



The National Diversity Awards
29-31 Seymour Terrace
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Dear Emma

National Diversity Awards 2016 – WeAre1 – Community Organisation Award

I am writing in support of WeAre1, a local community support organisation. WeAre1 was designed to deliver cohesive strategies and activates that support people with disabilities within our community who became disenfranchised due to a lack of inclusion within the community support sector. They were designed to provide a catch all safety net.

Hounslow Chamber of Commerce represents the voice of over eighteen thousand businesses; 16,000 of which are SMEs and 10,000 employ between 1 and 10 people. These 10,000 are majoritively familial businesses that are owned, managed and run by local people employing local people. It is this join-up between business and people that requires us, as a Chamber of Commerce of Commerce, to be very mindful of the social needs of our businesses and the necessity to work with and engage with local community groups, particularly WeAre1.. They become absolutely fundamental to the success of the borough as a commercial driver to west London – people run businesses and social inclusion for all people in the borough regardless of their circumstances is an imperative. The services provided by WeAre1 make this possible.

The borough is hugely diverse which can generate exclusion through communities, origin, wealth etc. The supply chain of west London is an essential tool for cohesion and community groups – WeAre1 – are the inclusive glue; an essential part of the equation. We totally support, promote, recommend WeAre1 for the Community Organisation Award at the National Diversity Awards 2016.

Yours sincerely



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