

The Coventry Award of Merit

Terms of Reference

1. The object of the Coventry Award of Merit shall be to publicly acknowledge and honour behaviour reflecting the highest ideals of citizenship or outstanding performance in any worthy field of human endeavour which enhances the good name of the City of Coventry and affords inspiration to its citizens.
2. Any person, company or other organisation shall be eligible for consideration for the Coventry Award of Merit who has:-
 - 2.1 Rendered outstanding service to the City of Coventry in service to the local community.
 - 2.2 By outstanding personal effort in the field of sport, industry, government or the arts, brought particular renown to the City of Coventry.
 - 2.3 Made an outstanding contribution to the national life or in international affairs in any field of human activity in a manner which has brought credit upon the City of Coventry.
 - 2.4 By personal example of courage or devotion to duty and service to others, demonstrated the highest ideals of citizenship.
3. The grant of the Award of Merit shall be made by the City Council on the recommendation of Cabinet Member for Policing and Equalities, who will be advised by an Advisory Panel established for the purpose.
4. The Cabinet Member and Advisory Panel shall endeavour to maintain consistently high standards in the submission of recommendations and accordingly shall be at liberty to make such further enquiry into a nomination as they think proper and shall be under no obligation to submit any recommendation unless they are satisfied that in doing so such standards would be maintained.
5. Any individual or organisation (including any member of the panel of Assessors) may submit a nomination for the Award of Merit. Any such nomination shall be in writing and submitted to the Director of Law and Governance, with a detailed statement of the grounds on which it is made.
6. The Award of Merit shall take such form as the City Council may from time to time determine but shall include a Citation signed by the Lord Mayor for the time being stating the grounds on which the Award has been made.