

# Party Awards 2019

Information and Nomination Pack

# Further Information

## BACKGROUND

Party Awards are designed to recognise publicly those who have given the party outstanding service and commitment. Candidates must themselves be party members, and be nominated and seconded by two party members. The winners are chosen by a working group of the Federal Board which includes the Party President and usually representatives of the three state parties.

## PRESENTED AWARDS

The **President's Award** is open to any Party Member elected to public office and who has demonstrated excellence and commitment.

The **Harriet Smith Liberal Democrat Distinguished Service Award** is open to any Party Member never elected to public office.

For both of these awards, the panel will be looking for outstanding commitment and service to the Party, which can be recognized in the Awards presented normally at the Party's Annual Conference. Local, regional and state parties should be seeking to nominate people who deserve recognition for their hard work, long service, and demonstrable dedication to the party, at whatever level. These are expected to be special awards to be awarded from the Party for whom public recognition is long overdue.

The **Belinda Eyre-Brook Award** is given to recognise and celebrate the efforts of people working for our elected representatives in their local areas - from local party employees, to political assistants to council groups, to people working in MPs' constituency offices.

The winner of this award will care about their local area and be committed to the success of Liberal Democrats within it. Turning local political priorities into electoral success, and priorities for elected officials is a key part of the work of successful local Party figures - as is linking with the national party.

The **Dadabhai Naoroji Award** is presented annually to the local Party that has done most to promote BAME participants to elected office as Councillors, Assembly Members, Members of Parliament or Members of European Parliament.

This award is designed to encourage local parties to work towards the goal of increasing their ethnic diversity to more accurately reflect the areas they represent, and to recognise those that already make a great effort to involve different communities in their work.

## NOMINATION PROCEDURE

The attached nomination form should be completed with details of the individual, setting out why an award should be made. An officer of a local party, regional executive member or officer, or state party executive or officer should sign the nomination form, in addition to another member.

The completed form should be sent to Adan Hanrahan (President's Chief of Staff) no later than 19th July 2019 via [president@libdems.org.uk](mailto:president@libdems.org.uk) or to:

President's Office  
LDHQ  
8-10 Great George Street  
London  
SW1P 3AE.

All nominations will be acknowledged on receipt. The winners will be formally announced at the September Autumn Conference in Bournemouth (September 2019).

## 2018 WINNERS

**The President's Award was awarded to four outstanding individuals last year Martin Kyrle, Joch Gallagher, Andrew Wiseman and Flick Rea.** All of them remarkable individuals with long and powerful contributions to our party, it was impossible to decide between these proposed recipients so we thanked them all by giving them each a

**The Harriet Smith Award was awarded to Tilly McAuliffe.** A co-chair of the Lib Dem Business and Entrepreneurs network, she led it through the 2017 election. Her energy and enthusiasm was infectious and that helped grow the network from fifteen to ninety members, with LDBEN members going on to donate over £1 million to the party last year. At the same time she volunteered full time with the fund-raising department during the election despite having her own successful business to run.

**The Belinda Eyre-Brook Award was awarded to Jenny Pack.** She has worked for the group for over 10 years. Following some disappointing results in 2015, this individual worked harder than ever to ensure that our scrutiny of the Tory administration was as fervent as ever. The leader of our BANES group said "In short, without Jenny Pack there is a strong chance we would not be in the shape we are, and have a real chance of regaining the council in 2019" which goes to show how invaluable she is.

**The Dadabhai Naoroji Award was not awarded.**

# Nomination Form



Please return to Adam Hanrahan at president [@libdems.org.uk](mailto:president@libdems.org.uk) or LDHQ, 8-10 Great George Street, London SW1P 3AE.

**Nomination for the** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Award**

Nominee Name:

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Postal Address:

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E-Mail Address:

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Mobile Telephone:

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Local Party:

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Membership No:

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Membership Start Date/Length of Membership:

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**Proposer**

**Seconder**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Party Office: \_\_\_\_\_

Party Office: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief profile of nominee's activities, achievements and contribution to the Party which supports your nomination:

Please state specific reasons why you think your nominee should be supported for an award this year in particular: