



Outstanding Service to the Parish Award

At a special meeting of Atworth Over 55s Afternoon Tea, Marjorie Long was given an award for her outstanding service to the Parish of Atworth. I presented her with a beautiful certificate, flowers and wine. I was delighted and privileged to give the award as it was extremely well deserved, and long overdue.

Marjorie, now ninety-five years of age, had moved to Atworth in 1940. She was the founder of Atworth Girl Guides which she delighted in running for forty two years and especially enjoyed the camping expeditions. She was an active Women's Institute member and became President. She assisted her husband with the Atworth Flower Show for very many years. Marjorie is a caring and considerate friend to many villagers whose lives have been enriched by her friendship and help. She has been at the heart of helping to make Atworth a living and caring community.

Marjorie said "I have enjoyed working with the Guides and watching them grow up into independent young women; it never seemed like such a long time to me. Lots of things have changed, and lots of my friends are no longer here, but I have always loved living in Atworth. I have always been very, very happy here."

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