

## **Swindon & District Branch**

**Over 41 years supporting those affected by Parkinson's in the Swindon Area**



### **The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service**

The Swindon & District Branch of Parkinson's UK is both pleased and honoured to be a recipient of this prestigious award. It will be official announcement on 2 June from Buckingham Palace in the London Gazette of the recipient of The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service 2019.

The citation that came with this news stated.

The work your group does for the community was very much admired by the Independent Assessment Committee, chaired by Sir Martyn Lewis CBE, and I am delighted to inform you that your group has been selected as a recipient for The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service (QAVS) 2019. This represents a tremendous achievement for your organisation and we hope that everyone involved, and particularly your volunteers, will feel immensely proud of it.

As a winner, you will receive:

Publication of your group's details in a special edition of The London Gazette published at 9am on 2 June, available to view online [The London Gazette](#)

A signed certificate from Her Majesty the Queen presented locally by the Lord Lieutenant for your group's county.

A crystal award with the logo insignia, presented with your certificate. Representatives of the Swindon & District Branch of Parkinson's UK will receive the award from Mrs Sarah Rose Troughton, Lord Lieutenant of Wiltshire on 17 July 2019.

Permission to use the official QAVS Logo.

Dave Logan the Branch Chair and Daphne Logan were invited to and attended a Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace on 29 May as representatives of the Swindon Branch.

We are sorry for keeping our Branch members and others in the dark for the past few weeks about this great honour bestowed on our Branch. We were however, advised that the notification has been sent in confidence and it was vital not to reveal the Branch was a recipient of the Award before the official announcement on 2 June from Buckingham Palace. Also that any breach of confidence could result in the withdrawal of the Award so please keep it to yourself until 2 June.

On behalf of the Branch, I would like to thank the Independent Assessment Committee, chaired by Sir Martyn Lewis CBE and also past and present Branch committee members for their commitment which helped our Branch being recognised and being awarded this great honour.

Dave Logan  
Chair  
Parkinson's UK – Swindon & District Branch

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