



Ellesmere Town Council is proud to announce the launch of the *Young Ellesmerian Award*, a new initiative designed to recognise and celebrate the outstanding achievements of young people in Ellesmere.

The award aims to shine a light on remarkable individuals aged 18 and under who demonstrate exceptional commitment to their community, school, families, or peers. It will honour those who go above and beyond through volunteering, community leadership, sporting or cultural involvement, or by overcoming significant personal challenges. Acts of kindness and the positive impact young people have on others will also be key considerations.

Through the introduction of the Young Ellesmerian Award, the Town Council hopes to:

- Celebrate positive role models among local young people
- Encourage civic pride and greater community involvement
- Complement the existing Freeman Awards framework
- Strengthen engagement with younger residents

Nominations are open to everyone in the community. Youth leaders, head teachers, and other community figures are particularly encouraged to put forward deserving candidates. Eligible nominees must be aged 18 or under, either in the year of the award or at the time their achievement took place.

One recipient will typically be selected each year, with the award presented in April. The first award will be presented in April 2027. In exceptional circumstances, additional awards may be given where there is an especially high number of strong nominations.

Ellesmere Town Council hopes the award will not only recognise individual achievements but also inspire a new generation to contribute positively to their community.