



Annual General Meeting and Awards Celebration 2024 Nomination form

At the Community First AGM we want to recognise and celebrate the exceptional contribution made by groups and individuals who we work with or support. If you know someone who should be recognised, please complete and return the nomination form below, by Wednesday 11th September 2024. This can be done by post or by email to Nicky Theobald - ntheobald@communityfirst.org.uk.

The category winners will be invited to the presentation on Wednesday 9th October 2024 to receive their awards.

AGM Awards

1. The Arthur Laflin Volunteer Award
2. The Michael Jones Award for Inspirational Link Scheme or Community Minibus volunteer
3. Community Project funded through the Landfill Communities Fund programme (*or individual who has made it happen*)
4. The Martin Hamer Special Recognition Award
5. Most Innovative Community Run Project or Service
6. Robbie's Endeavour Trophy is awarded to a group or club member who has done the most for their group or club
7. Young Carers Achievement Award - under 12 years
8. Young Carers Achievement Award - over 12 years
9. Project Inspire Achievement Award
10. Splash Achievement Award
11. Splash Volunteer Award
12. Community First Young Leader's Achievement Award
13. Local Council Community Project Award
14. Building Bridges/Inspire Swindon Outstanding Achievement Award
15. Building Bridges Personal Progress Award
16. Inspire Swindon Personal Progress Award
17. Carers Together Contribution to Caring Award
18. Voice It, Hear It Contribution to Community Engagement Award

Please return by: Wednesday 11th September 2024

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Nomination Form

Nomination details:
Your Name: Laura Cutter
Your contact details: Email: deputyclerk@haydonwick.gov.uk Telephone Number: 01793 722446
Group/Organisation Name (if applicable): Haydon Wick Parish Council
Staff member at Community First you have worked with: Ian Nockolds
Nomination is for: Haydon Wick Haven Name: Sean Pocock Their contact details: Email: communityandyouth@haydonwick.gov.uk Telephone Number: 01793 722446

Reason for Nomination: (Continue on additional sheet if necessary) we will use this to create a citation which will be read out on the evening.

In the wake of the pandemic, our community united through the participatory budget initiative "Community Choices" to address a pressing concern: reducing loneliness and isolation. This collective decision led to the creation of Haydon Wick Haven, a vibrant community initiative.

The Haven operates on a bi-weekly schedule, hosting gatherings every other Monday. These events offer a welcoming space for participants to engage in various activities:

- Sharing refreshments
- Playing games
- Participating in quizzes
- Solving puzzles
- Enjoying limited mobility exercises

While many participants are over 70 years old, the Haven has also introduced intergenerational activities. Primary school-aged children occasionally join the sessions, fostering valuable cross-generational interactions and learning experiences.

To ensure inclusivity, the Council's (previous award-winning!) community bus service provides transportation for participants, picking them up from their homes and safely returning them after the event. For many attendees, the Haven represents a vital social lifeline, often providing their only opportunity for meaningful conversation during the week.

Beyond regular meetings, the Haven organizes special events to enrich the community experience:

- Christmas meals and parties
- Community bus trips to local attractions like garden centres and museums
- A program of planned activities based on participant feedback

Through these diverse offerings, Haydon Wick Haven continues to fulfil a crucial strategic objective of reducing loneliness and isolation, creating a stronger, more connected community for all ages for Haydon Wick.