

**9 December 2013****Agenda Item: 10****REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, YOUTH, FAMILIES AND CULTURE****THE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT 4UTH AWARD  
2013****Purpose of the Report**

1. This report informs the Committee about the recent activity of the Young People's Service in facilitating the delivery of Nottinghamshire County Council's third annual Outstanding Achievement 4Uth Award.

**Information and Advice**

2. This is the third year that the County Council has organised the award with support from the Nottingham Post newspaper.
3. From April 2013, through the local media, members of the public, professionals, family members and friends were invited to nominate individual young people who have achieved beyond their own boundaries in their lives. 65 nominations were received from around the County from a range of individuals and organisations including family members, youth workers, teachers, members of the community and voluntary sector organisations.
4. This year has seen the most varied nominations in terms of the skills, talents and interests of young people. Nominations were received for young people because of their sporting prowess, achievements in the fields of arts and music, contributions to the local community, achievements at school, charitable work etc.
5. There has been a wealth of media interest in all of the nominated young people, which has resulted in the positive profile of all young people in the County being raised through numerous articles published about the positive impact they have made on their peers or their local communities.
6. Local panels of young people, selected from the District Scrutiny, Advisory and Development Boards and interested adults, met in the seven districts to select local winners. These seven district winners were presented with their awards at an awards evening. The overall winner of the 2013 award has been selected by a panel of judges which included elected members, the editor of the Nottingham Post, representatives from the voluntary sector and the Chairman of the Young People's Board.

7. The formal awards evening took place at County Hall on Friday 1 November 2013. The event was opened by Councillor Pauline Allan, Vice Chair of Nottinghamshire County Council, and compered by a young person from the County Youth Arts team. The audience was musically entertained by three local young singer/song writers.
8. Sarah Miles, the Ashfield District winner, was confirmed as the overall winner of the County award and she received an additional award from Councillor John Peck, Chair of the Children and Young People's Committee.

### **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 finance, the public sector equality duty, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service 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.

### **RECOMMENDATION/S**

- 1) That the recent activity of the Young People's Service in facilitating the delivery of Nottinghamshire County Council's third annual Outstanding Achievement 4Uth Award be noted.

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**Constitutional Comments**

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

**Financial Comments (KLA 13/11/13)**

15. 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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