

National Award for Relate Cambridge Hero



Claire Godward - Centre Director at Relate Cambridge - is delighted to announce that, following nomination as Relate Hero for 2017, a panel of judges voted for Elaine Taylor to receive the Peter Bell Prize for Outstanding Contribution to Clinical Practice.

Peter Bell started his time at Relate in 1994 working as a counsellor and supervisor. He became Head of Clinical Practice in 2005 till 2012 before retiring. He continued to work as a counsellor in Kent before retiring due to health reasons. Sadly Peter passed away in 2016.

Claire said 'I was delighted to hear that Elaine had won the award – it is very well deserved'. Elaine was nominated in the category by Claire and Chris Sherwood (Chief Executive Officer for Relate UK), and the judging panel agreed that the outstanding contribution Elaine has made to the Relate Federation over the last 23 years should be recognised.

Elaine said 'I was thrilled to be nominated for this award and it was a very proud moment for me when I collected it and one which I will never forget'.

Elaine was presented with her award at the Relate Annual Meeting in London on 2nd November. This occasion also provided an opportunity for the second performance of the Relate Cambridge choir Relatively Composed, who once again received a standing ovation from the audience.

Notes to editors:

- Work with us at Relate Cambridge – we currently have vacancies for Trustees and volunteer receptionists.
- Relationships are the beating heart of our lives – when they aren't healthy, we suffer. That's why Relate, the UK's leading relationship support charity, is here to help.
- Relate champions the importance of strong and healthy relationships for all as the basis of a thriving society.
- Nearly 3 million people in the UK are in distressed relationships – that's 1.4 million families at breaking point.
- Relate's work helps prevent loneliness, depression, abuse, homelessness, debt and many other life-shattering events that can happen when relationships go wrong.
- Relate's non-judgmental services helped more than 1.5 million people last year, of all backgrounds and sexual orientations.
- Relate will celebrate its 80th birthday in 2018.
- Visit relate.org.uk or call 0300 100 1234 to find out more.
- Relate is a registered charity number 207314.