



## BRIAN ABEL-SMITH LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD NOMINATION GUIDELINES

Honouring the work of Brian Abel-Smith, an influential pioneer in the field of social welfare, LSE Health is proud to host the Brian Abel-Smith Lifetime Achievement Award. The award recognises individuals who during their lifetime have made **a significant intellectual contribution to the field of health policy and achieved notable policy impact, benefitting population health**. In line with Abel-Smith's own approach and achievements, award criteria place equal weight on research excellence and policy impact.

### THE BRIAN ABEL-SMITH AND WALTER HOLLAND FUND

This award is supported by the Brian Abel-Smith and Walter Holland Fund and LSE Health. The Fund honours the legacies of Abel-Smith and Holland and their contributions to health policy, social welfare, health economics and public health. The Lifetime Achievement Awards complement existing prizes awarded annually to LSE students working in the field of health policy and economics.

The achievements of Abel-Smith, Holland and their fellow social policy pioneers have been chronicled in an LSE biography series commissioned by the Fund, LSE Pioneers in Social Policy. Sally Sheard's critically acclaimed biography of Abel-Smith, *The Passionate Economist*, launched the series in 2014.

You can find out more about the Fund, its activities and current LSE research in health policy at [lse.ac.uk/lse-health](https://lse.ac.uk/lse-health).

### SELECTION COMMITTEE

Nominations are reviewed and selected by a Selection Committee based at the LSE. Committee members may also nominate candidates according to the eligibility criteria below. Committee members will be required to declare any conflicts of interest prior to the start of the selection process. The Selection Committee will operate in line with the LSE's guidelines for committees and advisory boards complying with the School's Ethics Policy and other relevant policies and procedures.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Nominees can be from varied backgrounds, including academics, practitioners, and policy makers, but must have a minimum of 25 years of professional experience. They can be still working or retired. They must be able to demonstrate:

- A significant body of intellectual work in the field of welfare policy, health policy, health economics or health services research
- Tangible impact on policy or health care delivery

Current LSE salaried staff cannot be nominated for an award, but can make nominations.

### NOMINATION PROCESS

To make a nomination please complete an award nomination form and submit it (in PDF or DOC format) by **5pm on Friday 13 February 2026** to [lse\\_health@lse.ac.uk](mailto:lse_health@lse.ac.uk). Submissions must be sent electronically.

Nominees cannot self-nominate. Nominations should typically be submitted by academics, policymakers or any other distinguished experts in the field.

### FREQUENCY OF AWARDS

Subject to the quality of nominations, an award will be made every three years.

### AWARD

Award winners will receive a prize of £10,000. As a condition of receiving this award, the recipient will be invited to deliver a lecture at the LSE. The award will be presented at the lecture.

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