



Dear all,

Wow. Wow. Wow. What a day.

We've just left Buckingham Palace where we celebrated The Youth United Social Action Awards with 200 young people and volunteers plus many more honoured guests. The room was bursting with pride and a sense of awe at what can be accomplished when young people are given the support to change their lives and their communities for the better.

We heard our Patron and Founder, HRH The Prince of Wales speak from the heart about his personal experience as a cadet and give the highest awards to units from Fire Cadets, Girls' Brigade, Sea Cadets and Girlguiding.

We heard from Minister for Civil Society Rob Wilson about his commitment to social action and his enthusiasm about the work of Youth United in creating over 42,000 new, sustainable opportunities for young people to join uniformed groups around the country with government support.

And vitally, we had conversations with each other where we heard personal stories about the life changing impact that joining the new Youth United supported groups has had for the young people and volunteers who were being celebrated today.

If you have a minute, I encourage you to look at the Youth United twitter stream (@YouthareUnited) – there are literally hundreds of amazing pictures and stories from the day. I hope they bring a smile to your face.

Thank you for sharing this special occasion with us!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lindsay".



HRH The Prince of Wales joins uniformed youth groups at Buckingham Palace to celebrate newly formed units across the country

The inaugural Youth United Social Action Awards took place on 31st January at Buckingham Palace in the presence of HRH The Prince of Wales and the Minister for Civil Society, Rob Wilson. Read more about the award-winning social action from our uniformed youth groups.

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Step up to social action

Ryan Bickle (11), Mohammed Usman (20) and Alex Jones (19) represent a small part of the 12 [#iwill](#) ambassadors, who served as judges for the top awards. Youth United caught up with them, just before the event, to talk all things social action and to hear about their experience as judges.

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Youth United Social Action Awards 2017

We invite you to read every fantastic social action story from all our 14 nominees.

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