

Parish Councils Forum – Tuesday 21st June 2011

1. Community Consultation Conference – Saturday 25th June 2011

There are still places at the Conference due to a number of cancellations and other events on the same day.

Conference starts at 10.00 am with registration and light refreshments from 9.00 am onwards.

Lunch is provided and transport can be arranged if required.

Please contact Fiona Scott, Policy and Performance Officer (Equalities) on 01527 881719 or email f.scott@bromsgroveandredditch.gov.uk

2. Bromsgrove No Barriers – Disabled Access Awards 2011-2012

The Bromsgrove Disabled Access group met on Monday 20th June to discuss the nominations and the further evidence from mystery shopping, website testing and other information gathered about the 14 nominees.

The results were that 13 businesses or service providers will receive the award which will be presented at 3.00 pm on Saturday 25th June in the Council Chamber. Anyone can attend to support the award winners.

The award is a simple framed certificate and a window sticker with the right to use the logo in the business from 1st July 2011 to 30th June 2012.

The winners are

Core Assets Group Limited	set up a support network for employees who are parents of disabled children
The Ryland Centre, Bromsgrove	for sports activities for disabled people
Asda, Bromsgrove	provide a good service to disabled people and have trained staff in appropriate ways of assisting visually impaired people
Bromsgrove Library	provide assistance to disabled people wanting to learn how to access the Internet

F.V.Darbon	provides exceptional service to disabled people according to their needs
Poundland, Bromsgrove	provides excellent access round the store
Card Party, Bromsgrove	assists disabled people both entering and inside the store
Hampton the Opticians	will collect and return disabled to their homes
Willowbrook Garden Centre	provides assistance to visually impaired people
The Strand Café	have added a street level section for disabled people who can't use stairs
Rural Rides	volunteers who assist disabled people
Mick Booth, Driver of B.U.R.T.	exceptional personal assistance to disabled people
The Garden Factor	a social enterprise for disabled people which enables them to earn small amounts of money and share between them
Bramble Dog Walking Club	as above

Information about the winners will be available on the Bromsgrove Council's website and in the local press in the next 1-2 weeks.

For further information see

<http://www.bromsgrove.gov.uk/cms/community-and-living/equality-and-diversity/disabled-access-awards.aspx>

or contact Fiona Scott as above.