

# Regional Social Work Awards 2026

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**Nominations are now open!**

## Top Tips for writing your nomination!

1. Make sure to select the correct Award category – which of category and criteria best suit your nominee- play to their strengths!
2. Read the Guidance Document and make sure you refer explicitly to the Award category criteria – the judging panels will be assessing against the written criteria in each category.
3. Write how you speak and speak from the heart - bring the person to life on the page!
4. Outline the difference the nominee(s) make to the lives of service users, to the team, the organisation – be descriptive – be passionate!
5. Use testimonies about the nominee(s) that makes them stand out from others and refers to the criteria but do not rely only on what people say about the nominee(s) also include details about the impact they make
6. Consider drafting your nomination in a Word document and pasting the final version into the nomination form on Citizen Space.
7. Do not include attachments or links – judges will not refer to these.