

## HONORARY COLONELS' COMMENDATION

References: Regimental Senate Terms of Reference

## **GENERAL**

- 1. The concept of the Honorary Colonels' Commendation was added to the Regimental Senate's Terms of Reference in approximately 2005. The purpose of the PWOR Honorary Colonels' Commendation is to publicly recognize outstanding contribution to the well-being of the Regiment. Recognition will be to members of and supporters of the Regimental family. Recipients may be serving members of the unit or other contributors, either military or civilian. A maximum of four commendations per year may be presented (a special case must be made for additional commendations with the decision being the discretion of the Honorary Colonel). Determination of recipients will be the prerogative of the Honorary Colonel and Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel, however, they will first consult the Commanding Officer, who will be requested to consult the DCO and RSM
- 2. Awarding of the Honorary Colonels' Commendation will take place at a significant Regimental event, typically the Annual Regimental Birthday, Christmas dinner or a major parade. The names of recipients are prominently displayed in the Officer's Mess. A description of the Honorary Colonel's Commendation is also displayed with the names of recipients. It reads as follows.

"The Honorary Colonels' Commendation was initiated by the then serving Honorary Colonels in October, 2005 and was approved by the Regimental Advisory Council of the Princess of Wales' Own Regiment. This prestigious unit award may be granted to any member of the Regimental Family, past or present and is bestowed upon a nominated recipient for exemplary service considered to be above and beyond that normally expected of a member of the Regimental Family. Its purpose is to recognize "selfless dedication, loyalty and determination in helping to further the moral, efficiency, stature and well-being of the Regiment and its soldiers". No more than four "commendations" will be awarded in any given year and the selection must be sanctioned by the Regimental Advisory Council with the final authority being vested in the serving Honoraries"

- 3. During the presentation, each individual will have their citation read out to the gathered audience. They will then be called forward and presented with their commendation by the Honorary Colonel.
- 4. Each recipient of an Honorary Colonels' commendation will receive a signed commendation scroll, framed in the regimental colours. Their name will also be added to the list of recipients on display in the Officers' Mess. That list is replicated on the web site.