and seriously ill people regardless of age or ability.

Recycling donated surplus UK medicines for people in African countries.

Supporting the isolated elderly in maintaining independent lives.

Enhancing the visual impact of the town through floral displays and environmental initiatives.

Transforming young lives.

Conserving and developing park amenities for community use and enjoyment.

Supporting families through social and community events

Providing family focused support and education to deaf children.

## East of England

Voluntary Group

Gateway Community Media The Volunteers of the British Schools Museum

Caister Volunteer Lifeboat Service Havens Christian Hospices Manningtree Community First Responders

Sing your Heart Out Homeless Action Resource Project Activity Description

Providing educational support to young people through radio communication skills. Facilitating learning and vocational opportunities for all within a historic complex of classroom buildings.

Saving lives of those in danger on the sea and shores of the East Anglian coastline.

Providing a supporting role to staff, patients, children and their families.

Providing trained support to the local community and the East of England Ambulance Service in life threatening emergencies.

Holding singing workshops for people with mental health issues.

Provision of services and training to people living in limited circumstances.

#### Guernsey

Voluntary Group Activity Description

Guernsey Bereavement Service Providing support and counselling for the bereaved in the community.

Wigwam Support Group Providing friendship, support and advice to families, friends and carers involved in

special needs childcare.

#### Jersey

Activity Description Voluntary Group

Enriching the lives of people in healthcare through live performances and art. The Jersey Arts in Healthcare Trust

#### London

Voluntary Group Activity Description

The South Eastern Branch of Fine Cell Work Training prison inmates in the art of professional needlework.

The Connection at St Martin's Volunteers Supporting vulnerable sections of society with practical and emotional advice.

#### North East

Voluntary Group Activity Description

Blyth Youth Rugby Promoting participation in sporting activities to schoolchildren.

Tyne Sound News Providing an audio news, information and entertainment service to those with sight

impairments.

#### North West

Voluntary Group

Happy Mount Park Volunteers

Diversity in Barrier Breaking Communications

Dee Sign BSL Choir

Chester Adult PHAB Social Club Mersey Weaver District Scout Council

Middleton Popstars Academy of Performing Arts The Salford Diocese Catholic Fellowship for the Handicapped

Activity Description

Maintaining a woodland area and garden for local community use.

Providing disadvantaged people with radio broadcasting skills. Supporting people who are D/deaf and D/deafblind through music, deaf awareness and

fundraising.

Supporting people with and without disabilities to integrate.

Helping young people achieve personal development skills through events and

Offering performance opportunities to young people with disadvantaged lives. Providing social needs support to children and adults with physical or learning

difficulties.

#### Northern Ireland

Voluntary Group

TS Duke of York Portrush Sea Cadets Women's Aid ABCL & N. Volunteers

The R T Autoparts Group Volunteers

Activity Description

Providing nautical training and social community inclusion to young people.

Supporting women and children experiencing domestic abuse through accommodation

and community based services.

Supporting local charities through fundraising events.

#### Scotland

Voluntary Group

Moray Council on Addiction Galashiels Blind Club Inverness Hospital Radio

Nith Inshore Rescue Summerhill Community Centre Volunteers Clydebank Asbestos Group Jewish Care Scotland Linlithgow Union Canal Society

Activity Description

Providing counselling services to people affected by addiction. Providing social activities for those with sight loss and the sighted.

Forty years of continuous dedicated broadcasting to patients in Highlands hospitals,

recognising the therapeutic value of requested music.

Responding to people in distress in coastal waters and flooding.

Developing and facilitating a wide range of services in the heart of the community.

Supporting victims of Asbestos related illnesses.

Providing support to vulnerable and elderly Jewish people.

Encouraging visitor participation in restoration and recreational use of the canal.

#### South East

Voluntary Group

Blue Apple Theatre

The Falcon Rowing and Canoeing Club Volunteers Unity 101 Community Radio Southampton Hospital Broadcasting Association New Forest and District Sailability Carterton Lions Club

Friends of Shanklin Theatre Isle of Wight Railway Company Child Contact Centres Maidenhead and Slough

St Wilfrid's Hospice Chichester

Aylesbury Vale Rural Community Care Service

Slough Refugee Support

Slough Homeless Our Concern Rivertime Boat Trust Daisy's Dream KAŇGAROOS Volunteer Centre Wokingham

Demelza Hospice Care for Children volunteers

The Lightbox Volunteers

Ashford & St Peter's Hospital NHS Foundation Trust Volunteers Watts Gallery Volunteers Sholing Valley Study Centre Association Chatham Dockyard Historical Society Citizen's Rights for Older People The Chiltern Centre for Disabled Children

Nepalese Help-Maddhat Samuha Les Webber's Angling Projects

Activity Description

Supporting people of all abilities who take part in high quality theatre, dance and film performances.

Providing river based sporting activities for children and adults of all abilities. Promoting community cohesion through a multi language broadcasting service.

Helping to keep patients entertained and in touch since 1952. Supporting disabled people through recreational sailing.

Providing a broad spectrum of service and support activities benefitting the Oxfordshire community and wider population, with appropriate fundraising.

Developing and maintaining the facilities of the Theatre for community use.

Providing a community facility for visitors and railway enthusiasts

Providing a safe and secure environment for families to meet after a relationship breakdown.

Giving voluntary support to provide high quality palliative and end of life care to local people in need.

Specialist support provided by AgeUK Bucks daycare volunteers for older people and

Assisting in empowering refugees and asylum seekers in achieving their right to settle with dignity in the Slough community.

Providing a safe environment and community integration for the socially excluded. Providing river based activities to disabled and disadvantaged children and adults.

Supporting children and families facing bereavement. Providing social activities to children and adults with learning difficulties.

Promoting volunteering, social care and community action through brokerage and community service programmes.

Assisting with the needs led specialist care service to children and young people unlikely to reach adulthood.

Supporting gallery and museum staff in the provision of social and educational

Making a difference to patients and their families.

Conserving an historical heritage centre for social and educational public use. Maintaining and improving an urban space through education and active conservation. Preserving the artifacts and displays of the Royal Dockyard Museum for visitors. Providing a free independent advocacy service for older people.

Providing short break respite care to children with complex disabilities and their

Supporting Nepalese immigrants integration in the UK.

Providing residential angling and education courses to schools and local organisations.

#### South West

Voluntary Group

Friends of Devonport Park

Yelvercare

Witness Service Avonvale

Torbay Prostrate Support Association

KingsCare League of Friends

STAK

Carefree

Torbay Hospital League of Friends Swindon Therapy Centre for Multiple Sclerosis Naval Area Community Organisation National Coastwatch Prawle Point Devon

National Coastwatch Institution, Dorset Region

Bere Ferrers Community Shop & Cafe

Crisis Centre Ministries Dorset Action on Abuse

Bluez n' Zuz

The Wilts & Berks Canal Trust

Wilton Riding for the Disabled

National Association for Children of Alcoholics

Activity Description

Restoring and preserving parkland for local community use. Supporting the community through a volunteer service provision.

Providing practical and emotional support to witnesses and their supporters when they

come to court.

Providing empathetic information to people living with cancer and fundraising for innovative treatments.

Providing therapeutic social activities, transport, befriending and holistic care to

patients in Kingsteignton.

Supporting the vulnerable and needy in our community with hot meals, friendship, help

and advice.

Giving young people in and leaving care the chance to do things for themselves and

others.

Providing services to patients, staff and visitors to the Hospital. Giving practical support through therapy to patients and families. Supporting Armed Services families to alleviate stressful situations.

Maintaining a visual watch around the coastline of South Hamms for the safety of

Keeping the community safe by providing highly trained eyes along the coast 365 days

a year.

Providing an essential community amenity in a rural village.

Supporting homeless people through food, care and life skills training.

Working to aid the recovery of adult survivors of childhood abuse through counseling

Providing a safe environment for young people to socialise.

Conserving, restoring and improving a Wiltshire, Swindon and Oxfordshire canal

network benefitting the community and its environment.

Involving young people and adults with social needs in horse riding activities.

Providing information and support to children affected by parental alcohol abuse and

those concerned in their welfare.

#### Wales

Voluntary Group

Student Volunteering Bangor Cancer Aid Merthyr Tydfil Rhayader First Responder Scheme Cruse Bereavement Care Morgannwg Activity Description

Supporting student volunteers working in the community. Helping those whose lives have been touched by cancer. Assisting with medical emergencies in a rural community.

Somewhere to turn to when someone dies.

#### West Midlands

Voluntary Group

Gardening Around Leamington Spa Halesowen Athletic and Cycling Club North Staffs Heart Committee

Wem Amateur Dramatic & Operatic Stage Door

Elford Hall Garden Project

Solihull Hebrew Congregation Thursday Club Pathway Project Rugby Bareboards Trust

The Little Princess Trust

Boulton Paul Aircraft Heritage Project

Dorstone's Front Room

North Staffordshire Special Olympics

Side by Side Theatre

Staffordshire Adults Autistic Society Kewford Eagles Football Club Shackerstone Church Restoration Trust Activity Description

Restoring neglected public spaces for community use.

Involving people of all ages in sporting activities to improve their health.

Improving and advancing Cardiac Care in the region with superior hospital and First Aid equipment and services.

Providing theatre workshops for children of all abilities and backgrounds.

Inclusive involvement of all volunteers in restoring a Grade II listed walled garden and grounds for public use.

Providing support, advice and a social hub for the vulnerable elderly.

Supporting victims of domestic and sexual abuse.

Relieving poverty through the collection, refurbishment and distribution of household

Providing wigs to children suffering hair loss through cancer treatment.

Preserving the history of aviation in the West Midlands.

A self-sustaining community and local resource centre for parishioners and visitors to a

rural village in Herefordshire.

Providing sports training and competitions for people with learning disabilities.

Working alongside adults with learning disabilities, developing their self confidence and

self esteem through use of performing arts.

Providing Autism awareness support through life skills training, activities and events.

Providing children of all abilities with a safe environment to play football.

Restoration of a Grade II\* listed building.

## Yorkshire and the Humber

Voluntary Group Castaway Goole

Mires Beck Nursery

Otley SC Sailfree—RYA Sailibility Bluebell Wood Children's Hospice Volunteers

Hope North East CIC Scarborough and Ryedale Mountain Rescue Team Activity Description

Using musical theatre to provide life-enhancing opportunities for adults and young

people with learning and physical difficulties. Enhancing the lives of people with learning disabilities through horticultural training and work experience.

Giving sailing opportunities to young people with physical and learning difficulties. Donating time, enthusiasm and fundraising ensuring continuation of care to children with shortened life expectancies.

Providing a recovery programme for addicted and homeless prison leavers. Saving lives in wild and remote places.

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