



WHEATLEY PARISH COUNCIL REPORT – 3RD APRIL 2023

ITEM 237 TO CONSIDER VOLUNTEER AWARDS FOR 2023

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Strategic Goal:	Goal 1 To continue to support the village so it becomes a vibrant and sustainable community for everyone.
Strategic Aim:	1.3 Support local organisations and voluntary groups and work with them to deliver this strategy.
Summary:	Proposal to continue the council's Volunteer Recognition event 2023

Purpose/Background

The village of Wheatley continues to be vibrant place to live and work, with many groups and organisations that support the community. Nearly all of these are coordinated by individuals who give their time, as volunteers, to improve the lives and opportunities of others.

Others selflessly aid those in need, as demonstrated during the recent pandemic.

This event builds on the inaugural event, held in September 2022, and would continue to be an opportunity to recognise and celebrate the work that valuable members of the community give to the village.

In 2022 we received 13 nominations across four categories. The awards event was well attended and well received by all involved.

Funding and resources

To allocate £700 from Community event budget towards event (the same amount was allocated in 2022 and £510 spent). With a small working group created to support the launch, promotion and delivery of award event in the autumn of 2023).

Project outline

- Initial meeting to agree key dates and categories.
- Meeting with Emma Wilson Trust – likely partners for Young Volunteer category
- Project Launch Mon 8th May (at Local Produce Market/ Volunteer display)
- Nominations and promotion throughout May, June and July
- Review of nominations, awards confirmed.
- Awards event September/October 2023

Recommendation

Approve the initial project outline, working group membership. Terms of Reference to be confirmed at a future meeting.