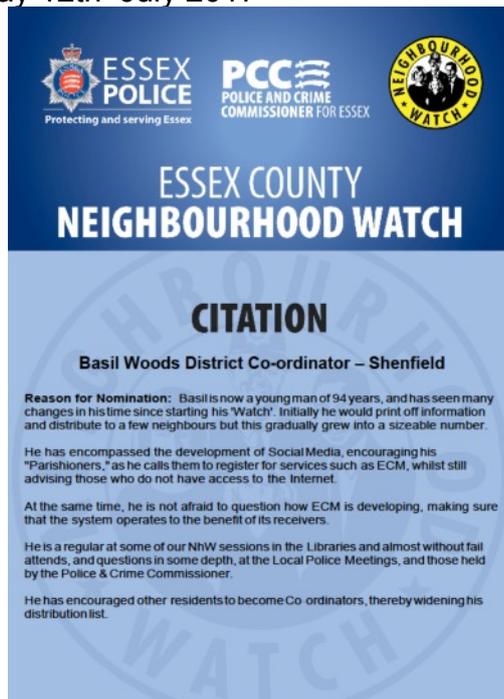


Wednesday 12th July 2017



As well as putting in many years of selfless hard work in developing Neighbourhood Watch, Colin Freeman played a large part in organising this meeting. He was very surprised to receive the special award that you see him holding here.

Engraved on it are the words:-

Presented to Colin Freeman by Clive Stewart, Chairman, Essex County Neighbourhood Watch Association in recognition of his superb efforts and commitment to Neighbourhood Watch whilst working for Essex Police over many years. It was very much appreciated by all the Essex County Neighbourhood Watch Districts.





**ESSEX COUNTY NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH ASSOCIATION
AWARDS – 2017**

CITATION

Clive Stewart, Chair, ECNHWA

Clive became his village Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator 25 years ago, he has an infectious personality which enables him to engage with people and encourage them to undertake and achieve.

Over his years of involvement in NHW, firstly at village level and, in latter years, within the Police structure, and now in the District and County NHW, Clive has led from the front. He will not propose issues he is not willing to undertake himself.

A short while ago NHW was floundering slightly and without the determined effort of Clive we would not have the cohesive force of NHW supporters we now have. Clive created a weekly Nhw newsletter ground which is distributed to at least 1000 people every week and it is further distributed to many others by those who receive it and now is included on the Essex Police ECM.

Clive was elected Chairman of Braintree District NHW Steering group three years ago and has been responsible for increasing NHW throughout Braintree by not only visiting those who are interested but ensuring that they have full information on how to be involved with NHW. He has given many presentations to various organisations, and he has come up with new ideas to not only raise NHW but to find new ways to raise funds for Braintree District, and he is always available to discuss NHW matters.

Another of Clive’s major successes, is with Halstead Steering group joining the Braintree District Steering Group, with meetings changing alternatively at Braintree and Halstead and moving to meeting venues which he has managed to arrange free of charge.

Finally, Clive has also been responsible for the expansion of Halstead NHW (over 40 new members plus street signs being erected), and appointing a Witham Nhw Co-ordinator, which has really expanded Witham NHW tremendously!



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ASSOCIATION AWARDS – 2017**

CITATION

John Wright

District Chairman – Tendring

Since John has taken over as Tendring District Chairman, the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme has gone from strength to strength.

John always attends Community Safety Days with some of his members to try and promote the benefits of NHW and to encourage people to become street co-ordinators.

John, also attends the monthly Community Safety Hub Meeting, on behalf of NHW and he is the conduit for two-way information sharing, obviously disseminating information from the Hub meetings to his members, and bringing information from members to the Hub.

John recently joined a Task and Finish Group set up by myself to start looking at the "Banking Protocol" which is project that we are looking at rolling out across the Banks and Building Societies in Tendring, the project aims to stop vulnerable people becoming victims of crime/ fraud at the hands of Rogue Traders and Fraudsters.

John has set us Facebook page, and this links to the CSP page, and we always receive a weekly NHW newsletter produced by John, to include on our Community Safety Partnership webpage and Facebook.







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CITATION

Kathy McGowan – Co-ordinator Goldings Crescent, Nethermayne, Basildon

Despite many people telling her that she would not succeed, Kathy created an extremely successful NHW in her road as there would be no interest. Through speaking with all the residents, she soon had a membership of over 800. Kathy has also taken on board the role of reporting all instances of fly tipping, ASB, faulty street lighting etc., to the relevant authorities.

Kathy, is a regular user of 101, on behalf of her members and regularly updates them, on all matters affecting her neighbourhood. Not content with just running her own watch, she regularly assists in the canvassing for new watches, and has obtained Co-ordinators for them. Her enthusiasm is boundless!

Reasons for the Nomination: Kathy McGowan is everything you would desire in a Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator and more. What she has achieved in such a short space of time is truly remarkable and she shows no sign of slowing down. Kathy, is committed to serving her members, and this is shown on a daily basis. In recognition of her work, she has already been voted on the Steering Committee of Basildon Borough Neighbourhood Watch, and makes valuable contributions at our meetings.







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CITATION

JOINT AWARD – THURROCK NHW
Co-ordinators: Mary Jupp & Melinda Ballard

Both Mary and her daughter Melinda, work tirelessly on behalf of Thurrock NHW. They are always on the lookout for vulnerable people and ensure that they are embraced by NHW and not left behind.

Melinda has a young family and works full time, and, due to family commitments, has decided to step down due to family commitments.

This award recognises the very valuable contribution that both co-ordinators, have made to the safety and wellbeing of residents through Neighbourhood Watch.

Mary and Malinda were not available to collect the awards but will each be given their own copy.


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**Grahame Stehle – Co-ordinator for Gt. Horkesley
Chair of Colchester NhW**

Reasons for your Nomination: Grahame has been the inspiration and driving force behind the rebirth of Colchester District NhW, working many hours for the community. He has also set up our Twitter Account, our Colchester District NHW Website, and is our active member on the Safer Colchester Operations Group.

The excellent levels of cooperation with Colchester Police have also been well fostered by Grahame's active approach – witnessed by our District Commander, who insists on joining our Executive meetings to ensure that he fully understands and agrees with our aims, objectives and planned outcomes, and does offer help and advice where necessary.




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**Joan Bowerman Co-ordinator – Matching
Epping Forest District NhW**

Epping Forest District NHW, and especially Matching, are incredibly lucky to have someone who knows the area so well, and who actively participates in so much for the community, and waves the banner so passionately, for NHW in the wider community.

Joan, has helped bridge the gap, encouraging all ages in the community to participate in the NHW email scheme, and she has given us credibility, in the early stages, when we relaunched in the wider area some years ago.

Joan is always supportive to her colleagues, and gives so much of her time to NHW, and other groups, where she will always incorporate her love for, and promote the work of NHW.

Joan, has a very caring thoughtful way with her, and quietly looks out, for those who could easily slip through the gaps of life's paving stones.

We are all very grateful that Joan is a valuable member of the District team, and it is true to say, that life here at Epping Forest District NHW would not have progressed as far as it has done, without her constant support.




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**ROSIE SPRINGALL - CO-ORDINATOR
HAWKWELL CHASE, HAWKWELL**

Reasons for Nomination: Rosie, has been a key member of the Rochford District Neighbourhood Watch core Team for over three years, and is also the Co-ordinator for Hawkwell Chase.

In addition to this, she collects and distributes, NfW newsletters, for other co-ordinators around her area, where they have difficulty in collecting them from designated sites.

Rosie, has been involved in voluntary sector projects for many years, and she is a truly inspirational person, who is always a smiling, enthusiastic and unfappable volunteer, and one who supports all, of the NfW events.




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CITATION

**Bernard Hetherington – Co-ordinator Crosby Road,
Westcliff, Southend-on-Sea**

Bernard is actively involved in taking up issues in support of the local community. He encourages members of his Neighbourhood Watch, to tell him when they are going away from home, and keeps a watchful eye on their property.

He is well respected locally, for his tireless work, over many years, liaising with Southend Council and other organisations, to ensure the safety, health, and wellbeing of members of his Neighbourhood Watch.




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Debbie Sampson-Scott – Co-ordinator Hewitt Road, Ramsay, Harwich

Debbie first made an approach in becoming a street coordinator on the 16th November 2016 in an area where Neighbourhood Watch has never had a foothold, and Debbie, started her watch on the 22nd November. Her enthusiasm in setting up her scheme has so far been unparalleled in Tendring, and within days she swiftly signed up 70 new members to Neighbourhood Watch. She has made contact with the local Community Policing Team, and has organised local meetings, where she hopes to expand Neighbourhood Watch, to other streets in the area. Debbie, also keeps her members informed by email, or newsletter, of crimes in the area, and other useful information. Together with her husband, they have volunteered to take part in Days of Action in Harwich.

Reasons for the Nomination: -

Debbie is like a breath of fresh air, and radiates confidence to her members, apart from being a street coordinator, she is involved with other voluntary work and teaches four days a week. Debbie is a perfect ambassador for Neighbourhood Watch, and has taken to the task wholeheartedly balancing it with her other duties, and importantly, is not afraid to ask for advice where necessary. Her members now feel more safe and secure, having Debbie in post and knowing that she will support them.




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Beverley Lum - Co-ordinator, Priors Green, Little Canfield

Priors Green is a major new development in Little Canfield, near Great Dunmow. As part of a district initiative to extend NHW into new housing schemes, Uttlesford NHW leafletted Priors Green and Beverley immediately responded. She took on the job of Village Coordinator for the whole development, consisting of 488 dwellings, and Beverley, personally contacted all the residents in her road, then spread this across, the whole development.

The unique feature of this scheme is that it is run entirely on the internet based upon a group Facebook account, which means that membership communications are quick, comprehensive and very effective.

Reasons for the Nomination: since starting the Scheme in 2014 Beverley has achieved excellent results, and continues to manage it with a healthy enthusiasm. She exemplifies the importance of recruiting younger people into the NHW movement, she is a working mother with a busy life yet still gives her time and effort to support her community.

She has also 'kick started' us into using social media as a means of communication, and has recently joined the District Steering Group to help us fully exploit this growing opportunity.

