

## Sharon Firth is awarded the “Bob Abson Community Service Award”



On Wednesday evening 13<sup>th</sup> June 2018, the “Bob Abson Community Service Award” was kindly presented, once again, by Mrs Janet Abson, widow of the Normanton Rotarian after which it is named, to Sharon Firth, founder of the Beat Autism charity, a truly worthy recipient.

The award has been presented annually since 2002, to a local person who has been identified as having made a significant contribution to our community. Apart from the trophy, the award comprises a donation to the winning recipient’s charity of choice and a personal monetary gift.

Apart from the trophy presented by Mrs Janet Abson, our president, Derek Searby CBE TD, presented Sharon with a cheque in favour of her chosen charity, which naturally was the Beat Autism charity. Sharon declined the personal monetary gift, requesting that it also be made out in favour of the Beat Autism charity.

Prior to the award being presented, Sharon gave us a brief insight into recent developments involving the charity’s activities for which she was duly applauded. More information concerning the activities of the Beat Autism charity can see acquired by accessing their website from the following link:- [www.beatautism.co.uk](http://www.beatautism.co.uk)

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