

8 December 2014

Agenda Item: 14

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, YOUTH, FAMILIES AND CULTURE

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT 4UTH AWARD 2014

Purpose of the Report

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

Information and Advice

2. This is the fourth year that the County Council has organised the award with support from the Nottingham Post newspaper.
3. From April 2014, through the local media, we 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 we received 63 nominations from around the County and nominations have been received from a range of individuals and organisations including family members, youth workers, teachers, members of the community and voluntary sector organisations.
4. As in previous years we have seen a wide variety of nominations in terms of the skills, talents and interests of young people. We have received nominations for young people because of their sporting ability, contributions to the local community, achievements at school, charitable work, and 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 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, have met in the seven districts to select local winners. These seven district winners were be presented with their awards at the awards evening. The overall winner of the 2014 award has been selected by a panel of judges which included elected members, the editor of the Nottingham Post, representatives from the voluntary sector, the Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire, the winner of last year's award and the Chairman of the Young People's Board.

7. The formal awards evening took place at The Old Library in Mansfield on Friday 14 November. The event was opened by Councillor Pauline Allan, Chairman of Nottinghamshire County Council, and compered by a young person from the County Youth Arts team. The audience were musically entertained by local young singer/song writers.
8. Tiegan Hull, the Rushcliffe District winner, was confirmed as the overall winner of the County award and she received an additional award from Councillor Alan Rhodes, Leader of Nottinghamshire County 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 only), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults, 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.

Financial Implications

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

Implications for Service Users

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

RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1) That the recent activity of the Youth Service in facilitating the delivery of Nottinghamshire County Council's fourth 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 21/11/14)

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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