

Mrs Kate Brailsford  
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Dear Mrs Brailsford

**Local Council Award Scheme: Quality**

Thank you for your submission for the Quality Award for Holymoorside and Walton Parish Council.

This is a challenging level of Award in terms of both the criteria and the accreditation process. Achieving the Award is evidence of the Council's commitment to good governance and practice and providing a proper framework for its service to the community, incorporating ongoing improvement and development. It is a significant step up from the Foundation Award and from the predecessor Quality Award.

The LCAS Accreditation Panel has asked me to inform you that it particularly commended your Council for ensuring it was well-placed with good governance and public service standards to be able to make an early submission for the Award.

The Panel examined your submission and your additional commentary and evidence and was pleased at the responsiveness of the council and its commitment to improvement. The Panel noted that the council is well organised. For example, the Clerk is able to instantly cite adoption, latest amendment and review dates for all policies.

The Panel is delighted to confirm that it has awarded Holymoorside and Walton Parish Council the **Quality Award**.

Holymoorside and Walton is the first council in Derbyshire to be given this Award.

Your certificate will be sent to you shortly. If you would like this formally presented to your Council, you might wish to make a request to Derbyshire ALC who will endeavour to accommodate this. Congratulations on your council's achievement.

Yours sincerely

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