

# Louise Smalley Walk

## Recipient Nomination & Election Rules.

### Who can nominate a recipient?

1. The previous year's Walkers and Registered Support Team members.
2. So, for the 2022 recipient it will be a 2021 Walker or 2021 Support Team member who appear on the walk controllers list.

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

3. The previous year's Walkers and Support Team members.
4. So, for the 2022 recipient it will be a 2021 Walker or 2021 Support Team member.

### How do you nominate a possible recipient?

5. You apply, **by e-mail with the subject line: Nomination**, to **lswalkapplication@gmail.com** (by 31<sup>st</sup> July of the previous year (so for 2022, you apply by 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021)).
6. Remember to state whether you are a Walker or Support Team member, the group you are nominating and a brief description of the activities of the group.

### What happens then?

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

9. 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. Holiday in Barbados Fund). This will be at the committee's discretion.
10. 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. Notification of meeting will be posted on the LSW Facebook page and/or website 14 days in advance of the meeting.
11. 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.**
12. 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 as soon as possible. The earlier the better (longer time on website for people to view).  
E-mail address = **lswalkapplication@gmail.com**
13. This information will be made available to the membership via the Facebook page and/or the web site.

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

14. Each nominator will be invited to attend the meeting with **1** representative of the group nominated.
15. 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.
16. 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.
17. 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).
18. The nomination with the most votes becomes the following year's recipient.
19. In the case of any kind of tie, then the result will be decided by **the MEETING CHAIR'S casting vote.**

## Additional Information

20. A meeting will only be called in the case of multiple nominations.
21. The meeting will commence at **8.15pm**.
22. In the absence of the Walk Manager (Chair of the Walk Organisers Committee ) then the Meeting Chair will be pre-selected at a committee meeting prior to the nomination meeting.
23. It is an “**Open**” meeting so we will not close the doors. Late arrivals are welcome.
24. Only in extreme circumstances will the recipient be rescinded.
25. 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.