

Best shop award for Jug and Bottle

A Bubwith-based delicatessen and off-licence has been recognised as Yorkshire and Humberside's 'Best Shop' in a national newspapers fourth annual food awards.

The Jug and Bottle, an independent business in Main Street, recently received the honour in the March edition of *The Observer's* Food Monthly magazine.

The annual awards, voted for by the magazine's readers, were set up to recognise producers, shopkeepers and other outlets that do not normally win awards, either because they are not high profile enough, the proprietors are too busy with their businesses to enter, or because such businesses are based in an area that other awards do not reach.

Unexpected recognition

Jug and Bottle owner Louise Smith said: "We were so excited and amazed to win such an award, it was quite unexpected.

"We enjoy offering our customers something a little bit different.

"Thanks to everyone who voted for us - it will be a great boost for us as we move to our new location, allowing us to introduce some new products and provide a little more space for people to relax and enjoy the atmosphere of the shop."

The Jug and Bottle was re-opened in late 2002 by Louise and Doug Smith, after being closed by the previous owners. Five years on, the business has grown to such an extent that it will be relocating later this year to converted premises in the old Victorian school in Main Street.

The new premises will have off-street parking, and the owners plan to use the opportunity for expansion to introduce some new ranges of stock.

Pictured is Jug and Bottle owner Louise Smith who was delighted to here that so many of her customers had nominated her to The Observer newspaper for an award. (12-04-26 SP)

