

High Sheriff Honours Cumbria Flood Recovery Fund

At an event celebrating his year in office as the High Sheriff of Cumbria, James Carr made a very special award to Deb Muscat of Cumbria Community Foundation in 'recognition of great and valuable services to the community'.

Deb (the then acting Director of the Foundation) headed the successful Cumbria Flood Recovery Fund established by Cumbria Community Foundation after the floods of 2009. The Flood Recovery Fund has raised over £2.5 million and supported over 1,300 households affected by the floods and 87 voluntary and community organisations across the county.

The award is one given by the High Sheriff on behalf of the people of Cumbria. It recognises their appreciation of Deb's 'activity and contribution in enhancing the life of the community'.

At the event hosted in a grand marquee in the gardens of his beautiful house James Carr said 'I was delighted to be able to recognise publicly the outstanding work carried out by the Foundation's team under the leadership of Deb Muscat, following the Cockermouth floods'.

Deb was delighted to be awarded this accolade and said after the event 'I am not often left speechless'. She added 'The Cumbria Flood Recovery Fund is very much a team effort. Its success is not down to just one individual but to the staff team at Cumbria Community Foundation, the 5,000 people and organisations who made donations to the fund and to all the voluntary and community groups that have and continue to support the affected communities. Although I feel personally honoured I accept this award on behalf of many more'.



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