

## PRESS RELEASE

## Winners of the Christmas Window Competition 2023

Loughton Town Council thanks all the town's businesses that decorated their windows and joined in the festive celebrations for 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, Mick Stubbings, along with Councillors Carol Davies and Stella Murphy. The winners chosen were Elliott James, Estate Agents, in the local/independents, for a most impressive display of Christmas foliage offset by delightful atmospheric twinkly lights; Madison Fox, Estate Agents in the Multiples, for its opulent white and silver festive spectacle; Haven House Children's Hospice Shop, in the Charities with its festive red theme and artistic use of props; and The Aviary for the Eateries, who had created an impactful display of three large wreathes, twinkling lights and sparkly baubles.

Class	Winning businesses	<b>£75</b> donation made to nominated charity by the Town Council
LOCAL/INDEPENDENT		
Winner	Elliott James, 165 High Road, IG10 4LF	Cancer Research UK 2 Redman Place, London, E20 1JQ.
Runners-up	Loughton Tiling, 70 The Broadway, IG10 3ST Jimmy's Barbers, 42 The Broadway, IG10 3SY	
Highly commended	Woodbury Homes, 244 High Road, IG10 1RB Tony's, 61 The Broadway, IG10 3SP	
MULTIPLE/CHAIN STORE		
Winner	Madison Fox, 94 High Road, IG10 4HT	Haven House Children's Hospice, The White House, High Road, Woodford Green, IG8 9LB.
Runners-up	The Ginger Pig, 165a High Road, IG10 4LF	

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

	William Hill, 71/73 The Broadway, IG10 3SP	
Highly commended	Chigwell Window Centre, 305-307 High Road, IG10 1AH	
CHARITY SHOPS		
Winner	Haven House Children's Hospice, 188 High Road, IG10 1DN	Haven House Children's Hospice, The White House, High Road, Woodford Green, IG8 9LB.
Runner-up	Barnardo's, 59 The Broadway, IG10 3SP	
EATERIES (Cafes, Pubs & Restaurants)		
Winner	The Aviary Bar & Brasserie 3 Centric Parade, 200 High Road, IG10 1DN	3Food4U 13 Sun Street, Waltham Abbey, EN9 1ER.
Runners-up	Atesh Grill & Bar, 280-282 High Road, IG10 1RB Wimpy, 168A High Road, IG10 1DN	
Highly commended	Aura, 179-181 High Road, IG10 4LF Tom, Dick & Harry's, 153 High Road, IG10 4LF	

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

- Cancer Research UK, the world's largest independent cancer research organisation. Funding some of the world's best scientists to carry out cutting-edge research that saves and improves lives every day, bringing about a world where everybody lives longer, better lives, free from the fear of cancer.
- 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.
- 3Food4U, local food and clothes bank, treating and supporting people humanely with dignity and respect.

Photo and credits: The Town Mayor, Cllr Mick Stubbings presenting the awards



Local / independent class winner Elliott James Estate Agents (L to R) Left to right Lauren, Priya, Grace, Annabelle, Loughton Town Mayor – Cllr Mick Stubbings, Elliott Lawlor with *Grayson*, Heidi, Danny, Daniel & Freddy

Multiple /chain store class winner Madison Fox Estate Agents (L to R): Wayne, Loughton Town Mayor, Cllr Mick Stubbings, Jamie & Simon





Charity shop class winner Haven House Children's Hospice Shop, (L to R) Volunteers - Ben, Ashleigh, with Loughton Town Mayor Cllr Mick Stubbings, and Louise



Eateries class winner The Aviary Taylor, Lucian, Loughton Town Mayor Cllr Mick Stubbings, & Michelle with 11week old Ottillie

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