

Mobility maters

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We would like to welcome from the end of January four students from Plymouth University who will be working on the above project as part of their social work degree.

The Transport HUB will be a service that will enable people with mobility needs to book journeys to and from their destinations on accessible Transport. Live Access to Trains, Buses, Taxi companies and Flight providers, with assistance to help make the process easier. The HUB will become a valuable resource for disabled people in Exeter .

New Pricing Structure

As from 1st March 2011 the price for vehicle hire is changing.

Daily vehicle hire will be £4.75 per day.

Holiday Long Let will be £6 per day for manual wheelchairs and £10 per day for the collapsible boot scooters.

The reason for the increase is that ECTA's future funding is uncertain and it is becoming increasingly difficult in the current economic climate to raise sufficient money for our services.

We will Endeavour to keep our costs down.





Interview with Mary Widgery

Hi Mary what is your role in E.C.T.A?

Reception and general administration, I am in charge of taking bookings along with sorting out the post and taking care of the Financial banking, meeting and greeting visitors and customers..

How long have you been with E.C.T.A?

I have been with E.C.T.A for 10 years now both here and at our previous home in the King William street car park..

What are your day to day duties?

Coming into the building and opening up, I start the day by going through any messages on the phone and checking the bookings for the day, I spend the majority of the day going through finances and writing letters to customers and general duties. Once the working day is over I lock up, put the scooters on charge and shut down all the computers overnight

Do you find your job rewarding?

Yes, I find the job of helping people with Mobility issues and Disability's enjoy access to Exeter very fulfilling.

What does your job mean to you?

Its an enriching experience that allows me to help the disabled and elderly but also help our volunteers get the experience and references they need to make it into the working world.

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Grants received from

Skipton Building Society £1500

David Gibbons Foundation £1500

Ashworth Charitable Trust £1000

Xerox (UK) Trust £500

Sir John and Lady Amory's Charitable Trust £300

£150

Warburton's Bakery Trust £150

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Donations: St David's Players £91

Christmas Card Sales with St Loyes Enterprise. Over the Christmas period we were selling Christmas cards on behalf of St Loyes and earned 50% off the profit.

A gentleman came in to the office before Christmas and donated half his winter heating allowance which was.

Whats on

Lunch Club

Thursday 17th.

Sawyers Arms (Wetherspoons)

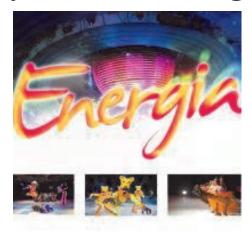


£3 Ring the office or talk to Tony



Saturday 26th February – A trip is organised to Westpoint to watch the performance "Energia" 12:30pm. £29 for your ticket and transport.

Ring the office for more information and to book your tickets as they are limited and going fast!!



For Sale!

All Available to be seen and tried at E.C.T.A.

Manual Wheelchair and cushion £50

Bed Assist smart rail £30

Trolley walker £25

Commode £30

Shower Seat £20

Large Commode £75

Bath Seat £25

Power Assisted Wheelchair £350

Sterling Little Gem 50 2 3wheeled boot scoot \$250

Sterling Melody £400

Electric Wheelchair

Walking Frames £15