

Rhiannon's work goes on display



PROUD artist Rhiannon Fraser (right) has had her work put on public display after she was the winner of Charnwood Borough Council's Purchase Prize.

The five oil on canvas paintings have been hung in the Beacon

Room at Loughborough Town Hall.

Each year, the Council buys work from the Loughborough University School of Art and Design Degree Shows to be displayed across the Borough.

Clr Peter Lewis, Charnwood's Cabinet member for Leisure and Culture, said: "I welcome these paintings which continue our creative connection with young artists. We're proud to display Rhiannon's work."

WOULD you like to make a difference and have your say on how Charnwood Borough Council can improve its services?

If the answer is yes, then why not join the Council's Citizen's Panel - Your Charnwood, Your Say!

Being a member of the panel gives you the opportunity to tell the Council what you think and suggest.

Panel members are invited to take part in postal surveys, telephone surveys, online polls and focus groups covering a variety of issues including crime, anti-social behaviour, refuse and recycling, cultural and leisure

Have a say and make a difference!

services, the standards of the Council's customer services plus the building of new homes and businesses in the Borough.

One member of the panel, Julie Armstrong, said: "As a citizen of Loughborough, I have lots of ideas and opinions about our town but little time to phone or write

a letter expressing them.

"I find being on the Panel is an easy way to get some of these heard."

Matthew Wade, Charnwood's Consultation Officer, added: "We value everything that our members say and we will pass your views and responses to the people within the Council responsible for the issues discussed."

If you are interested in becoming a member of the panel, simply log on to www.charnwood.gov.uk/pages/citizenspanel.

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Alternatively, call (01509) 634 989 or email consultation@charnwood.gov.uk and a form can be sent out in the post.

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1,400 sign up to free service

A FREE service which helps people with mobility problems get out and about has signed up its 1,400th member.

Loughborough Shopmobility, based in the Town Hall Passage, was formed in October 1996 and has assisted people with short and long-term mobility problems.

Currently, there are around 400 day-to-day members who take advantage of the 14 vehicles.

These include one four-wheeled scooter, eight three-wheeled scooters, an electric wheelchair, two manual wheelchairs and two motor-assisted wheelchairs, which help the pusher.

Lessons are given to people who have not used the vehicles before when they sign up to Shopmobility.

The scheme is open Monday to Saturday between 9am and 3.45pm and car parking spaces are available for Shopmobility customers in Macaulay House Car Park.

To find out more about Shopmobility, call (01509) 634 706, email shopmobility@charnwood.gov.uk or log on to www.charnwood.gov.uk/pages/shopmobility