



PRESS RELEASE

Local Business & Local People Competition

Successful local businesses were commended by the Rushmoor Strategic Partnership (RSP) at a reception hosted by the Mayor of Rushmoor, Councillor David Welch and Chairman of the partnership, Councillor Peter Moyle on Thursday, 21st June at Rushmoor Borough Council Offices.

The competition, sponsored by the Aldershot News Group, was launched at a business breakfast reception in October last year. It is aimed at local businesses that have contributed to the community to improve quality of life in Rushmoor.

A range of nominations were received from businesses in the area, all of which have made a positive impact on local people. A selection panel of partners reviewed the nominations.

Norris and Harding (Aldershot) Ltd (local builders) were selected as winners for their outstanding list of construction and financial support to the local community including work for the Connaught School, Badshot Lea Play Group, Aldershot Boys Football Team, Aldershot Football Club and various community events in Aldershot.

Princes Mead Shopping Centre was selected as runner up for the support it has given to numerous local projects and charities throughout the year. Princes Mead sponsor the Farnborough Town under 15 football club, host the Young Enterprise Competition and have helped to raise thousands of pounds for local charities.

Councillor Peter Moyle, RSP Chairman commented: "The selection panel were very impressed with the nominations and have decided to run the competition annually. The Partnership is also delighted that as a result of the competition Gary Little, Princes Mead Centre Director, has joined the Partnership."

Entries for next years 'Local Business and Local People' competition need to be submitted by Friday 14th March 2008. More information and a nomination form is available at www.rushmoorsp.com.

The Rushmoor Strategic Partnership (formed in 2002) is the local strategic partnership for Rushmoor and brings together major agencies (public, private and voluntary) in the district including Rushmoor Borough Council to work together to make Rushmoor a better place to live, work and visit. The Rushmoor Strategic Partnership is working towards improving economic, social and environmental wellbeing for the area and is keen to ensure that local business have a chance to contribute towards that.

For further information about the Partnership please visit www.rushmoorsp.com



Photo Caption: Keith Harding (Norris & Harding Ltd) receives his award from the Mayor of Rushmoor and RSP Chairman, Peter Moyle



Photo Caption: Gary Little (Princes Mead Shopping Centre) receives his award from the Mayor of Rushmoor and RSP Chairman, Peter Moyle

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