

## Local charity to launch BIG new awards for Nottingham

Local Nottingham charity, the Partnership Council, is launching a very special new awards - the BIG10 Awards - designed to recognise and reward all those people who are helping to inspire and improve life in Nottingham.

The new awards will be launched on the 9th October 2008 at the Partnership Council's October Social event. The Hyson Green-based charity holds regular social events which are attended by local people as well as by Partnership Council volunteers, staff and other local organisations.

### So why the BIG10 Awards?

The awards are being launched to celebrate the Partnership Council's 10th birthday - hence the name BIG10. There are ten awards in total - one for each year that the Partnership Council has been running!

Anyone can nominate an individual, a group or a project for an award - as long as the person, group or project being nominated makes a positive difference to the community in some way.

The Awards are open to anyone based in the city, but the Partnership Council is particularly keen to receive nominations from the areas in which it works most often - Hyson Green, Radford, New Basford, Sherwood Rise, Forest Fields and the Arboretum area of Nottingham.

### The BIG10 Awards are:

**Volunteer of the Year Award** - someone who gives up their time to help others.

**Green Project of the Year Award** - a project or activity aimed at helping the environment or encouraging or helping others to lead greener lives.

**Young Person of the Year Award** - a young person, aged up to 25 years old, who has made a really positive contribution to their neighbourhood or others' lives.

**Partnership Worker of the Year Award** - someone who works for a public sector organisation such as Nottingham City Council, the Police or Health Service who goes beyond the call of duty.

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**Older Person of the Year Award** - someone over 50 who's helping to change the area where they live.

**Community Group of the Year Award** - a community group that's making a difference to people's lives or is doing something really special or unusual.

**Skills Exchange of the Year Award** - someone who regularly helps a neighbour or volunteers their skills for free.

**Green Business of the Year Award** - a business that goes the extra mile to help protect the environment.

**Neighbourhood Project of the Year Award** - a neighbourhood project set up by local people that's made a difference where they live.

**Outstanding Community Contribution of the Year Award** - the BIG award in the BIG10 Awards! The Partnership Council is looking for a person, project, community group or business that deserves special recognition for the contribution they've made to their local community.

The winners of the BIG10 Awards will be presented with their awards at an awards ceremony taking place on the 27th November 2008 at the New Art Exchange, Gregory Boulevard, Hyson Green, Nottingham.

**Ruth Greenberg, Chief Officer at the Partnership Council says:**

*"We're very proud and pleased to have reached ten years and we wanted to celebrate that whilst recognising the contribution of all those people that work so hard - often as volunteers - to help their communities - and us. The BIG10 Awards seemed like the perfect way of doing just that and we're hopeful that the awards will become an annual event."*

**If you'd like to nominate someone you know for an award you can find out more and get a nomination form from the Partnership Council's website**

[www.partnershipcouncil.co.uk](http://www.partnershipcouncil.co.uk)

**Alternatively, you can request a nomination form by calling the Partnership Council on 0115 970 8200 or by calling into the charity between 9.30am - 5.00pm Monday to Friday at 47 Gregory Boulevard, Hyson Green, Nottingham.**

*The closing date for nominations is 31st October 2008.*

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