

Dedicated walkers Betty and Harry are awarded



Two of the High Peak Walks for Health team have received awards for their contribution to the highly popular programme.

Betty Payne and Harry Mayo have been presented with Derbyshire Older Person Physical Active Champion Awards from Sport England and Derbyshire PCT.

High Peak Borough Council's Cultural Services team nominated the dedicated walkers for the award because of their excellent volunteer work on the Walks for Health programme.

Both Betty and Harry are very active walk leaders who create a varied array of walks that everyone enjoys.

High Peak Walks for Health is a programme of guided walks around the High Peak area. The walks are graded according to accessibility, and range from easy through to challenging, and include wheel and walk routes for those in wheelchairs and buggies. The Countryside Agency and High Peak's Community Sports Co-ordinator train the volunteer guides.

Councillor Andrew Bingham, High Peak Borough Council's Executive Member for Social and Community Development, said: "The Walks for Health programme is a true success and this is because of the dedication of volunteers such as Betty and Harry. On behalf of the Council I would like to thank both of them for their hard work, and congratulate them on their much-deserved recognition."