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Jelf Insurance Brokers announce finalists in the 2016 Local Business Charity Awards

Jelf Insurance Brokers have today announced the finalists in the 2016 Local Business Charity Awards. Founded by the insurance brokers in 2014, the awards aim to highlight and praise the support given to Gloucestershire charities by Gloucestershire businesses. 2016 saw a record number of entries, from charities of all shapes and sizes, across the three categories.

The judges for the 2016 awards were:

- Jenny Eastwood, editor of the Gloucestershire Echo
- Dame Janet Trotter DBE, the Lord Lieutenant of Gloucestershire
- Dr Diane Savory OBE, Chair of GFirst LEP
- Mr Alex Chalk, MP for Cheltenham
- Mr Phil Barton, Group CEO, Jelf Group PLC

As per last year there were three awards to enter, Corporate, Team and Individual.

The finalists are:

The Corporate Award – Finalists		
	Name of company (alphabetical order)	Name of charity
1	Ecclesiastical Insurance	The Nelson Trust
2	Endsleigh Insurance	County Community Projects (CCP)
3	Willans Solicitors	LINC

The Team Award – Finalists		
	Name of company (in alphabetical order)	Name of charity
1	Cheltenham Race Course	County Community Projects (CCP)
2	Cotswold BMW	The Nelson Trust
3	SFC Group	Pied Piper

The Individual Award – Finalists		
	Name of Individual (Christian name in alphabetical order)	Name of charity
1	Bex Lewis from Cleeve Residential Lettings	The National Star College
2	Mark Ratcliffe from Endsleigh Insurance	County Community Projects (CCP)
3	Nigel Bicknell from Bicko's Bike Shack	The Nelson Trust

Phil Barton, CEO for Jelf Group, sponsor of the award said,

“Yet again the entries from Gloucestershire charities for the 2016 Local Business Charity Awards have exceeded all expectations. The level of commitment and support from Gloucestershire businesses is quite incredible, and everyone at Jelf is extremely proud to be running these awards and highlighting their great work.”

The awards final will take place on Thursday 17 November at The Star Bistro, National Star College, Ullenwood, Cheltenham. Winners of the Corporate and Team awards will win £1,000 each, to be donated to the charity they support. The winner of the individual award will win a weekend away to the value of £250.

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About the Local Business Charity Awards

- The awards were inaugurated in September 2014
- The awards recognise the contribution made by local Gloucestershire businesses and their staff to local Gloucestershire charities
- The awards are sponsored by Jelf Insurance Brokers
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- Jelf is a leading consultancy supporting businesses and individuals with expert advice on matters relating to insurance, employee benefits, health insurance and financial planning. Its purpose is simple: to build a long-lasting relationship with clients and to become their Trusted Adviser.
- In December 2015 Jelf became part of Marsh & McLennan Companies, a global leader in risk, strategy and people.
- Jelf was formed in 1989 by Chris Jelf and now has 36 offices in 33 locations across England and Wales employing over 1,200 members of staff.
- For further information about Jelf, please visit www.jelfgroup.com