



PRESS RELEASE

Winners of the Christmas Window Competition 2022

Our thanks to all the Loughton businesses that decorated their windows and joined in the town's festive celebrations in this year's Christmas Window Competition. All Christmas-themed shop windows were automatically eligible for the competition and split into four classes of entry – local/independent businesses, multiples/chain stores, charity shops and eateries (cafes, pubs and restaurants).

The judges this year were Town Mayor, Barbara Cohen, along with Councillor Carol Davies. The winners chosen were Emily Grace, Florist, in the *local/independents*, for its attention to detail and superb effort; Chigwell Window Centre in the *Multiples*, for its eye-catching and appealing artistic and unusual imagery; St Clare Hospice Shop Debden for the *Charities* for its artistic use of props to create a very festive effect; and Aura for the *Eateries*, who had created a very impactful and atmospheric display.

Congratulations to the winners who received an engraved silver cup and a laminated certificate.

Class	Winning businesses	£75 donation made to nominated charity by the Town Council
LOCAL/INDEPENDENT		
Winner	Emily Grace, Florist, 51 The Broadway, IG10 3SP	National Autistic Society, 393 City Road, London EC1V 1NG.
Runners-up	Elliott James, 165 High Road, IG10 4LF Woodbury Homes, 244 High Road, IG10 1RB	
Highly commended	Loughton Tiling, 70 The Broadway, IG10 3ST	
MULTIPLE/CHAIN STORE		
Winner	Chigwell Window Centre, 305-307 High Road Loughton, IG10 1AH	Haven House Children's Hospice, The White House, High Road, Woodford Green, IG8 9LB.
Runner-up	Kaspa's, 301-303 High Road, IG10 1AH	
Highly commended	Lawlors, 120 High Road, IG10 4HJ	

CHARITY SHOPS		
Winner	St Clare Hospice, 72 The Broadway, IG10 3SY	St Clare Hospice Hastingwood Road Hastingwood Essex CM17 9JX
Runner-up	The Children's Society, 20 The Broadway, IG10 3ST	
EATERIES (Cafes, Pubs & Restaurants)		
Winner	Aura, 179-181 High Road, Loughton, IG10 4LF	Haven House Children's Hospice, The White House, High Road, Woodford Green, IG8 9LB.
Runners-up	Atesh Grill & Bar, 280-282 High Road, IG10 1RB	

The national charities chosen by the category winners will each receive a £75 donation from the town council and this year they are:

- The National Autistic Society, the leading UK charity for autistic people (including those with Asperger syndrome) and their families. Providing information, support and pioneering services, and campaign for a better world for autistic people.
- Haven House Children's Hospice, who support families looking after children and young people aged from birth to 19 years old who have life-limiting or life-threatening conditions.
- St Clare Hospice, who provide hospice care, supporting over 200 hospices in the UK.

Photo and credits: The Town Mayor, Cllr Barbara Cohen presenting the awards



Local / independent class winner
Emily Grace Florist
(L to R) Left to right Emily Grace, Owner and
Loughton Town Mayor – Cllr Barbara Cohen

Multiple /chain store class winner
Chigwell Window Centre
(L to R): Gary Lytton, Manager and
Loughton Town Mayor, Cllr Barbara
Cohen



Charity shop class winner
St Clare Hospice Shop, Debden (L to R)
Volunteers - Sally, Giles, with Loughton Town
Mayor Cllr Barbara Cohen, Janet and Brian



Eateries class winner
Aura
The Team at Aura with LoughtonTown Mayor
Cllr Barbara Cohen

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