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**Ashley House collects Commendation Award for Byron Park Neighbourhood Resource Centre, Harrow**



Simon Duffy, Chief Architect for Ashley House and Mark Grinnoneau (pictured right), Chief Executive of Brent Harrow Hillingdon LIFTCo, are pictured collecting their award from the Mayor of Harrow, Eric Silver at Harrow Heritage Trust's Architectural and Environmental Awards ceremony

Also at the presentation were Josephine Mcaffey and Madeleine Mayhew of Harrow Town Council, John Graveling, Chairman of BHH LIFTco and Raj Mandelia, Architectural Technician for Ashley House.

The Commendation is a fitting reward for the partnership behind the Neighbourhood Resource Centre projects, comprising Harrow Council and BHH LIFTco and supported by Ashley House. The Neighbourhood Resource Centres include 3 individually designed buildings in Harrow, of which Byron Park is one, delivered via LIFT for Harrow Council. Each centre is designed to provide flexible day support services for adults with severe learning disabilities, helping them integrate into the local community. Byron Park services for example have links to the local leisure centre and the centre also has facilities for cultural and educational activities, meetings and other types of gatherings involving the local community. The development has been designed to be energy efficient with a range of innovative features.

Other projects nominated for the Harrow Architectural and Environmental Awards included new private houses, apartment blocks, a public building, a school, as well as extensions to churches and homes and several non-building improvements.

Run in conjunction with Harrow Heritage Trust and Harrow Town Council, the biennial scheme aims to reward the best-looking developments that make an outstanding contribution to their neighbourhood.



Pictured left to right are John Graveling, Chairman of BHH LIFTco, Simon Duffy, Chief Architect, Ashley House plc, Marilyn Mayhew and Josephine Mcaffey of Harrow Town Council, Raj Mandalia, Ashley House plc