

# LIFE IN LINCOLNSHIRE

*News from around the county*

## PRIDE IN THE JOB

A Lincolnshire builder has won a national accolade for his management of a building site in the county.

Rod Bell, site manager for Horncastle-based Bell and Shinn Developments, beat off competition from 18,000 others to be named best site manager in the small builder category of the NHBC Pride in the Job awards.

Mr Bell, who scooped the award for his management of a new homes site at Maltby Way in Horncastle's Banovallum Gardens, was presented with the award by TV presenter Melissa Porter at a gala ceremony at London's Royal Lancaster Hotel.

With forty years experience in the building trade, Mr Bell (56) said the winning formula was 'team work, quality control and the finished product'. He added: "We're delighted to have won this award. It was a team effort and everyone on the site contributed to it.

"We were judged three times over the year and every aspect of our work had to be completed to a high standard. All builders start with the same materials and we just finished them better than others."

The Pride in the Job awards are

only presented to site managers who demonstrate outstanding levels of skill across thirty-eight areas of site management, including technical expertise, quality control and health and safety.

NHBC's Chief Executive Imtiaz Farookhi said: "To win a Pride in the Job Award at this level takes an exceptional level of hard work and commitment and the winners are to be applauded for their achievement."

## GAINSBOROUGH CARE HOME REWARDED

A Gainsborough nursing home has been recognised at a special ceremony in London for achieving the 'Gold Standard' in end of life care. Social campaigner and Liberal Democrat peer Baroness Julia Neuberger presented the awards at a ceremony in London, sponsored by Help the Aged and new charity Omega.

Grosvenor House is one of twenty-five homes to have completed the Gold Standards Framework for Care Homes Training Programme.

The programme, recommended in the Government's End of Life Care Strategy, aims to improve the quality of care for those in the last years of their life, provide better co-ordination with

primary care teams and specialists and reduce avoidable hospital admissions. To qualify for accreditation, care homes must have undertaken the full training programme over nine months, embedded this into their homes for at least six months and then undertaken a rigorous accreditation process 'Going for Gold.'

Grosvenor House manager Barbara Bussey said "The whole team at Grosvenor House are very proud of our achievement, in being one of the first care homes in the country to be fully accredited against this standard. We strive to ensure everybody at Grosvenor House enjoys a very high quality of life, and that it is equally, if not more so, important for people who are in their final years of life. Ensuring that our ethos and practice are fully aligned to the very best understandings and research available will only help to ensure all our residents, their families and friends benefit from the Living Well at Grosvenor House programme."

## SUPPORT FOR MILLY

The Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families Association (SSAFA) Forces Help have recently



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