

## Essex Activity Awards Terms and Conditions 2021

The Essex Activity Awards ceremony will be held on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2021 at Chelmsford City Racecourse where the winners will be announced live.

### **The awarding categories are:**

- Active Club of the Year
- Active Education Award
- Active Wellbeing Award
- Active Workplace of the Year
- Essex Activity Hero
- Find Your Active Ambassador of the Year
- Find Your Active Participant of the Year
- Sports Personality of the Year
- Strengthening Communities Award
- Young Sports Personality of the Year

### **Nominations:**

- Nominations can be made through the Active Essex website only.
- Paper and braille nomination forms can be requested.
- Anyone can nominate for an awarding category.
- Except in the 'Find Your Active Ambassador of the Year' category where nominations will be made internally only.

### **Shortlisting Processes:**

- For the 'Find Your Active Participant of the Year' category all nominations will be shared with their Active Network who will decide a winner for their area.
- For all other awards the independent Awards Panel will determine a shortlist of three nominees for each category and winners for all categories except the Public Vote categories.
- There will be one winner for each award category. Except for the 'Find Your Active Participant of the Year' category where there will be fourteen winners, one for each Essex district/borough.

### **The Awards Panel:**

- Jason Fergus, Director at Active Essex
- Cllr Holly Whitbread, Cabinet Member at Essex County Council
- Emma Lewis, National Swimming Development Manager at Greenwich Leisure Limited
- Scott Logan, CEO at Basildon Council
- Richard Green, Head at Grovewood Primary School

### **To be eligible for an Essex Activity Award, the following criteria apply:**

- The nominee must either be born in, live in, go to school in, delivering sessions in or belong to a club in one or more of the following Local Authority areas in Greater Essex (Basildon,

Braintree, Brentwood, Castle Point, Chelmsford, Colchester, Epping Forest, Harlow, Maldon, Rochford, Southend-on-Sea, Tendring, Thurrock, and Uttlesford).

- The nominee can be an Athlete or Volunteer who was born in Essex but lives outside the County for training purposes.
- Nominees that reside and belong to a club in the London Boroughs with an Essex Postal Address (Eg. Waltham Forest, Havering, Barking & Dagenham, Newham and Redbridge) are NOT eligible, but may be for able to apply to similar award schemes through London Sport

#### **Age Restrictions:**

- Must be aged 18 or over on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 for categories: Sports Personality of the Year.
- Must be aged 17 or under on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 for categories: Young Sports Personality of the Year.
- Other categories do not have age restrictions.

#### **Online Public Vote:**

- This year the public vote will be open to decide the winners of three of our awarding categories:
  - Active Club of the Year
  - Find Your Active Ambassador of the Year
  - Sports Personality of the Year
- The panel will shortlist a number of contenders from the initial public nomination process.
- Voting will be from a shortlist of three contenders.
- The contenders will be published on the Active Essex website from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November until Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2021 and the public can only vote throughout that time period.
- Voting will be available via the Active Essex website only. There is no voting via email.
- The winner will be announced at the Essex Activity Awards ceremony.
- A person can vote once per category.

#### **In the unlikely event of:**

- A tie in the public vote amongst two contenders obtaining the highest number of votes, the award will be shared amongst those two.
- A tie in the public vote amongst three contenders obtaining the highest number of votes, the award will be shared amongst the three.

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