

**AWARDS have finally been presented to some of Worcester's best and brightest young musicians after the coronavirus crisis saw the original ceremony cancelled.**

The Mayor's Best of Worcester Awards had been due to hold its annual ceremony in March this year, but this had to be cancelled as the country went into lockdown.

Cllr Allah Ditta, then Mayor of Worcester, visited Tudor Grange in December to present awards to seven musicians: Amy Palmer, Harrison Leaver, Emily Vine-Taft, Ben Ettridge, Josh Ettridge, Miya Crosland and Dan Lightowler.

Keith Slater from Community Boost, who organised the awards, said: "Sadly the opportunity for these young people to perform at a full house in The Guildhall was scuppered by the virus.

"I was so disappointed, as for many of them the opportunity has gone forever.

"However, the plus side was that it was so good to see them all again, especially with their winners plaques.

"Worcester should be proud of just how talented these young people are."