

Surprise “Spirit of Surrey” Award for local charity

There was an unexpected surprise for Guildford based charity, Surrey Youth Focus last week as they scooped the highest accolade of “Spirit of Surrey” Gold award for their innovative Communilab project at the inaugural Surrey Digital Awards. The award, presented by former BBC broadcaster Robin Bailey, recognised the charity as “going above and beyond the call of duty for the betterment and promotion of Surrey” through their digital work.

Reflecting on their award CEO of the charity Cate Newnes-Smith commented “Communilab connects communities, universities and colleges, local authorities and businesses, enabling voluntary groups to work in new partnerships and build projects that will significantly improve the lives young people in Surrey. It provides a broad range of services including an online forum.”

She went on to say “Communilab also provides a mechanism for companies to actively engage with community projects as well as to identify local issues and trends and better understand family issues affecting their workforce.”

Surrey Youth Focus also picked up a silver award in the school, education or charity website category for www.surreyyouthfocus.org.uk being pipped to the post by WWF UK.

Collecting the Awards on behalf of Surrey Youth Focus, Information and Social Media Manager, Karen Moore exclaimed “This is a total shock, we really didn’t expect this! We are only a tiny charity so to receive this recognition is a testament to the efforts of the whole staff and trustee team”

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