

## West Moors Parish Council Jean Ware Legacy Award 2018

On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018 prior to the parish council meeting, Daniel Neild aged 17, received the 2018 Jean Ware Legacy Award. The Chairman of the Council, Cllr Mike Hawkes, presented Daniel with an engraved glass trophy which he will keep indefinitely to remind him of his achievements. Daniel will also be able to claim up to £1,000 to help his progression in his chosen sport, football.

Daniel first applied for the award in 2016 when he was playing football for Wimborne Town under 15's and received a glowing reference from the team manager who highlighted Daniels attitude and commitment to football, saying that he was a strong and clever footballer and had a bright future in the sport.

Daniel applied again in 2017 and this highlighted his progress by being invited for trials at Yeovil Town FC. He was offered a contract for the under 16's with Yeovil for the 2017/18 season. He played at the Gothia Cup in Gothenburg, Sweden (the largest youth tournament in the world) as part of the under 16's squad and the team reached the semi-finals. He also played in the county schools' football squad representing Dorset.

Daniel took his GCSE's in 2018 and passed all the exams that he took and achieved a Level 8 grade in PE. In August he was selected to become a scholar at Yeovil Town FC on a two-year scholarship. This is a great step in Daniels future and a huge commitment not only for Daniel but for his parents, who have a lot of travelling to do.

Daniel has shown that his progression in football and his commitment and achievements are to be commended and in Daniels words, 'I am very proud of myself for achieving my goal of a footballing scholarship and look forward to making West Moors Parish Council very proud of their home-grown footballing talent'

