Battle Town Council 1066 Writing Competition

Winners

Adult competition

Winner Alex Lutton

Certificate of commendation Kay Hunting

Children's competitions

Junior winner Seth Fuller, Guestling-Badshaw C of E Primary School

Certificate of Commendation none awarded

Senior winner Rosie Wright, Bexhill Academy

Certificate of Commendation Catrin Deacon, Bexhill High School

Presentation of trophies

Adult competition

As neither Cllr Field nor Cllr Dixon was available, Cllr David Furness (in his role as Mayor) presented the salver to Alex Lutton during the interval of the Trout concert.

Kay Hunting has received a framed certificate.

Children's competitions

Cllr Margaret Kiloh presented the shield (that she has kindly donated for this competition) to Seth Fuller before the Animals concert.

The Town Clerk had not been able to communicate successfully with Bexhill Academy, so the senior schools shield has not yet been presented to Rosie Wright. Another attempt to contact the school will be made after half term.

The winners each had two tickets to the concerts, donated by Battle Festival. They also received a book token, donated by Battle Books, and a framed certificate.

Catrin Deacon's certificate will be posted to the school.

Future actions

- Produce a press release (wait until senior winner has been notified/received shield?)
- · Post winners' entries on the BTC website
- Write to thank Battle Festival and Battle Books for their support
- Write to RDC thanking them for the grant and complete any actions required as part of the award
- Arrange a working group meeting to produce a full report to ER&TD with recommendations regarding the future of the competition
- Produce a full report of expenditure for ER&TD



Adult Competition

Comments from the judging panel included:
"A highly imaginative response which works well."
"The author's vision of the future has a hollow ring of truth about it. This could easily build into a novella" (for publishing).

Winner – Alex Hutton

Junior Competition

The judging panel liked the contrasts in this poem. "The writer evokes the image of past of present. There's a wonderfully specific sense of place."

Winner - Seth Fuller



Senior Competition

One comment from the judging panel was that "The enigmatic poem is a fragment, a mysterious moment and the language is refined and strong."