



Winners of the Star Awards 2016!

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We would like to offer huge congratulations to all the organisations and individuals who were nominated in recognition of the valuable contribution they make to our local areas. The winners were chosen for their outstanding contributions, but the judges did have a very difficult job choosing between the nominees, all of whom deserve to be very proud of their achievements.



Most creative approach to community cohesion

For running sessions with Brighton Housing Trust and Friends Families and Travellers, fostering community integration and cohesion between groups of people that wouldn't normally have a chance to meet and become friends:

Brighton Table Tennis Club

www.brightontabletennisclub.co.uk



Excellence in furthering equality and diversity

For their commitment to furthering equality and diversity and, ensuring that our local area is an inclusive place for everyone:

Friends Families and Travellers

www.gypsy-traveller.org

And

MindOut

www.mindout.org.uk



Best partnership or collaboration

For particular expertise in how to work in partnership to ensure effective service delivery:

Sussex Armed Forces Network

www.sussexarmedforcesnetworknhs.uk

And

Time to Talk Befriending

www.timetotalkbefriending.org.uk



Best member of a committee or trustee board

For an outstanding commitment and going above and beyond over many years to consistently support the development of two highly-valued local organisations:

Dave Ely, Safety Net

www.safety-net.org.uk

And

Billie Lewis, LGBT Community Safety Forum

www.lgbt-help.com



Most effective Community Works rep

For consistent excellence in representing the voluntary and community sector over a number of years. We're lucky to have such committed volunteers:

Kirsty Walker, Trust for Developing Communities

www.trustdevcom.org.uk

And

Jess Sumner, Age UK Brighton & Hove

www.ageuk.org.uk/brightonandhove



Most innovative commission or public sector service collaboration

For a truly cross sector collaboration with multiple partners across the city. Making sure that together all sectors can change lives and the environment:

Brighton & Hove Food Poverty Action Plan

www.bhfood.org.uk



Greatest contribution to the community by a business

For their commitment to equality and diversity through their support for disabled people and improving accessibility in the city:

Brighton & Hove Bus and Coaches Company

www.buses.co.uk



Outstanding volunteering contribution, young people

For amazing contributions to the organisation they volunteer with and the communities who they've changed through their hard work and dedication:

Jordan, Trust for Developing Communities

www.trustdevcom.org.uk

And

Mattias, Right Here Brighton and Hove

www.right-here-brightonandhove.co.uk



Outstanding volunteering contribution, adults

For outstanding work with a huge number of volunteers who've contributing many hours to local communities across the local area:

Sussex Interpreting Services

www.sussexinterpreting.org.uk

And

Brighton, Hove and District Samaritans

www.samaritans.org/branches/samaritans-brighton-hove-and-district

For an inspiring commitment over many years, that has made a real difference to people's lives:

Raminder Gill, Hangleton & Knoll Multi-Cultural Women's Group

www.hangletonandknollmulticulturalwomensgroup.wordpress.com

And

Ann Bradley, Grace Eyre Foundation

www.grace-eyre.org



Small group, big achiever

For creating a service that didn't previously exist to women at a vulnerable time in their lives and creating a community asset that will be there for future generations to enjoy:

Mother's Uncovered

www.mothersuncovered.com

And

Brighton Open Air Theatre Trust



Biggest impact in the city

For a small group and a larger organisation, proving that everyone can have an impact on their local area and in many different ways:

Lucky Dip

www.en-gb.facebook.com/HollingdeanLuckyDip

And

Sussex Community Foundation

www.sussexgiving.co.uk



Lifetime achievement award

By far the most difficult category to choose from, we're lucky to have such committed individuals making such a difference. Between them they have contributed over 90 years to the local voluntary and community sector, making a huge difference to their organisations and the causes they fight for. We're so proud to acknowledge their hard work and commitment:

Chris Todd, Brighton & Hove Friends of the Earth

www.bhfoe.org

And

Jackie Fuller, North Laine Community Association

www.nlcaonline.org.uk

And

Marion Silsby, Honeycroft Childrens Centre

www.honeycroft.co.uk