

Newham Deanery Youth

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## OVER 1200 CELEBRATE EXCELLENCE IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AT THE 28TH ANNUAL LGC AWARDS

## **GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND**



On the evening of 11 June 2024, more than 1,200 professionals from local authorities across the United Kingdom gathered at the prestigious Grosvenor House in London for the 28th annual Local Government Chronicle (LGC) Awards. The event, heralded as the premier occasion celebrating the significant contributions of local government officers and politicians, showcased the sector's dedication to innovation and service excellence.

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The ceremony featured entries from council teams nationwide, all evaluated by a panel of senior officers from various councils. This peer-review process aims to foster and recognise innovative practices that could inspire other councils to enhance their services.

The evening was enlivened by actor and presenter Will Mellor, who took to the stage to announce the winners. Among the notable recognitions was the award for Council of the Year, which went to Great Yarmouth BC, highlighting their outstanding achievements in local government over the past year.

One particularly touching moment occurred when a student tutor from Newham Deanery proudly presented images of his mother, celebrating her contributions and influence with great pride. Additionally, Newham Deanery's own Mrs. Adelaide Diniz Moto was honoured with a prestigious award for her tireless volunteer work, further highlighting the exceptional contributions of individuals within the local government sphere.

LGC editor Sarah Calkin underscored the importance of the event in her remarks



Adelaide Moto pictured centre middle

## "CARING FOR THE MOST VULNERABLE IN OUR COMMUNITIES"

"There is surely no greater demonstration of how important local government is to the functioning of the country than its delivery of democracy itself," Calkin said. She emphasised the relentless effort of local government professionals who have recently managed another significant electoral process. "The LGC Awards 2024 shortlist is full of tales of dedicated teams and individuals going above and beyond day after day, often in extremely challenging circumstances to care for the most vulnerable in our communities," she added.

Calkin further noted that the LGC Awards are not just about recognising achievements on one night but are a crucial platform for sharing innovative solutions and creative practices across the local government sector.

The ceremony concluded with a note of appreciation for the participants, attendees, judges, and sponsors, whose support makes the event possible. Congratulations were extended to all winners and finalists, celebrating their commitment to serving and enhancing their communities through their dedicated work in local government.

