

Coastal Awards for Conservation Projects

North Devon Coast Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty in Partnership with Barnstaple and District Civic Society is delighted to invite nominations for their conservations awards for the Coastal Area of North Devon and Torridge..

The Natural Environment Award Projects which support the aims of the both AONB and Biosphere Reserve that enhance the landscape, wildlife or natural beauty of the coastal parishes area. This will be a practical project which could involve removal of an eyesore, new planting, management for nature conservation purpose, improvements to access to a natural area.

The Built Environment Award

This award will be for the conversion of an existing building, a new building, enhancement of a street scene or conservation of a historic monument that conserves and enhances the landscape of the designated area.

Latest Closing Date for entries : Monday 1st June, 2009.

The winners will be presented with their awards, engraved cups, trophies and certificates at the award ceremony in the Guildhall Barnstaple on Friday **19th June 2009 at 7.15 p.m.**

Nomination Forms and details are available from the North Devon AONB Website at www.northdevon-aonb.org.uk

Award Criteria

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Introduction

The North Devon Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty comprises the cliffs, beaches, combes farmland on the coastal strip of North Devon. The designation recognises that this is an area where people live, work and play and consequently that there will be development and change. However the Designation does place a statutory responsibility on us all to ensure that development does not detract from the natural beauty. These awards aim to recognise the high standard of work which has been carried out in the AONB.

The AONB is part of the North Devon Man and the Biosphere Reserve recognised by UNESCO for its rich wildlife and the contribution of local people in caring for the area in an environmentally sustainable way

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The Awards

There will be no monetary value attached to the awards and the winner in each category will be awarded a trophy or plaque and a certificate to display. At the end of the year the trophy will be returned to Barnstaple and District Civic Society. The winner in each category will also be featured on the North Devon AONB website, in press releases and if appropriate in publications. The awards are open to groups, individuals, organisations, businesses, schools and youth groups

Eligibility

The nominee must have enhanced the natural or built environment of the North Devon Coastal Area in or close to the AONB. The scheme should hold all the necessary LA consents, planning permission, building regulation, conservation area and listed building consents.

Eligible areas include the coastal areas of the following Parishes:

Combe Martin	Abbotsham
Berrynarbor	Alwington
Ilfracombe	Parkham
Morteheo and Woolacombe	Clovelly
Georgeham and Croyde	Hartland
Braunton	Welcombe
Northam	Woolsery



North Devon AONB Boundary

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Award for contribution to the built environment

This award will be for the conversion of an existing building, a new building, enhancement of a street scene or conservation of a historic monument.

The criteria are as follows:

Appropriateness of the scheme in terms of Design and Execution – The scheme should be ‘good design’. By this we mean a scheme that is fit for purpose, sustainable, efficient, flexible, responsive to context, good looking and clear expression of the requirements of the brief. The building must work well for all its users.

Appropriateness of the scheme in terms of context – The scheme should respect the local distinctiveness, where appropriate, and where modern and innovative design is used these should not result in a visually intrusive scheme. Buildings should where appropriate show recognition of local vernacular features and characteristics.

Appropriateness of the scheme in terms of materials – The schemes should respect local building material in terms of colour texture and use. This should not preclude the use of modern materials, where appropriate, or the innovative use of materials.

Appropriateness of the scheme in terms of its setting – The scheme should show integration into the surrounding landscape. Both in terms of the initial design and the use of landscaping, measures taken to integrate the scheme such as planting, paths, boundary walls or hedges should be part an integral part of the design.

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Award for contribution to the Natural Environment

This award is given to projects which support the aims of the both AONB and the North Devon Biosphere Reserve. The winning entry will enhance the landscape, wildlife or natural beauty of the eligible area. It should be a practical project which could involve removal of an eyesore, new planting, management for nature conservation purpose, improvements to access to a natural area. It will not include interpretation boards, leaflets or publications

Eligible projects will meet one or more of the following criteria:

Contribute to the protection or enhancement of native wildlife habitats within the area.

Contribute to the protection or spread of rare, protected or Devon Biodiversity Action Plan priority species

Removal of invasive species

Contribute to the enhancement of the landscape or scenic beauty of the area

Improve access for all to enjoy to natural beauty and wildlife of the area

Protect or Enhance sites of geological or historic interest

Barnstaple & District Civic Society Conservation Awards 2009

Entries are invited for the following categories:-

Building Restorations
Wildlife & Countryside Projects
Heritage Projects, e.g. books/tapes

1. Schools, Colleges & Groups for those between 12-19 years
2. Schools and Groups under 12 years
3. Individual Adults and Adult Groups

Latest closing date for submission of entry form is Monday 1st June 2009

Inscribed cups and trophies [to be held for one year], together with Certificates will be presented at the Award Ceremony on Friday 19th June at 7.15 pm in the Barnstaple Guildhall

ENTRY FORM

Name of Individual or Group submitting entry:-

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Type of Entry [building restoration, environmental, etc.] :-

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Location of Entry.....

Name & Tel. No or Email of contact person.....

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Any query with this entry please contact:- Cllr. John Wilsher on tel.No: 01271 374899 or email: sizzleofbarum@clara.co.uk

Please return this form to:-

Cllr. John Wilsher, 8 Walton Way, Barnstaple. EX32 8AB.

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CONSERVATION AWARDS 2009, SCHOOLS SECTION

OPEN TO ALL NORTH DEVON SCHOOLS

Name and address of School or College

Name of person to be contacted in connection with the entry

Name of entry (brief information on the type of activity undertaken)

Closing date for entry - Monday June 1st, 2009

Awards Ceremony at Barnstaple Guildhall , 7.15 pm 19th June 2009

Entry forms or telephone calls to:

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