## St David Awards 2026

The National Awards of Wales

#### Nomination form

Complete all sections.

An incomplete form will result in your nomination being discounted from the process.

Refer to the Nomination Guidance for information.





Nominee – the person or group you are nominating:

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#### Award category

Tick **one** category box only. Separate nomination forms will need to be submitted if you wish to put forward the same nominee for different award categories.

- 1 Bravery
- 2 Business
- 3 Community Champion
- 4 Culture
- 5 Environment Champion

- 6 Innovation, Science & Technology
- 7 Public Service
- 8 Sport
- 9 Volunteering
- 10 Young Person

#### Your nomination

Explain how your nominee has made a significant contribution in their award category.

Give as much detail as possible, read the Nomination Guidance that includes a nomination sample.

1. Describe the person or group you are nominating. (100 words max)

E.g. Who are they? Where are they from? What is their character and/or nature of their daily work?

- 2. Why are you nominating them? Explain why what they've done is worthy of a St David Award? (700 words max)
  - E.g. How exceptional was their behaviour? What have the consequences of their actions been?

Background links (optional)
Include web links to examples of the work or activities of the nominee here. These can be news articles, company website, photographs, fundraising pages, videos or social media pages.

Nominee contact details
Include if they are known. If you are nominating a group, supply the name of the leader/chair/coordinator/manager/owner etc.

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## Deadline

The deadline for submitting this nomination form is:

Midnight, Friday 24 October 2025

## Nomination Guidance

# **Categories**

There are 11 St David Awards, the first 10 of which are nominated for by the public. It is important to make sure that the person or group you are nominating are nominated in the most appropriate category – the definitions below will help you to decide.



#### **Bravery**

Awarded to those who have demonstrated remarkable courageous behaviour or character; doing what is right in difficult situations. This may entail simple fearlessness or physical bravery and involves acting in spite of possible harm to one's self.



#### **Business**

Awarded to those who have achieved remarkable success in business. This may include the creation of meaningful employment for oneself and others.



## **Community Champion**

Intended for people in Wales who have or continue to champion initiatives that improve the lives of people in their local community or communities across Wales.



#### Culture

For those in, or from Wales who have excelled in the arts and other forms of cultural achievement, expressed in any art form, language or medium. This can include, but is not limited to, those who may have succeeded in putting Wales on the world stage.



### **Environment Champion**

Awarded to a person or group who have made an outstanding contribution to improving their environment, either locally, Wales-wide or internationally.



## Innovation, Science and Technology

Intended for those who have developed techniques or solutions that meet new requirements and who have provided effective products, processes, services, technologies, or ideas that are available to society at large.



#### **Public Service**

For an individual or team working in frontline services within NHS Cymru or the Education sector who have gone the extra mile to provide an exceptional service to the people of Wales.

Nominations for this award should be made by members of the public who have first-hand experience of the service provided by their nominee.



#### Sport \$

For an individual, team or group in Wales who have achieved or helped achieve excellence in the field of sport on a national or international level.



## Volunteering

Intended for people in Wales who have given and/or continue to give their time without payment to support grass roots projects or national Welsh charities or local organisations. Including those who help to raise awareness and fundraise for the local and wider good.



## Young Person

This award will be given to an exceptional and inspirational young person or group of up to 19 years of age in any field in Wales.



### First Minister's Special Award:

The personal gift of the First Minister – you cannot nominate for it directly. It could reflect collective as well as individual achievement. The recipient may be selected from one of the other award winners or may be selected independently of them.

The finalists and winners are decided upon by the First Minister of the Welsh Government and his advisers.

# Who you can nominate

#### Who can be nominated?

- 1. Nominees don't have to be UK citizens or live in Wales, but must have a meaningful link to Wales.
- 2. You can nominate friends, members of your family, colleagues or even a public figure.
- 3. Nominees in all categories must be at least 16 years old, with exception of nominees in the Young Person category, who can be any age and will be considered up to, and including the age of 19.
- 4. Groups of people, teams or companies are eligible for an award as well as individuals (a lead contact name will need to be identified).
- 5. A nominee can be re-nominated if they have achieved further success since their previous nomination.
- 6. Awards will not be granted posthumously.

### Who can nominate?

- 1. Anyone can nominate.
- 2. Self-nominations are also accepted.
- 3. The person nominating remains anonymous, unless they wish to be made known to their nominee (if successful).

## How to nominate

The easiest way to nominate is via our online form in the 'Nominate now' section of our website. You can save your progress and submit once you're happy. You will get an automatic email receipt after you've completed the form.

Or, you can download a pdf version of the form (this form) and send it back to us via email or post.

Email: stdavidawards@gov.wales

Post: St David Awards Nominations 2026, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff CF10 3NQ

# How to send a supporting letter

After you have submitted your nomination, you can also submit letters of support from people or organisations who are familiar with their achievements, though this is not essential.

Download a template from the 'About the awards' section of our website if you need tips on what type of information to include.

Letters of support should be clearly marked with the name of your nominee and the award category and sent to <a href="mailto:stdavidawards@gov.wales">stdavidawards@gov.wales</a> or

St David Awards Nominations 2026, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ.

Supporting letters must reach us by the deadline – Midnight, Friday 24 October 2025.

# Tips for nominating

- 1. Even if the person you are nominating is well-known, you must write down what it is they do and what they have achieved. Don't assume that those involved in the judging process will already know.
- 2. Give good examples and explain how your nominee has achieved success. Saying; "John Smith raised a lot of money for the charity" will not be enough. Try; "John Smith organised a charity 5k run in the village and got the support of well-known local sponsors. His efforts raised £5,000 for the charity".
- 3. Give as many facts that you're aware of or can find online. Feel free to use bullet pointed lists as opposed to full sentences if you are nearing the maximum word count.

# **Key dates**





