



## **Local officer scoops Welsh region bravery award**

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An heroic officer from Cardiff has tonight received the Welsh regional award for bravery at the 15th annual Police Bravery Awards in London, organised by the Police Federation of England and Wales and The Sun Newspaper.

The award was received at a glittering ceremony at The Dorchester Hotel which followed a reception at 10 Downing Street where the officers along with over 50 other nominees, met the Prime Minister, David Cameron and Home Secretary, Theresa May.

Out on routine patrol in an unmarked police car one evening in December 2008, PC Elizabeth Window spotted a woman poised to jump off Clarence Road Bridge in Cardiff. The woman had been reported missing from the local hospital where she was receiving grievance care after losing her partner in a suicide jump from the very same bridge one year earlier.

PC Window stopped the police car and approached the woman cautiously so as not to cause alarm. The officer heard the woman muttering that she was going to jump. Just as the woman was about to throw herself from the bridge, PC Window grabbed hold of her hands but her feet left the ledge. For some time PC Window struggled to hold on to the woman until a passing taxi driver came to her assistance. Between them they managed to eventually pull the woman to safety.

Without the actions and bravery of PC Window the woman would most certainly have succeeded in killing herself.

As for the good Samaritan taxi driver, the local hero left the scene as quickly as he had appeared and has never been identified and publicly thanked for his heroism and assistance that day.

Paul McKeever, chairman of the Police Federation of England and Wales says:

“This officer deserves the highest praise for her incredible bravery. Her courage is an example to us all and we hope this award goes some way towards recognising PC Window’s heroic actions.”

Editor of The Sun Newspaper Dominic Mohan says:

“PC Window acted with great courage and dedication in bringing this lady to safety. She is a real credit to her force and it is an honour for us to be able to recognise her bravery with this award.”

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