SPONSORED: Entries are open for the 2023 LeicestershireLive Innovation Awards

The LeicestershireLive Innovation Awards have launched for 2023, and nominations are open now. The awards, with headline sponsors De Montfort University, Morningside Pharmaceuticals and the University of Leicester, will be held on February 16 2023 at the National Space Centre in Leicester. For more information, or to enter, visit the website.

The awards celebrate those across Leicestershire who have gone above and beyond to innovate and push Leicestershire forward. Through innovations in technology, services, digital advances and creative thinking, our nominees will have made their mark over the last 12 months and accomplished outstanding things.

Over the last few years, innovation has become more important than ever. In the face of the pandemic, people across Leicestershire found innovative ways to adapt and thrive — from businesses to schools to students to sports clubs, these trailblazers have helped keep the region alive and ready for the future. It's these innovators that the awards celebrate, and as always we're looking for nominations from across Leicestershire that showcase such outstanding accomplishments.

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There are a variety of categories that can be entered — including Innovation in Food and Drink, Innovation in STEM Industries, Innovation in Sustainability and Innovator of the Year. So if you know of an individual or organisation worthy of recognition, we want to hear from you. Entries can be submitted via the official website — with nominations closing Sunday January 8.

The full list of categories is as follows:

- Innovation in Creative sponsored by <u>De Montfort</u>
 University
- Innovation in Education & Community
- Innovation in Food & Drink
- Innovation in Logistics and Exports sponsored by <u>Acute</u>
 <u>Business Advisory</u>
- Innovation in Med-tech & Life Sciences sponsored by
 Morningside Pharmaceuticals
- Innovation in STEM Industries sponsored by <u>Mira</u>
 <u>Technology Institute</u>

- Innovation in Space sponsored by <u>University of</u>
 Leicester
- Innovation in Sport, Well being and Accessibility sponsored by <u>Loughborough University</u>
- Innovation in Sustainability sponsored by <u>Intelligent</u>
 <u>Energy</u>
- University Student Innovation sponsored by
 Loughborough University
- Innovator of the Year
- Outstanding Contribution Award