

PRESS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Date October 2024 TOWN MAYOR'S COMMUNITY AWARDS

The Town Mayor of Folkestone, Councillor Abena Akuffo-Kelly, is delighted to welcome nominations for the 'Town Mayor's Community Awards'. These annual Awards provide an opportunity for the Mayor to show his/her appreciation to members of the community who have done something particularly noteworthy in Folkestone within their year in office.

Last year's Awards were presented to individuals who had made significant contributions towards the Bayle Music, Folkestone Rescue, supporting local projects and keeping our Town clean by litter picking and many other community groups throughout Folkestone.

The Town Mayor would now like to invite members of the public to nominate individuals or a local organisation, that they would like to be considered for a Community Award for 2024/25. The criteria for nominees is as follows:

All nominees should:

- Not be an employee of local government or a Councillor for Folkestone.
- Not be employed to perform a specific role in the community.
- Be an unpaid volunteer in the community.
- Be someone that has given up their own time without prompting and offered to help other people or the community.
- The local organisation nominees should be for those that have contributed significantly towards local charitable activities, in addition to their normal services provided for profit.

All nominees should also meet one or more of the following criteria:

- Be someone whose service to the community is worthy of recognition.
- Be someone who deserves recognition for their effort, strength, bravery or achievement.
- Be someone who has achieved something, which benefits their local community or even the whole of the Town.

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If you would like to put forward a nomination then please complete a Nomination Form available from the Town Council Offices in the Town Hall, 1-2 Guildhall Street, Folkestone or by emailing <u>georgina.wilson@folkestone-tc.gov.uk</u>. The deadline for nominations is the end of January 2025.





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Photos – Some of the award recipients for 2023/24

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