



## **The search is on for our Young Citizen of the Year**

Nominations have just opened for Epping Forest Young Citizen of the Year Award 2019.

The award, presented annually, recognises young people's exceptional contributions to the Epping Forest District. This can be in terms of outstanding courage, service to the community or showing extraordinary commitment, energy and effort in a particular cause or achieving a particular goal. 11-18 year-olds living in Epping Forest district are eligible for nomination.

The finalists will be invited to the District Council's Civic Awards in March 2019 where the winner will be announced and will receive £300 and a certificate of achievement.

### **Making positive contributions**

Chairman of the Council, Councillor Richard Bassett said: 'The Young Citizen of the Year Award highlights the positive contributions that young people make throughout our district in so many different ways. Many of these young people are unsung heroes and we want to recognise the tremendous contributions they make to their communities. So if someone springs to mind, now is the time to nominate them for a Civic Award.'

This year's winner was Mitchell Tassie from North Weald. His citation described him as "a young man working to improve the lives of many in his local community by helping to make it a safer place to live. He puts his community at the heart of everything he does and is a truly kind, caring and inspirational young man."

### **Make a nomination**

To nominate a young person for the Young Citizen of the Year award either:

- Complete the online nomination form at [www.eppingforestdc.gov.uk/youngcitizen](http://www.eppingforestdc.gov.uk/youngcitizen)
- Pick up a nomination form at EFDC buildings, local libraries and secondary schools

The closing date for nominations is **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2018**.

### **Further information**

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