



Nominations are now open for the Council Worker of the Year Awards 2010!

The Council Worker of the Year Awards are back! Now is the time to nominate your colleagues for these prestigious awards celebrating the best of the unsung heroes in our communities.

Every local authority in the UK is invited to nominate one front line worker for each individual category or team for Team of the Year. Nominations close on 24 February 2010!

The aim of the awards is to recognise and acknowledge council workers who shine out amongst the workforce in local government. What's more, the awards highlight and communicate to the general public the depth and quality of the people who work in local government.

The winners are decided by public vote and so offer an amazing opportunity for your councils to connect with your communities, highlighting the work of real people on the frontline.



Margaret Eaton, Chairman of the Local Government Association said

"There are hundreds of thousands of Council employees across this country, who work to improve their local areas every single day. Each council can give their own examples of staff members who routinely go above and beyond the call of duty in their service to the community. The Council Worker of the Year Awards provide a much needed opportunity to recognise some of the outstanding contributions made by local authority staff.





Categories

Community Engagement

A council worker who has found effective ways for their council to engage more successfully with its community

The Green Award

An individual who has developed a green initiative in their local area that has had a beneficial impact on the environment

Working with Young People

A council worker who has shown exceptional dedication in the service of young people





How to nominate

- 1 Select your candidate/s
- 2 Complete the nomination form at the back of this guide and prepare accompanying nomination document (this guide can also be downloaded on **www.localgovernmentchannel.com**)
- 3 Complete one nomination form for each candidate. Don't forget to include endorsement from the Chief Executive
- 4 Email the completed nomination documents to **awards@websedge.com or post it to:**

AWARD NOMINATIONS

WebsEdge, Unit 6, The Coda Centre, 189, Munster Road, Fulham, SW6 6AW

- **5** We will contact you by email to confirm that we have received the nomination
- 6 We will contact you by March if your nominee has been short-listed.

Anyone may nominate but the Chief Executive must endorse every nomination by signing the nomination form.

You may nominate ONE individual for each category except for Team of the Year, where you may nominate ONE team or group.



THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT **COUNCIL WORKER**

Timeline

2009

3 December Nominations open

2010

24 February Nominations close 5pm

Judging to select four finalists in each category. March/April

The panel includes LGA Chairman, Margaret Eaton and LGA Board Members

Finalists are informed and short documentaries are filmed

10 May Shortlisted finalists are announced to the public

Voting commences online

May/June Finalist films are broadcast on the Local Government Today programme on Sky 539,

> Virgin TV 233 and Freeview 87 and on www.localgovernmentchannel.com Finalist's own council publicity campaigns encourages local voting and support

LGA Annual Conference and Exhibition 2010 in Bournemouth. 06 - 08 July

Finalists' films shown during the event

08 July Voting closes 12pm

Council Worker of the Year Awards 2010 held at the Bournemouth International Centre

in honour of the finalists







The Local Government Channel is a resource for local government with news and views from around the country. It reaches the key members of local government through TV, online and regular print and email newsletters. Visit **www.localgovernmentchannel.com** for the latest updates.

The Channel is fully endorsed by the Local Government Association and works in partnership with SOLACE, SOCITM and many other local government bodies.

The channel's flagship programme, Local Government Today, broadcasts at 6.30am daily on Sky 539, VirginTV 233 and Freeview 87. It highlights topical news stories and current affairs in local government and communities. The news programme is updated weekly alongside the website which is available 24/7 and runs interviews and best practice videos.

The Local Government Channel, Local Government Today and the Council Worker of the Year Awards are WebsEdge productions



The Council Worker of the Year Awards are brought to you by the Local Government Channel







Nomination Form

Please fill in the information on the following two pages, and return with accompanying documentation (see below) by 17.00 on 24 February 2010 to: AWARD NOMINATIONS, WebsEdge, Unit 6, The Coda Centre, 189, Munster Road, Fulham, SW6 6AW. Or alternatively email the completed documents to **awards@websedge.com**, or fax back to **0207 636 7446**.

Nominated worker:		Job:
Local Authority:		
Address:		
Postcode:	Telephone:	Email:
Category		
Indicate which category you wish	to enter by tickin <mark>g the relevant</mark> box below	v l
Community Engagement		
The Green Award		
Working with Young People		
Team of the Year		
Bravery		
Lifetime Service		

Please ensure you only chose one category when nominating; if you are unsure which category is most suitable, please contact awards@websedge.com

All categories are for individual council workers except that of Team of the Year

Please explain in an accompanying document why the nominee should win a Council Worker of the Year Award (strict maximum 300 words). Please remember to bear in mind the category you have chosen

If the application is shortlisted we will contact you, your nominee, the Chief Executive and the Press Office.

Please indicate if you should not be considered the main contact, throughout the awards process, for that nominee



Nomination Form

TWO OF TWO

NOMINATOR			
NAME	<u>TELEPHONE</u>		
ADDRESS			
EMAIL	POSITION		
MAIN CONTACT (IF DIFFERENT TO NOMINATOR)			
NAME	TELEPHONE		
ADDRESS			
EMAIL	POSITION		
PRESS OFFICE CONTACT			
NAME	TELEPHONE		
EMAIL			
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER			
NAME	TELEPHONE		
EMAIL			

I ACCEPT THIS NOMINATION

(Signature of CEO)