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## North Yorkshire residents awarded British Empire Medals

A group of North Yorkshire residents who have made contributions to their local communities received their British Empire Medals this week.

They were awarded the British Empire Medal earlier this year and each received their medal at County Hall, Northallerton from Mr Barry Dodd CBE, The Queen's Representative, The Lord Lieutenant of North Yorkshire. The Medal is awarded for sustained and notable contribution to the local community.

The people who received the award came from across the Lieutenancy are as follows:

George Alfred Carter – for services to the community in Stokesley.

**Malcolm Dawson** – for services to Higher Education and Students. Malcolm is Security Operations Manager at the University of Leeds.

**Joyce Gee** – for services to Children and Young People with Special Needs through the Deanne Gee Memorial Fund in York.

**Bridget Rosemary Marshall** – for services to charitable fundraising. Bridget is the Yorkshire County Organiser for the National Gardens Scheme (NGS). In 2013 the Yorkshire NGS raised £134,000 for nursing and caring charities, with £80,000 of it coming from the 75 gardens under Bridget's wing.

**Andrew Stephen Wood** – for services to Higher Education and University Catering. Andrew is Executive Chef at the University of York.

Andrew Richard George Dow's medal for services to Railway Heritage will be awarded posthumously to his family in a private ceremony at their home.

**Picture shows:** Front: left – Mrs Joyce Gee BEM right – Mrs Bridget Marshall BEM. Back: left to right Cadet Flight Sergeant Jessica Grainger, Lord-Lieutenant Mr Barry Dodd CBE, Cllr David Jeffels Chairman of NYCC, Mr Andrew Wood BEM, Mr George Carter BEM, Mr Malcolm Dawson BEM, Vice Lord-Lieutenant Mr Peter Scrope, Cadet Sergeant Chloe Grieves

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