

# Louise Smalley Walk

## Recipient Nomination & Election Rules.

### Who can nominate a recipient?

1. The previous year's walkers, support team members or bonus ball members.
2. So, for the 2019 recipient it will be a 2018 walker – 2018 Support Team member and Bonus Ball members at the date of the walk.

### Who has the right to vote at the nomination meeting?

3. The previous year's walkers, support team members or bonus ball members.
4. So, for 2019 recipient it will be a 2018 walker – 2018 Support Team member and Bonus Ball members at the date of the walk.

### How do you nominate a possible recipient?

5. You apply, **in writing or by e-mail**, to Joe Mason (by 31<sup>st</sup> July of the previous year (so for 2019, you apply by 31<sup>st</sup> July 2018)).
6. E-mail address = [joemason1961@live.com](mailto:joemason1961@live.com)  
Postal address – 1, New Street, Whitwell, Worksop, Notts. S80 4QN
7. Remember to state whether you are a walker, support, or bonus ball member, the group you are nominating and a brief description of the activities of the group.

### What happens then?

8. Depending on the number of nominations, there are a few options to be taken by the committee.
9. If there are **NO** nominations then the committee will meet to discuss the situation and will provide an answer.

10. If there is only **1** group nominated then the committee will meet to discuss the nomination and, in most cases, will ratify the nomination. Obviously false groups will be rejected (eg. Joe Mason Wednesday Skint Fund. This will be at the committee's discretion.
11. If there are between 1 and 4 nominations then the committee will set up an election process. This will be a meeting at the Whitwell Community Centre on the 3<sup>rd</sup> FRIDAY IN SEPTEMBER. Notification of meeting will be posted on local notice boards 14 days in advance of the meeting.
12. If there are over 4 nominations the committee will meet to discuss all nominations and reduce the list down to 4. **The decision of the Committee will be final.**
13. Each nomination will be invited to write a short description of their organisation and the project. This should be presented as a word or PDF document, submitted to Joe Mason by 14th August 2018.  
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14. This information will be made available to the membership via the facebook page and/or the web site.

### **How does the election work?**

15. Each nominator will be invited to attend the meeting with **1** representative of the group nominated.
16. Each nomination will then have the opportunity of a **5** minute presentation slot to “put across their case” to the assembled audience. This will not be in any particular order.
17. At the end of the presentations the audience will be issued with a ballot slip to select their preference. Only valid members, as mentioned above in sections 1 & 2, will be issued with ballot slip.
18. Voting will also be allowed by proxy by the following procedure.
19. Request for proxy voting form must be made in writing to Joe Mason by last Friday in August 2018.  
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Postal address – 1, New Street, Whitwell, Worksop, Notts. S80 4QN .
20. A reason for non-attendance must be stated on the application.
21. It is at the discretion of the committee to judge that the reason is valid and, therefore, accepted or rejected.
22. A proxy voting form or a letter explaining reason for declining the application will be sent to the applicant.

23. Completed form to be received by Joe Mason NO LATER than the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday in September 2018.  
Postal address – 1, New Street, Whitwell, Worksop, Notts. S80 4QN .
24. Spoilt forms will be rejected.
25. A record of proxy votes will be kept by Joe Mason.
26. Completed, valid forms will be taken to the Nomination meeting for inclusion in the “count”.
27. A member **cannot** vote by proxy then attend the meeting and vote again.
28. When voting is complete, the Chair of the meeting plus 2 independent people drawn from the audience will count the votes (not nominees, nominators or committee).
29. The nomination with the most votes becomes the following year’s recipient.
30. In the case of any kind of tie, then the result will be decided by **Joe Masons’ casting vote. If Joe Masons’ vote does not correspond with the “tied nominations” then result will be decided by the MEETING CHAIRS casting vote.**

### **Additional Information**

31. A meeting will only be called in the case of multiple nominations.
32. The meeting will commence at **8.15pm**.
33. In Joe Masons’ absence then the Meeting Chair will be pre-selected at a committee meeting prior to the nomination meeting.
34. It is an “**Open**” meeting so we will not close the doors. Late arrivals are welcome.
35. Only in extreme circumstances will the recipient be rescinded.
36. Only the **Committee** can rescind a recipient. In this case the recipient and nominator shall receive written communication as to the reasons for the decision.