



### **Life long Scout Leader is Citizen of the Year**

Bob Greenwood was presented with the Mayor's Award for Citizen of the Year at the annual Mayor Making ceremony on May 19 in Slough in Berkshire.

The presentations were the first official duties of new Mayor, Councillor Latif Khan.

Former British Telecoms executive Bob Greenwood, of Kendal Drive, Slough, has devoted a lifetime to the Scouting movement throughout the UK and in Slough for the last 25 years.

Bob, 68, finally retired as district commissioner of Slough District Scout Association at the beginning of this year, after first taking on the role 20 years ago.

As well as running scout groups, he has also been a volunteer for Slough Victim Support Group, a trustee and chairman of an activity centre in Wales and chairman of the Slough and Berkshire Youth and Community Committees until 1997.

He was chairman of the Haymill Youth and Community Centre for many years and a member of Orchard Youth Club Committee.

He is staying on as a member of Slough Scout Fellowship and is providing support for the new District Commissioner, Bruce Clark.

Nominating his colleague, Bruce noted Bob's 'passionate, undying attention to the voluntary sector', including 50 years of unbroken service to the scouting movement.

"I feel he has put so much into the voluntary sector that the Citizen of the Year award would be a wonderful way of providing recognition for his efforts," he said.

Bob's first encounter with the scouts was being a member of the Cubs at just eight-years-old when he was living in Cambridge.

He became a leader in 1955 and during national service he ran the 36th Hong Kong Scout group until 1957.

He has also helped organise major scouting events, such as WINGS 1993 and 1998 in Windsor.

He said: "I was extremely surprised and honoured when I heard I had got the Citizen of the Year award. I knew nothing about it until the council contacted me."

The photo shows Bob (Centre) with the award with the Mayor of Slough (right).



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Berkshire Scouts is part of the Scout Association which itself is part of the World Organisation of Scout Movements, the largest co-educational youth movement in the world and in the UK.

It contributes to the fulfilment of their potential using a progressive and enjoyable values-based programme for personal development. It provides a programme of fun, friendship and adventure for young people aged 6 to 25. There is an emphasis on outdoor adventure and helping others.

In Berkshire there are 7,7717 (2005 annual census) young people and adults enjoying a wide range of Scouting activities. Scouting is mainly provided through over 130 local Scout Groups and District-based Explorer Scout Units.