

## TURNSTYLE WINS TOP ACCOLADE

North Devon-based Turnstyle Designs Ltd has been awarded a Queen's award for enterprise - the UK's highest accolade for business success.

The honour was awarded in the category of 'International Trade' in recognition of exceptional export sales.

As a Queen's Award winner, Turnstyle Designs can expect an invitation to attend a special reception at Buckingham Palace later in the year. It is also allowed to use the Queen's Award emblem in advertising, marketing and on packaging for a period of five years as a symbol of its quality and success.

Started in 1992 by Steve Roberts, the company has grown into one of the foremost producers of design led architectural hardware, specialising in high end door and furniture handles.



Steve Roberts MD of Turnstyle Designs



Charlotte Summer Thompson is pictured with Paul Nero and Kay Priestley from Radio Exe

Photo: Graham Warwick Photography

## STARS FOR A NIGHT AT THE PRIDE OF DEVON AWARDS

The sixth annual Pride of Devon awards were sponsored by Bicton College and hosted by Paul Nero of Radio Exe.

Charlotte Summer Thompson won the BHP Fuel Child of Achievement award after being nominated by her mother Paula. Charlotte suffers from autism and has speech and language development difficulties which has made communicating tough.

In the last 12 months she has taken her GCSEs and overcome many hurdles with support from her family and the team at South West Autism.

She is now able to travel by herself by bus to Exeter College, where she is working on a course called Paths 2 Independence. Here she can brush up her maths and

English, as well as learning practical skills such as cooking or going shopping. Other winners were:

Devon County Show Volunteer of the Year: Emma Baldwin, who for 25 years has volunteered with Gateway, a social club for adults with learning difficulties.

The Honest Truth Teacher of the Year: Clare O'Riley, newly promoted to deputy head teacher at Barley Lane School, Exeter.

Mi-Space Community Sport Award: Cheryl McGauley, who chairs Exeter Youth Rugby.

Bicton College Pride of Devon Lifetime Achievement Award: Kelly Hayman-Bruce, a charity fundraiser who for nearly 20 years has led a group of Macmillan Cancer Support volunteers in Devon.

## Electric car for hire, by the hour

An electric car revolution has arrived to help people access smart shared electric cars for a fraction of the cost of owning.

It will help improve the air quality in Exeter and bring the city into the forefront for shared electric mobility.

Exeter and the far South West's first shared electric car launched with Co-cars, the hire-by-the-hour car network.

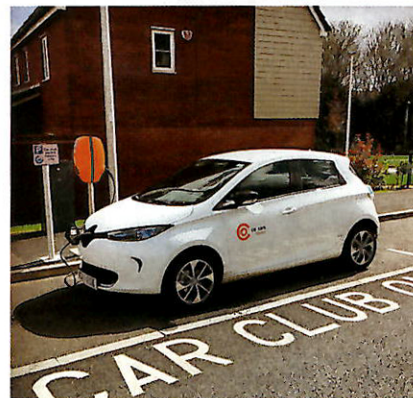
The electric Renault Zoe is the first of a growing fleet of electric cars which will be parked at on-street locations next to its own electric charger. The first one is

in Albatross Road, Newcourt, Exeter. It is available for just £4.75 per hour and free mileage.

This will make Exeter at the forefront for shared electric mobility, being only the second city in the UK to have on-street self service electric cars and bikes.

The Renault Zoe is easy to drive, quiet, has a range of up to 190 miles and is zero emissions as its electric is from 100% renewable energy.

**Find out more about the scheme at** [co-cars.co.uk/electric-vehicles](http://co-cars.co.uk/electric-vehicles)



The Renault Zoe