

Inclusion North Awards 2025 - Nominations Guide (Easy Read)

Welcome

Thank you for nominating someone for the Inclusion North Awards.



This special event celebrates:

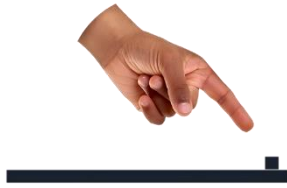
- People
- Organisations
- Projects

...that make life more inclusive for:

- People with a learning disability
- Autistic people
- Family carers



These awards are co-produced **with people with lived experience** to show what inclusion really means.



If your nominee is shortlisted, they must be able to come to the Gala to collect their award if they win.

Award Categories



1. The Gary Stark Citizenship Award

For a person with a learning disability or autism who:

- Speaks up for others
- Believes in fairness and equal rights
- Makes their own choices
- Helps their community
- Follows Gary's values: Equality, Rights, Social Justice, Inclusion, Working together, Being strong and brave, Challenging barriers



2. Volunteer of the Year

For someone who:

- Volunteers regularly
- Works well with others
- Makes a difference in their community
- May have overcome challenges



3. Advocacy Organisation of the Year

For a group that:

- Works closely with people with lived experience
- Believes in inclusion and fairness
- Runs strong campaigns or projects
- Makes things accessible
- Creates real change



4. Partner of the Year

For an organisation that:

- Works closely with Inclusion North
- Shares our values
- Offers time, skills, or resources
- Works well with others



5. Provider of the Year

For a service that:

- Puts people first
- Involves people in decisions
- Makes people feel safe and included
- Tries new ideas to improve



6. Non-Profit of the Year

For a group (not a service) that:

- Works for fairness and change
- Involves people with lived experience
- Is creative and impactful
- Makes a difference locally or nationally



7. Rising Star Award

For a young person or newcomer with a learning disability or autism who:

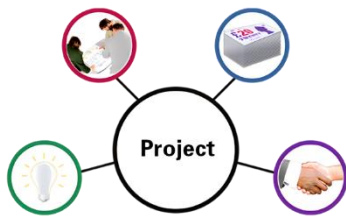
- Is passionate and brave
- Is already making a difference
- Has great potential



8. Going the Extra Mile Award

For someone who:

- Always gives their best
- Often works behind the scenes
- Shows kindness and care
- Goes above and beyond



9. Project Innovation Award

For a new idea or project that:

- Is different or original
- Was co-produced with people with lived experience
- Solves a problem creatively
- Has results that others can learn from



10. Outstanding Achievement Award

For someone who:

- May be a self-advocate, professional, or supporter
- Has made a big difference over time
- Stands up for rights and inclusion
- Inspires others



How to Nominate

You can nominate in two ways:

1. **Online Form** – Fill in our form here: [Nomination Form Link](#)
2. **Voice or Video Nomination** – Send via WhatsApp to **07494 740686**

Voice or video nominations must be **no longer than 3 minutes**.



Tips for a Good Nomination

- Pick the category that matches your nominee best
- Give clear examples of what they have done
- Use respectful and positive language
- Ask permission before sharing personal details
- Send your nomination **before Sunday 12th October 2025**



Our Policies

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