



Charity of the Year

Stage 2 Judging Date: **Wednesday 16th September 2026, 09:00-18:00 at Eco-Power Stadium**

Eligibility

- This award is open to all charities, not for profits and CICs with charitable status. For those outside of third sector, who still try to make a positive impact in the Doncaster area, we do have a separate "Local Impact of the Year" award.
- Only businesses in DN postcode OR Doncaster Chamber members can apply.

Criteria

- Financials must be completed for your entry to be put forward for stage 1 judging. Should there be any discrepancies in your financials please ensure to explain in your answer.
- Entries must have a Doncaster focus specifically referencing impact your business has had on the area or community.
- Eligible organisations should be reflecting on the past 12 months activity prior to entry
- All completed entry forms must be submitted by Sunday 7th June 2026
- Stage 2 judging will take place on Wednesday 16th September 2026 at Eco-Power Stadium between 09:00-18:00. Please ensure to block this out in your diary should you progress to this stage. This cannot be moved.
- Maximum of 3 categories per company can be entered.
- Word count must be adhered to avoid disqualification

Questions & Guidance

You will be scored against these questions (Max 400 words per question).

1. Explain the vision and performance of the business/organisation, including financial performance
2. Describe how the charity has been effective in raising awareness of a particular issue. Make sure to give concrete examples of your effectiveness, whether that's by showing how far you have managed to amplify your message, the people that you have reached or the publicity that you have attracted for your cause.
3. Explain how you have used innovative ways of fundraising for your organisation including mobilising volunteers.
4. Clearly explain how the charity developed strong and effective partnerships with a range of Doncaster stakeholders/businesses and how these partnerships are mutually beneficial including what has been achieved through them, and how they have been maintained.
5. Detail what contribution has the charity made to Doncaster's people and communities. Include would be: stories or case studies that showcase the human side of your work; statistics that measure how effective you have been in carrying out your mission; and any major milestones or achievements from the past twelve months.
6. Demonstrate how your charity ensures long-term sustainability and resilience. Explain how you plan for the future, including financial stability, governance, and the development of your team or volunteers. Provide examples of how you have adapted to challenges, improved your operations, or strengthened your organisation over the past 12 months, and how this positions you for continued impact."

Apply here

This will open a Google Form.

Please do not rely on the form to auto-save your submission. We suggest writing your submission externally and pasting into the form.

If you have any questions, please email: awards@doncaster-chamber.co.uk

Non-member fee: £100 +VAT