

Local Agenda 21 Awards Wirral Winners February 2006

Wirral had some success yesterday at the LA21 Awards, notably in the community category where the Bidston & North Birkenhead Environmental Action Group (BNBEAG) won the Changing Lives award and the overall award of Community Project of the Year.

Grove Street School won the sustainable schools award while runners up in the daytime ceremonies included the Local Agenda 21 Forum for their FairTrade in Wirral campaign, and Thornton Hough Village Trust for the Scarecrow Festival.

Wirral Independent Recycling Enterprise (WIRE) were winners in the community stewardship for business category, while runners up in the business categories were Wirral Warm Homes and Cosy Homes projects (both Regeneration), Technical Services road safety section, the Royden Park project and a Hoylake based company called OmniQ who make an innovative replacement for gas capsules.

Shortlisted projects over all categories were:

Surestart Birkenhead North - Brassey Gardens
Dee Estuary Voluntary Wardens - Wild Birds on West Kirby Beach
Wirral LA21 Forum - Wirral Opposes Waste event
Woodlands Primary School - school grounds development
Wallasey School/Acacia Horticultural - Compass Point Gardening Club
Greasby Infant School - the Greasby Growers
West Kirby Grammar School - Outreach Sustainability
Upton Hall School - FairTrade Action Group
Friends of Hilbre Island - Hilbre Island Website
MBW/Maritime Housing - Environmental Wardens
Regeneration - Wirral Landlord Accreditation Scheme
Parks & Open Spaces - Hilbre Island Wind Turbine
Recoplas- new business granulating post consumer plastics
Technical Services - Hoylake Park & Ride scheme
Parks & Open Spaces - Wirral Way Restoration
Peel Hey Country Guest House- green tourism
The Learning Lighthouse - The Wirral Green Machine

Unfortunately we didn't manage to retain the overall Merseyside 21 Award - that was won this year by St Helens.

If anyone would like any information about any of the projects, please contact Sue Weldon - *Local Agenda 21 Co-ordinator/Metropolitan Borough of Wirral* - Sueweldon@wirral.gov.uk/tel: 0151 606 2364

Groundwork Merseyside Local Agenda 21 Awards February 2006 (Full List)

Community

The Knowsley Partnership Sustainable Health Award

Winner : Mansion House Kitchen Garden - Surestart Central
(St Helens)
Runner up: Envigorise (St Helens)

Liverpool Culture Company Changing Places Award

Winner : Linear Park Community Project (St Helens)
Runner up: Scarecrow Festival – Thornton Hough Village Trust

St Helens Together Changing Lives Award

Winner: BNBEAG (Wirral)
Runner up: Planet (St Helens)

Groundwork Schools Physical Environmental Improvement Award

Winner: St Theresa's RC Primary School (St Helens)
Runner Up: Moss Lodge Community Environmental Centre
(St Helens)

Liverpool City Council Sustainable Schools Award

Winner: Grove Street Primary (Wirral)
Runner up: St. Teresa's Primary (Devon Street St Helens)

Environmental Communication Award

Winner: Outreach for Older People (Knowsley)
Runner up: Fairtrade in Wirral- Local Agenda 21 Forum

Community Project of the Year

Winner: BNBEAG (Wirral)

Business Awards

St Helens Health Partnership Sustainable Health Award

Winner: Bum Deal Nappy Project (St Helens)
Runner up: Wirral Warm Homes

Changing Places Award

Winner: Taylor Park Restoration (St Helens)
Runner up: Graffiti Removal Service (St Helens)

MERBEN H, S & E Management for Public Sector

Winner: Sustainability Matters (Knowsley)
Runner up: Krafty the Kerbside Fox (Wirral - Road Safety Section)

NQA H,S & E Management Award for Business

Winner: South Liverpool Commercials
Runner up: LIS (North Western) (St Helens)

Environment Agency Energy, Water, Waste Management for Public Sector

Winner: Knowsley Energy Team
Runner up: Wirral Cosy Homes

Sefton Council Energy, Water, Waste Management for Business

Winner: WF Doyle & Co Ltd (Liverpool)
Runner up: LIS (North Western) (St Helens)

MBW Environmental Innovation & Technology Award

Winner: Eco Warrior Energy Monitoring System (Knowsley)
Runner up: Airpac- OMNIQ (Wirral)

Riverside Housing Community Stewardship for Public Sector

Winner: Safer Spaces Better Places (Knowsley)
Runner up: St Peter's Community Heritage Project (St Helens)

Knowsley Council Community Stewardship for Business

Winner: Wirral Independent Recycling Enterprise
Joint Runners up: Yew Tree Farm (Knowsley) and
Royden Park Project

Shell UK Oil Environment Communication Award

Joint Winners: Sefton Environmental Information Pack and
Knowsley Pride Campaign
Runner up: Knowsley Energy Play

St Helens Council Environmental Business of the Year

SME Winner: WF Doyle & Co Ltd (Liverpool)
Non SME Winner : Mayfield Construction Ltd (St Helens)