QEH 40 Hero award relaunched

The Queen Elizabeth Hospital King’s Lynn has relaunched its search for a QEH 40 Hero to mark its 40th birthday.

The QEH 40 Hero award was originally launched earlier this year but the COVID-19 pandemic meant that the award nominations were put on hold while staff at QEH worked together to tackle the virus on the frontline.

Now that the Trust is well into its recovery plans and in celebration of the Trust’s 40th birthday today (22 July 2020) the award has been relaunched.

Caroline Shaw, Chief Executive from the Queen Elizabeth Hospital King’s Lynn said: “It feels like the right time to relaunch these important awards. Since they were initially launched earlier this year our amazing staff have worked through some of the hardest times I have known in my NHS career so it only feels right to relaunch these awards on our special birthday.

“We are looking for nominations from the local community, partners, our own staff and other stakeholders to honour an exceptional member of our current staff.

“Essentially the award is for a current member of QEH staff who have really gone above and beyond for our patients and our Trust. Do you know someone currently working at QEH who has gone the extra mile or who has helped you personally? – we would love hear from you.”

To nominate someone for an award they must currently be working for the Queen Elizabeth Hospital King’s Lynn, they can be in a clinical or non-clinical role and you must be able to demonstrate how they have made an exceptional contribution to outstanding patient care. The judges will be looking for any nominations to demonstrate how the individual has shown compassion, how they have involved patients and families in the care they receive and in decision-making and the individuals special qualities that make them worthy of this award.

Nominations are open until 11.59pm Monday 31 August and a public vote to select the final winner from a shortlist will open in September 2020.

The winner will be announced at the QEH staff awards to be held on Friday 6 November 2020 and they will have a plaque unveiled at the hospital as a permanent reminder of their contribution to the Trust.

Any previous nominations submitted before 22 July 2020 will be discarded so please resubmit any prior nominations.

You can nominate someone by completing this [form](https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/JZV6M8C) and returning it by email to [communications@qehkl.nhs.uk](mailto:communications@qehkl.nhs.uk)