



Alne Parish Leisure Association

Alne Parish Leisure Association is delighted to announce that they have been awarded the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service 2022. This is the MBE for volunteer groups.

This award is in recognition of 40 years of service by APLA to the community of Alne in establishing, running, maintaining and improving the sports and leisure facilities on the recreation ground in Alne.

Funding for all these activities comes mainly from the annual Alne Street Fayre which brings in many Alne volunteers in a large community effort which is host to some 2,000 people on the day.

Dr Robert Brech, Honorary Treasurer of APLA for all the 40 years, said:

“This represents a tremendous achievement and we hope that APLA’s many volunteers, both past and present, will feel immensely proud of it. While this award is in appreciation of the whole APLA volunteer community, we would like to take this opportunity to recognise the outstanding contribution over many years of APLA and Street Fayre Chairman Dennis Myers who sadly died last December.”

Suzi Rix, APLA Trustee and the virtuoso Operations Manager of Alne Street Fayre said:

“The most inspiring element of this organisation is how deeply rooted in the community it is. There are hundreds of volunteers making a plethora of different contributions. It is this variety and this co-operation that ensures the longevity and continued evolution of APLA.

During the difficult last two years, the wide-open, free-to-access recreation spaces have been invaluable to the well-being of our village and the surrounding communities.”

“The next Street Fayre is on Sunday 19-June” she added “and we hope to see you there!”