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Youth worker happy after TV show shock



PROMOTIONAL T-SHIRT: From left, Trevor Elliott with mum Janice Winston and Lambeth Action For Youth co-founder Terone Williams

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A YOUTH worker met his footballing idol and secured crucial funding during a TV appearance.

Trevor "TJ" Elliott got the shock of his life when he was invited on to the Surprise Surprise stage by the ITV show's host, Holly Willoughby.

The 23-year-old was recognised for his work running Lambeth Action For Youth club, based at Wellfield Centre in Wellfield Road, Streatham Hill.

He was nominated by his mum, Janice Winston. After hearing praise from youngsters who attend the club and their parents, it was revealed ITV would cover a year's rent at the centre.

TJ, once a promising footballer, got another treat when QPR and former England defender Rio Ferdinand, who he said was a role model because of his South London roots and his achievements in the game, joined him

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on stage and offered mentoring for a year through his foundation.

The estate agent, who lives in Curtis Field Road, Streatham, told the *South London Press*: "It was genuinely a surprise. I was told the club was being considered for a documentary about youth clubs. I thought I was going to meet the director at ITV and got dragged into the audience for Surprise Surprise, and then she called my name.

"I was really nervous but it was amazing to get our rent paid for a year. Costs are the main trouble, so this funding will enable us to focus on developing projects without having to worry. I am really grateful."

Days out in London for the young people were also donated.

Lambeth Action For Youth, set up with director Terone Williams in 2011, runs on Friday evenings and offers free access to a music studio, dance

and drama workshops, as well as table tennis and computer games.

It attracts young people aged eight to 16 and is aimed at breaking down gang rivalries and bringing kids from different estates together.

TJ first launched the South Oak FC youth team, which he coaches on his estate in Valley Road.

He said: "I love helping young people, and providing facilities that most of them can't afford is very rewarding.

"We started doing this because we identified a lot of work that could be done in the area.

"The long-term goal is to address rivalries between estates, encourage young people to channel their energy, and help them progress and realise their potential."

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