

**Midlothian Council**  
**Tuesday 31 March 2026**

**MOTION**

This motion calls on the Council to congratulate Roy Johnston and his late wife Anne on 45 years of shopkeeping in Dalkeith.

Roy and Anne operated two shops in the town - one in Komarom Court and one on the High Street - and for more than four decades served the people of Dalkeith with dedication and commitment.

Independent local shops are the lifeblood of our communities, and it is only right that the Council formally recognises and congratulates the Johnston family for their valued contribution to Dalkeith and to Midlothian as a whole.

Council also recognises, thanks and congratulates Eileen Stoddart who recently retired from the Dalkeith Oxfam shop after 40 years of dedicated service.

Moved: Councillor Colin Cassidy



Seconded: Councillor Margot Russell

