

ADDERBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Date of Parish Council Meeting	Tuesday 27 October 2020
Agenda Item Number	<i>Item 10 (iv)</i>
Author	Oliver Ighani
Title of Report	Community Award
Summary	To discuss whether to implement a Community Award for those who make a significant contribution to the Community of Adderbury.
Recommendation	To consider all the aspects and community feedback before implementing such an award.
Reasons for the Recommendation	Mixed feedback from the community on the award.
Impact on Budget	<p>If the award were to be a certificate then impact on the budget would be nil, however I have looked into the cost of an engraved prism medal from Timpsons, which would give more kudos to the award. This would cost approximately £2.49 plus the cost of engraving.</p> <p>The suggested engraving would be "Adderbury Community Medal", followed by the recipients name and the year of the award, so approx 40 characters to be engraved.</p> <p>There are many other options available from medals, to engraved glassware or even trophies.</p>
Risks	From community feedback discussed below the only possible risk is that one may not wish to be recognised for their input and could endanger highlighting someone who wishes to remain anonymous for their benevolence.

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Background	<p>The idea of achievement for input to a community should generally be recognised and that individual bestowed with an honour, whether an award or at least a mention in the wider community. For this reason we proposed discussing the creation of such an award at the last meeting and deferred discussion to this meeting after some research took place on the matter by myself.</p> <p>I decided to open the question to the wider community, via two channels. First by posing the question on the Nextdoor App which has a following of approximately 600 neighbours in Adderbury and secondly by a note the Parish Council website.</p> <p>I had responses both verbally and by email and also via the Nextdoor App.</p> <p>The general feedback was positive with the award to be considered annually. Recognition should really be for those that made a contribution without having gained any financial or exposure benefits for themselves individually or for their associates. In other word recognition of true acts of kindness where the award winner wasn't seeking any personal benefit.</p> <p>My proposal is that the community nominate individuals with supporting information for why the nominees should be considered and this information could be passed to the council via the face to face surgeries once the library is reopened. The council could then collate the information and could then vote on the recipient to be awarded on that particular year.</p> <p>One member of the community made a very good point in that there could be two categories.</p> <p>1: Anyone who has made a major difference to the quality of life and the sense of wellbeing in the village and can be retrospective or even posthumously presented.</p> <p>2: For someone currently or more recently contributing.</p> <p>One other member of the community also made a point that sometimes people just don't want to be recognised as they could get embarrassed and just simply wish to be benevolent without any wider knowledge by the community.</p>
Supporting documents; advice, reports etc should always Be attached to the report and listed here	See Nextdoor App for responses via the public forum.