

19 December 2016

Agenda Item: 07

## **REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, YOUTH, FAMILIES AND CULTURE**

### **NOTTINGHAMSHIRE OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT 4UTH AWARD 2016**

#### **Purpose of the Report**

1. This report is for information only and describes the recent activity of the Youth Service in facilitating the delivery of Nottinghamshire County Council's sixth annual Outstanding Achievement 4Uth Award.

#### **Information and Advice**

2. This is the sixth year that the County Council has organised the award with support from the Nottingham Post newspaper.
3. From April 2016, through the local media, the Council invited members of the public, professionals, family members and friends to nominate individual young people who have achieved beyond their own boundaries in their lives. This year 88 nominations were received from around the County from a range of individuals and organisations including family members, youth workers, teachers, members of the community, voluntary sector organisations etc.
4. As in previous years there was a wide variety of nominations in terms of the skills, talents and interests of young people. The Council received nominations for young people because of their sporting ability, their contributions to the local community, their achievements at school, their charitable work, and their supportive and caring roles within their families.
5. There has been significant media interest in all of the young people who were nominated, which has led to the raising of a positive profile of all young people in the County, through a consistent stream of high quality articles published in local papers about the positive impact these young people have made with their peers or their local communities.
6. Local panels of young people, selected from District Youth Forums, and interested adults met in the seven districts to select local winners. These seven district winners were presented with their awards at the awards evening. The overall winner of the 2016 award was selected by a panel of judges which included elected members and representatives from the voluntary sector.
7. The formal awards evening took place at County Hall on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October; this event was opened by Councillor Yvonne Woodhead, Chairman of Nottinghamshire County

Council, and compered by a young person from the County Youth Arts team. The audience was musically entertained by local young singer/song writers.

8. Cameron-Lei Ford, the Gedling District winner, was confirmed as the overall winner of the County award and he received an additional award from Councillor Alan Rhodes, Leader of the Council.

### **Other Options Considered**

9. The report is for noting only.

### **Reason/s for Recommendation/s**

10. The report is for noting only.

### **Statutory and Policy Implications**

11. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, sustainability and the environment and ways of working and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

### **Implications for Service Users**

12. This event has helped to raise a positive profile of young people within communities in Nottinghamshire.

### **Financial Implications**

13. There are no financial implications arising from this report.

### **Crime and Disorder Implications**

14. Through increased recognition of local communities about the positive impact young people can achieve there may be a high degree of tolerance given to them and therefore a reduction in the reporting of low level nuisance behaviour when young people gather together in open spaces.

### **RECOMMENDATION/S**

- 1) That the recent activity of the Youth Service in facilitating the delivery of Nottinghamshire County Council's sixth annual Outstanding Achievement 4Uth Award is noted.

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**Constitutional Comments**

15. As this report is for noting only, no Constitutional Comments are required.

**Financial Comments (CDS 24/11/16)**

16. There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

**Background Papers and Published Documents**

None.

**Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected**

All.

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