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TEAM OF THE YEAR

The Brighton and Hove Special Olympics team are officially the Sussex Sports Team of The Year.

They were selected for the award for their amazing success at this year's Special Olympics where they won 9 gold, 11 silver and 4 bronze medals – described by Sussex Sports as “truly brilliant achievement by the Special Olympics squad.”

The team were delighted to accept this award at the ceremony hosted by the Sussex Sports Awards and held at The Brighton Hilton Metropole Hotel on Friday 13th November.

The team train and compete in a number of sporting events including swimming, power lifting, 10-pin bowls, indoor bowls, golf and football.

Grace Eyre – a Brighton-based charity that provides a wide range of support to adults with learning disabilities – in partnership with Special Olympics Brighton and Hove coordinated training for the team of talented sportsmen and women.

Special Olympics Chair and Grace Eyre Director, Eva Jarvis commented: “We are delighted that the efforts of the athletes and the coaches have been recognised by the Sussex Sports Awards judges. Recognition for all their achievements will be a great incentive for the athletes as they train to develop their individual performances for future sporting events.”

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Notes to editor

About Sussex Sports Awards

The Sussex Sports Awards aim to recognise the wealth of sporting talent, reward outstanding sporting achievements and applaud the contributions to sport across the county – whether from athletes, clubs coaches or volunteers.

About Grace Eyre

Grace Eyre is a charity supporting people with learning disabilities to make the most of opportunities in their communities. It provides person centred services to 200 people, employs some 80 staff and is supported by over 50 volunteers. Its work covers East and West Sussex and the Brighton & Hove district.

For further information

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Special Olympic Brighton & Hove

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