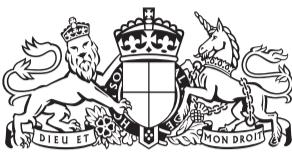




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Heartbroken parents fighting bravely to win justice for the daughters they lost given awards in New Year list

By Andy Jehring

PARENTS who turned the anguish of losing their daughters into campaigns for justice take pride of place in today's New Year's Honours.

Diana Parkes said it was 'bittersweet' to be made a CBE for her tireless work since daughter Joanna Simpson was killed by an abusive ex-partner.

She is joined on the honours list by Ian Russell who said his 14-year-old daughter Molly would be 'very proud' of her legacy. He was handed an MBE for his campaign for online safety in the wake of her suicide.

The list is dominated by showbusiness names, with legendary singer Shirley Bassey, bonkbuster author Jilly Cooper and Glastonbury founder Michael Eavis among them.

But some other awards may raise eyebrows, including knighthoods for a convicted fraudster and for an outspoken Covid scientist who



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