

## The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service

Nominations for The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service 2023 open on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 and close on 14<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

Nominations must be submitted using the online form at: https://qavs.dcms.gov.uk/

The nomination form and letters of support <u>must not</u> be written or submitted by a volunteer, employee, trustee or anyone involved with the running of the group.

The Awards are published on **2nd June**, the anniversary of Her Majesty's coronation.

The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service is for **exceptional groups** of volunteers who are making a **positive impact** in their **community** and **benefiting others** through their work. We are looking for volunteers who have taken the **initiative** to **create**, **lead and drive** forward the work of their organisation and are doing this in a way that is truly **distinctive and excellent.** 



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## **Eligibility Requirements**

- The group must be made up of three or more people.
- $\checkmark$  The group must be based in the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man.
- ✓ The group must have been operating for at least three years.
- ✓ It must provide a specific local benefit.
- ✓ QAVS is not intended for national organisations. However, an individual branch that serves a local community can be nominated.
- ✓ We are looking for evidence that the volunteers are initiating and managing the group's work. We would expect the group to have more volunteers than paid staff.
- ✓ More than half the group's volunteers must have the right of residence in the UK.
- X Groups operating solely for the benefit of animals are not eligible.

For detailed requirements and more information about groups that are branches of national organisations, based in statutory settings, fundraising and/or grant giving visit: https://qavs.dcms.gov.uk

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