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DERBYSHIRE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE CELEBRATE LONG SERVICE AND GOOD CONDUCT OF EMPLOYEES

On Thursday 6 September 2018, Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service held its Annual Awards Ceremony at the 3aaa County Cricket Ground, Derby, honouring 16 individuals who have completed 20, and 40 years' service.

The event, which was sponsored by Imperial Commercials, Bristol Uniforms and FireAngel was hosted by Derbyshire's Chief Fire Officer/Chief Executive, Terry McDermott.

This year ten operational employees were awarded the 20 Year Queen's Fire Brigade Long Service and Good Conduct Medal, presented by her Majesty the Queen's representative in Derbyshire, The Lord-Lieutenant, Mr William Tucker. This medal is presented to those who have provided long and meritorious service to the UK Fire & Rescue Service.

In addition, Councillor Kevin Buttery, Chair of the Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Authority, presented five support employees with engraved pens to mark 20 Years' Long Service and Good Conduct, and one employee with a lead crystal vase to honour 40 Years' Long Service and Good Conduct in the Fire and Rescue Service and Local Government.

Speaking at the beginning of the evening, Chief Fire Officer/Chief Executive Terry McDermott said: "It is an honour to be here this evening, celebrating and recognising the long service and good conduct of individuals from across the Service; individuals who have dedicated many years to making Derbyshire safer.

"In recognising the long service of our employees, it is equally an honour to welcome their families here this evening too. Family and friends are the hidden support network for all of our

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Terry McDermott MA
Chief Fire Officer / Chief Executive



employees, the ones who listen, the ones who are in the background quietly providing the support necessary to allow them to do the jobs they do – for this I am thankful.

“This evening will be a proud occasion for all, and I hope everyone who has attends can reflect on the achievement of those receiving a medal, or an award, knowing that without such a dedicated workforce, the Service would simply be unable to achieve the successes it has had in reducing the number of emergency incidents across Derbyshire.”

20 Year Medal Recipients:



Standing (L-R): WM Simon Booth, FF Andrew Holmes, WM Pete Janes, FF Christopher Hainsworth, WM Rob Mears, CM Lee Bowyer, FF Steven Clough

Seated: FF Neil Sutton, Chief Fire Officer/Chief Executive Terry McDermott, The Lord-Lieutenant of Derbyshire, Mr. William Tucker, SM Carly Pointon, FF Nicholas Hinchley

Stationed at:

WM Simon Booth (Glossop Fire Stn)

FF Andrew Holmes (Chesterfield Fire Stn)

WM Pete Janes (Swadlincote Fire Stn)

FF Christopher Hainsworth (Retired)

WM Rob Mears (Chesterfield Fire Stn)

CM Lee Bowyer (On-Call Wirksworth Fire Stn)

FF Steven Clough (On-Call Duffield Fire Stn)

FF Neil Sutton (On-Call Clay Cross Fire Stn)

FF Nicholas Hinchley (On-Call Clay Cross Fire Stn)

20 and 40 Year Long Service and Good Conduct Award Recipients:



Seated: (L-R) Chair of the FRA Cllr. Kevin Buttery, Chief Fire Officer/Chief Executive Terry McDermott, Anne-Marie Lintin

Standing: (L-R), Keith Stevenson, Roy Sands, Gail Hopkinson, Carl Wilton, Richard Wainwright

SM = Station Manager

CM = Crew Manager

FF = Firefighter

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