

Barnsley Spirit Awards

Throughout October, Barnsley Council will recognise outstanding contribution shown by businesses, community groups, voluntary groups, key workers and residents throughout the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic with a one-of-a-kind Barnsley Spirit Mayor's Award.

The Mayor's Award will rightfully recognise dedication, resilience and true community spirit shown by people in the community that have gone to extraordinary lengths to support Barnsley throughout the pandemic. As a token of gratitude to acknowledge these achievements, each person recognised will receive a letter along with a medal awarded from the Mayor.

Award winners will also be invited to a special event with the Mayor at a later date, once Coronavirus (COVID-19) restrictions permit, to celebrate this achievement further.

To receive a Barnsley Spirit award, people will be asked to nominate a person or groups that have shown outstanding contribution in one of the following categories:

- Frontline worker(s) who have supported people who need help the most and those with Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Barnsley.
- Those who have provided critical care to Coronavirus (COVID-19) patients in Barnsley.
- Those who have developed innovative solutions to support people who need help the most and those with Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Barnsley.
- Those who have gone to extraordinary lengths to keep critical services going in Barnsley.
- Those who have volunteered in the community or for services/organisations to support the response to Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Barnsley.

Nominations for the Mayor's Award open on Thursday 1 October. People will be able to send in submissions through an online form or by calling the dedicated line once the awards have opened.

Anybody wanting to nominate a person, team or community group for an award will have until Friday 30 October to do so. After this time letters and medals will be sent out to those who have been awarded.

To promote the awards, we will be carrying out a social media campaign encouraging people from Barnsley to nominate. We are also sending information to our partners communications leads to help share the message that this is open to all organisations including local businesses, public and private sector workers, voluntary groups and residents. We would like to encourage you to share any information across your networks and on social media where possible from the Barnsley Council Facebook and Twitter pages to help promote the awards.



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