



New Romney Town Council – Press Release



PRIDE OF NEW ROMNEY AWARDS

Councillor Patricia Rolfe, the Mayor of New Romney has instigated a new Award scheme entitled 'Pride of New Romney'. Councillor Rolfe explained her reasons for doing so.

"It is important to celebrate the outstanding community service undertaken by many local individuals and organisations within our Town. The new awards will provide a means of expressing gratitude to those people and community groups who willingly demonstrate, by their conduct, words or actions, their commitment to the Town and by so doing, improve the quality of life for local people."

The first two awards were formally presented to recipients by the Mayor at the Annual Town Meeting on Monday 18th April. David Batchelor received a framed certificate for "service to the Community by an individual" in recognition of his past work at the Romney Day Centre. The second framed award was presented to the New Romney Country Fayre Committee (past and present) for 'service to the Community by a Community Group or Organisation' and was accepted by its current Chairman, Frances Wire, on behalf of the Committee.

Councillor Rolfe highlighted the good work of both recipients and expressed her pleasure at being able to formally acknowledge their contribution to the community of New Romney. Both recipients gave a short speech noting that such acknowledgment meant a great deal to them.

Looking forward, it is hoped that the Award Scheme will be developed to encourage nominations to be submitted by the Community for clearly defined categories, to be judged by the Mayor and a small panel, with the intention that the next awards will be awarded at the Annual Town Meeting in 2017. Further details will follow later in the year.

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