



# We Are A Finalist

**The Maggie Oliver Foundation (TMOF)** has been named a finalist in the **Micro-Organisation** category at the **2026 Northern PoWEr Women Awards**.

**TMOF** is recognised for its powerful, trauma-informed support to survivors of sexual abuse and exploitation, delivering life-changing advocacy, emotional support and specialist services to those failed or overlooked by traditional systems.

Through its Survivor Support Network and frontline casework, the Foundation has created measurable impact—strengthening survivor confidence, increasing access to justice pathways, and amplifying the voices of women and girls whose experiences have too often been ignored.

Although based in the North West, **TMOF** has a national reach and has made a significant impact by challenging systemic inequality, championing survivor-led change, and driving forward national conversations on safeguarding, accountability and support for vulnerable people.

Its work continues to influence policy, shape public awareness, and build a future in which every survivor is believed, supported and empowered.

*"Being recognised in the Micro-Organisation category is a testament to the courage of the survivors we stand alongside every day, and to the dedicated team committed to fighting for truth, justice and lasting change,"*  
*said The Maggie Oliver Foundation.*

TEN **10** YEARS

2026 NORTHERN  
**POWER**  
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# MICRO ORGANISATION

— FINALIST —



The  
**Maggie Oliver  
Foundation**

Transforming pain into power

Category Partner:



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## **Finalists announced for the 2026 Northern PoWEr Women Awards - landmark tenth year celebrating those driving equity, inclusion and social impact across the North**

The Northern PoWEr Women Awards returns for its tenth anniversary year, marking a decade of recognising the individuals and organisations accelerating gender equality, belonging and inclusion across the North of England.

### **Key highlights:**

- A record-breaking 1,800 nominations, with finalists selected by 90 independent judges across 12 award categories and three Game Changer lists
- Europe's largest celebration of gender equality
- Winners to be announced on Thursday 12 March 2026 at Manchester Central Convention Complex
- Co-headline partners Barclays and Bank of America, supported by AstraZeneca, Arcadis, Asda, BT Group, Connected Places Catapult, KTSL, LNER, Weightmans and Manchester Airports Group
- Finalists spanning sectors including rail, finance, charity, sport and education, showcasing innovation, leadership and measurable progress

On **Thursday 12 March 2026**, the Northern PoWEr Women Awards, will bring together over 1,000 influential leaders, organisations, entrepreneurs, changemakers and advocates from across the North to mark its milestone tenth year. Taking place in the week of International Women's Day, **Europe's largest celebration of gender equality** will shine a spotlight on the role models driving progress and building a fairer, more inclusive future.

This year's finalists represent the full breadth of the North's talent across business, technology, health, education, construction, professional services, manufacturing and the third sector. From frontline emergency services and grassroots community organisations to senior leaders shaping rail, infrastructure, health, technology and professional services, the 2026 entries reflect the scale, diversity and ambition of those creating change. Now **more than 120,000 strong**, this community is driving down barriers, opening doors to opportunity, and converting inclusive leadership from aspiration into practice.

The Northern PoWEr Women Awards marks a decade of championing gender equality and inclusive leadership, convening a powerful cross-sector network across the North West, Yorkshire, North East and North Wales. This growing movement has helped accelerate cultural change, strengthen diverse talent pipelines and position the North as a national leader in equity, inclusion and social impact - while celebrating the achievements of the role models, allies and organisations reshaping workplaces, communities and industries.

**Simone Roche MBE, Founder and CEO of We Are PoWEr, said:**

“Reaching our tenth year is a powerful moment for the Northern PoWEr Women Awards. What began as a bold idea has become a movement that shines a light on those who are not only achieving success but actively using their influence to open doors for others. The 2026 finalists reflect the very best of the North – courageous leaders, committed allies and organisations driving real, measurable change.”

The Awards continue to recognise both individual excellence and organisational leadership, celebrating future talent, established leaders, advocates and partners embedding equity and inclusion into strategy, culture and everyday practice. Finalists were selected from a highly competitive field through a rigorous judging process focused on demonstrable impact, leadership, innovation and long-term commitment to advancing equality and opportunity.

A full list of finalists across all categories can be viewed [here](#)

Winners will be announced at the 2026 Northern PoWEr Women Awards ceremony, bringing together finalists, partners, supporters and advocates to celebrate ten years of progress and look ahead to the next chapter of collective impact.

2026 partners include co-headline partners Bank of America and Barclays, Future List Game Changer partner AstraZeneca alongside category partners Arcadis, Asda Property and Construction, BT Group, Connected Places Catapult, Gleeds, KTSL, LNER, Manchester Airports Group and Weightmans.