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## **Winners of the Sector Stars, the community and voluntary sector awards, 2013**

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We would like to offer a huge congratulations to the 52 organisations and individuals who were nominated in recognition of the valuable contribution they make to the community and voluntary sector in Brighton and Hove. The winners below were chosen for their outstanding contributions.

### **The Winners**

#### **Active Lightworks**

*Winner of category: Small Group - Big Achiever*

Active Lightworks offers low cost and free complementary therapies to people with long-term health conditions. They are awarded for partnership working, number of volunteer hours, working on a shoe-string budget and impressive numbers of people reached.

#### **Barry Hulyer**

*Winner of category: Lifetime Achievement*

Barry is awarded for his absolute passion and commitment to the principles of Community Development and to the residents of this city. He has fought their corner for almost 40 years and leaves behind a legacy of social justice, infrastructure and a living model of how communities can be empowered. Quite simply Barry has made this city a better place to live.

#### **Neighbourhood Care Scheme**

*Winner of category: Biggest Impact in the City*

The Neighbourhood Care Scheme is a good neighbour scheme that enables people to offer support to older people, adults with physical disabilities and their carers who live near them. They are awarded for their remarkable record in recruiting volunteers, for creating caring communities and for supporting vulnerable people who are often 'invisible' in our communities.

#### **Jo Martindale**

*Winner of category: Most Effective CVSF Rep*

Jo is awarded for her ability to advocate on behalf of the community and voluntary sector and the communities it supports. She has raised the sector's profile and reputation with integrity, passion and flair, and is blessed with thinking creatively and strategically – perfect in a rep. It is down to Jo and her hard work that there haven't been more cuts to services in our local sector; the impact of which would have been far reaching.

## **Brighton Housing Trust START**

*Winner of category: Members' Choice*

Chosen for this award by others in the community and voluntary sector for their successes in supporting and advising clients to move in to the private rented sector.

## **Safety Net Young Inspectors Project**

*Joint winner of category: Most Creative Engagement Method*

Safety Net are awarded for their work on children and young people's participation, particularly their innovative Young Inspectors project which demonstrated that children can be instigators of positive change.

## **Partnership Outreach Pilot for Parent Carers (PoPP)**

*Joint winner of category: Most Creative Engagement Method*

PoPP is awarded for a new outreach engagement model that was created between three local organisations (Amaze, the Trust for Developing Communities and the Hangleton & Knoll Project). It identified new parents/carers and reached out to families where they live, overcoming many of the barriers people would normally experience in engaging with a citywide service.

## **Food Banks/Emergency Food Network**

*Winner of category: Best Partnership or Collaboration*

Awarded for an innovative and collaborative cross-sector partnership, led by the Food Partnership. Food banks across the city are bought together to take action around food poverty which is effecting families in the city.

## **Sussex Nightstop**

*Winner of category: Outstanding Volunteering Contribution: adults*

The team of volunteers at Sussex Nightstop are awarded for their dedication and selfless acts in providing emergency accommodation for young people at risk of homelessness. They offer food, a bed, washing facilities, a listening ear and support to very vulnerable young people.

## **Young People's Voice at Allsorts**

*Winner of category: Outstanding Volunteering Contribution: young people*

Young People's Voice is a campaigning and engagement project for lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans youth aged 16-25. The young volunteers are awarded for their outstanding vision, dedication and commitment to tirelessly campaigning for issues they are passionate about.

## **CVSF**

*Winner of category: Best Trustee Board*

The CVSF Trustee Board is awarded for their consistent leadership through an intensive change process which has seen more or less everything about CVSF change. They have embraced this with energy and commitment; have been brave and creative and have provided much support and direction.

We would like to thank the judging panel who gave up their time to judge the nominations. And to all our members who took the time to vote in the Members' Choice category.