

# Alex is Drylaw's citizen of the year

Drylaw resident Alex Dale was tonight presented with the Tam Tierney award for good citizenship. Alex has been an active community member in the Drylaw and Telford area for the last nine years.

Alex first got involved with the Drylaw and Telford Community Council in 2005 when he joined the community campaign to oppose the building of more houses in the Drylaw area.



Alex Dale (far right) was nominated Drylaw citizen of the year. (Picture: Thomas Brown)

After that Alex was hooked on community activism, and probably puts in more hours now as a community activist as he did when he worked full time.

After the successful campaign to oppose development in the Drylaw area Alex was involved in the steering group that developed the Drylaw & Telford community gardens project, he is an active member of the Inverleith Neighbourhood Partnership and sits on a variety of action groups including the city wide Transport group.

Alex is also heavily involved in the Skatepark steering group and he hopes to see the Skatepark built for the young people of North Edinburgh.

After the presentation Alex said:- "I am very honoured and privileged to received the Thomas Tierney award and to join the list previous recipients who have dedicated their time to help the community of Drylaw & Telford. I enjoy the work in do

in my community to make the area a better place, I have enjoyed every minute of it and look forward to many years being involved with my community.”

The Tam Tierney award was set up the Community Council after longstanding community activist died suddenly in 1998. The Award was first awarded in 2000 and has been awarded every year since.