**Get Salford Learning Adult Awards 2025**

*Celebrating learning success for adult learners in Salford*

November is the start of **Get the National learning week,** a week dedicated to strengthening and showcasing commitment to lifelong learning.

To shine a light on people and organisations getting Salford learning and recognise examples of adult learning that support healthier futures, stronger communities, more opportunities, local growth, and richer lives, we have organised the **Get Salford Learning Adult Awards 2025.** We need your help to find our learning stars and champions who deserve recognition.

**Do you know a winner?**

Do you know an individual who deserves an Adult Learning Award? If so, please complete the attached form, giving your details and information on the person or group you would like to nominate for an award. The learner awards will be held on:

**A date for your diary**

The Get Salford Learning Awards will take place:

**Thursday 6th November, 12noon**

**(Doors open at 11:30am)**

**Eccles Town Hall**

**Church Street**

**M30 0LH**

**Get Salford Learning Adult Learner Awards**

These awards have been organised by Salford Learning to:

* Celebrate the achievements of adult learning
* Share experiences of adult learning
* Motivate others to continue learning in their adult life

**How to submit a learner for an award**

We welcome nominations from anyone who knows someone who has changed their life through learning. Learners must be over the age of 18 and have been studying in the city of Salford since August 2024.

Please complete all relevant sections as only **fully completed and signed forms** by both nominator and nominee can be considered. Please ensure you have the consent of the person you wish to nominate.

**Award selection**

Those shortlisted will go through panel selection consisting of learning providers and community representatives.

**Categories**:

**1. The Juggler's Award:** Celebrating those who balance learning with childcare, caring responsibilities and other life demands that often get in the way of learning.

**2. The Braveheart Award:** For the learner who has challenged themselves by stepping out of their comfort zone, trying something completely new, and embracing the courage it can take.

**3. Unintentional Teacher:** To celebrate a learner who inspires and guides their peers through their actions, attitude or leadership, without even realising.

**4. The Spark Award:** Recognising the learner whose enthusiasm and curiosity ignites discussions and energise those around them.

**5. Learning Without Walls:** For a learner who excels in learning that takes place outside of the conventional classroom.

**6. Brilliance Beyond Labels Award:** Celebrating the insight, creativity, and strength that neurodiverse learners and learners with learning differences, bring to their learning journey and to those around them.

**7. The Unsung Hero Award:** To celebrate a champion, be it volunteer, learner or staff member, who quietly makes an impact or difference, doing so without seeking recognition.

**8. Transformations Award:** This award recognises a learner whose journey shows the transformative power of learning. Through commitment and growth, they have reshaped their future and inspired others to believe in what’s possible.

**9. The Steppingstones Award:** To recognise a learner who has overcome major barriers to learning and kept moving forward through resilience and hope.

**10. Connector of the Year:** To celebrate a learner or volunteer who builds bridges, uniting communities and cultures together.

**Completing the form**

Please take time to answer all questions as comprehensively and as clearly as possible. A detailed description will assist the judging panel when selecting the winners. Please type directly onto this form. **There are 4 sections to this form.**

If you wish to print the form out and complete it by hand please do, you can either post it to The Broughton Trust, drop it into the Civic Centre or your [local Gateway](https://www.salford.gov.uk/council-buildings-and-venues/gateway-centres/) (FAO Georgia Boland – Skills and Work Team).

* The Broughton Trust, Humphrey Booth Centre, Broughton Salford M7 1NY
* Salford Civic Centre, Chorley Road, Swinton, Salford M27 5FJ

**Closing date**

* Please note that the closing date for all nominations **is Friday 10th October 2025.** Any applications received after this date will not be accepted.
* **Completed nomination forms should be emailed to** [**SkillsandWork@Salford.gov.uk**](mailto:SkillsandWork@Salford.gov.uk)

**SECTON A: details of the individual/group whom you wish to nominate**

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| **Individual Details** | | | |
| Title: | First Name: | Surname: | |
| Address: | | | |
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| Tel No: | | | |

**OR**

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| **Group Details** | |
| Group Name: | |
| Address: *(where the invitation can be sent)* | |
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| Tel No: | |

**SECTION B: Details of nominator**

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| Title: | First Name: | | Surname: |
| Organisation you work for  (if applicable): | |  | |
| Address: | | | |
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| Tel No: | | | Email Address: |
| Signature: | | | Date: |

**SECTION C: Publicity release statement**

**For Individuals:**

I *(insert nominated individual name)*…………………………………………………………….am aware that I have been nominated for the Get Salford Learning Adult Awards. I understand that publicity arising from this nomination will be used by the Get Salford Learning Adult Awards Group and that I may be profiled in the press and/or radio/television. I consent to the use of the information in this application for publicity purposes.

Signed………………………………………..………………………….……… Date………………………..…

**For Groups:**

We *(insert nominated group name)*……………………….……………………….………….are aware that we have been nominated for the Get Salford Learning Adult Awards. We understand that publicity arising from this nomination will be used by the Get Salford Learning Adult Awards Group and may be profiled in the press and/or radio/television. We consent to the use of the information in this application for publicity purposes.

**List all group members below:**

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| **Group Member Name** | **Group Member Signature** |
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***(Use an additional sheet if required)***

**Note: This nomination will be considered only if the above statement is signed.**

**SECTION D: Information about your nominee/group**

To be completed by the nominator. To preserve anonymity in the selection stage, **please do not use the nominee’s name/group name in this section.**

**Winning an award can sometimes change a person’s life forever. Please make all effort to include as much relevant information as possible, as this will be used by the judging panel.**

***“If you don’t write it – the judges can’t read it.”***

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| **What category are you nominating them for:** |  | |
| **What learning programmes has your nominee/group undertaken? Briefly describe their achievements.** | |
| **Looking at the category description, how does your individual/group relate to this? Please give details.** | |
| **Do you have any other information you have to share that could support this application.** | |

**END OF FORM**