





The Accessible Britain Challenge Awards 2015

Background

The Accessible Britain Challenge works to try and get communities to be more accessible places where everyone can take part. This means working with disabled people to get rid of barriers that stop them from taking part in the community.



About the Awards

The Accessible Britain Challenge Awards are there to show to the public the organisations that are really helping communities. They are making communities more accessible places where everyone can take part. These organisations can be councils, service providers and businesses.



We hope that some of the organisations put forward for this award might be working together with other organisations, this is called working in partnership.



We also hope to see organisations with new ideas and new ways of working. All organisations put forward for this award will show how they are getting rid of barriers for disabled people.







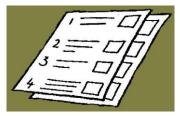


This is to make sure that disabled people can live full and independent lives, and can

take part in their community.

Categories: the projects, pieces of work, services and social activities that you or your organisation choose for this award can come under 4 different areas called categories.





There are 4 categories, these are:

Improved Mobility: this means making sure that it is easier for disabled people to get around

This could be:

- Making transport services better
- Making access to public places, the countryside and shops better
- Making access to work, education and housing better







New ideas around ways of using Buildings, Spaces and Places

This could be:

 New ideas about how to change buildings, spaces and places to make them more accessible, so that disabled people can be a part of them.









 Making sure that disabled people can access activities and services in their community in buildings, spaces and places that are already there.



Safer Neighbourhoods: this means making the places where people live safer

This could be:

- Dealing with disability hate crime
- Examples of support networks in the places where people live
- Examples of how local communities have been made safer for disabled people





Inclusive Social Activities: these are social activities where everyone can take part This could be:

- Group social activities that have been made accessible so that disabled people can take part
- This could be art, entertainments, music, cooking, education and sport.











Nominations: this means putting forward an organisation for the award.

Who can put an organisation forward for this award?

This can only be done by disabled people or disabled people's organisations in your community.



We hope that by only having two types of people that can put an organisation forward, it will support disabled people and their organisations to take part.



We also hope that this will help disabled people to see from their real life experience how they have been supported by local projects, pieces of work, services and social activities.



You cannot put yourself forward for this award. This means that you cannot put forward your own project, service or social activity.



You can be put forward by your service users and the people that use or take part in your project, service or social activity.









How to put an organisation forward for this award?

This must be done on The Accessible Britain Challenge Awards nomination form. If you need a form in a different format then please let us know.



Where do you send this form to?

This form should be sent by email to Brian Keating at

fulfilling.potential@dwp.gsi.gov.uk



If this is not possible please send a hard copy of the form to:

Brian Keating
Office for Disability Issues
Ground Floor
Caxton House
6-12 Tothill Street
London, SW1H 9NA



Timeline

All forms must be with us by midnight on **Friday 19 December**. Any forms that we get after this date **will not be looked at for the awards**.

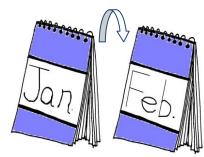




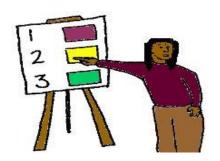




The decision about winners of the awards will take place during January and February 2015.



We hope to choose 3 organisations for each award category. We will let the organisations know by the middle of February 2015. This list will be put up on The Accessible Britain Challenge website.



The winners of each award will be decided at an event during March 2015. The date and place for this event have not yet been decided.



More information

For more information about the awards or on how to put an organisation forward for this award:

Call Brian Keating on **0113 251 9828**

Or email fulfilling.potential@dwp.gsi.gov.uk









The Accessible Britain Challenge Award Nomination Form

This is the form that you use when you want to put an organisation forward for this award



Information about the person filling in this form

Your name:

If you are filling in this form for an organisations then please tell us your job or role title. If not then leave this blank:

If you are filling in this form for an organisation then please tell us the name of the organisation that you work for. If not then leave this blank:







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Your Telephone Number:

Your Email Address:

Information about who you want to put forward for this award

Name of the organisation, group, forum or person that you want to put forward for this award:







Which award category does the project, piece of work, service or social activity come under?

The categories are:

- Improved Mobility
- New ideas around ways of using Buildings, Spaces and Places
- Safer Neighbourhoods
- Inclusive Social Activities

Name of the Project, piece of work, service or so activity:	cial
Address:	

Contact telephone number:

Email address:







Tell us about the project, piece of work, service or social activity that you want to put forward for this award.

In 100 words tell us about the project, piece of work, service or social activity.







Tell us about the difference that this project, piece of work, service or social activity has made. Tell us about the good things that have come about because of this and what barriers you have managed to get rid of.

In no more than 200 words, tell us about how the project, piece of work, service or social activity has made the lives of disabled people better.







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Closing date: this form must be with us by Friday 19 December 2014.

