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## Our Start-up Hub competition showcases some of the brightest new businesses from across the country

Pay us a visit at the Hub, Stand 41 – 44, in Hall 3, (level 4) to meet some inspiring entrepreneurs and find out more about supporting start-ups in your area.

Meet Business Minister Mark Prisk MP and some of the Start-up Hub competitors at 3pm on Monday 8th October at

The Custard Factory, Gibb Street, Birmingham B9 4AA.

The Start-up Hub is kindly supported by Fujitsu, Inmarsat and the British Venture Capital Association. Follow us on twitter @StartUpHubUK

THE PARTY





# Emma Pidding

Chairman of the National  
Conservative Convention

We meet in Birmingham and this is our chance to refresh, re-energise and most of all to enjoy the company of our Party friends old and new.

**Over the past twelve months our members and activists throughout the country have delivered millions of leaflets and knocked on simply thousands of doors. Their commitment to our Party, makes me as Chairman of the National Convention, incredibly proud.**

It has not been an easy year. The economic climate continues to be very challenging, and tough political decisions have had to be made, However, we, the Voluntary Party soldier on as always and remain the bedrock of our organisation.

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This year Conference will look different. I am most grateful to my colleague, this year's Conference Chairman, Paul Swaddle for all the work that he has put in making this Conference more relevant to members. I do hope that you will enjoy it.

Thank you for all that you do in support of our Party. I hope that that we will have the opportunity to meet during the week.

*Emm Pidding*



*Senior Party volunteers meeting with the Prime Minister earlier this year.*



# EMMA LEADS VOLUNTEERS AT WORK



Delivering leaflets with Yorkshire Conservatives at the Bradford West Parliamentary by election



An Action Day for Boris Johnson in London



At the launch of Northern Ireland Conservatives



Campaigning in the Feltham and Heston Parliamentary by election



With the Party Co-Chairmen at one of their many Meet The Chairman sessions

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONFERENCE 1 MARCH 2013



The Conservative Local Government Conference is a fantastic opportunity for delegates to **engage with one another** and the Party leadership, and to share information about how Conservative councillors are shaping the Party and local government **across Britain** today.

At this year's event, speakers included **Eric Pickles and Baroness Warsi**, with delegates enjoying a packed programme of policy and campaigning sessions.

To find out more about the 2013 Conference, taking place at the Oxford Belfry, or if you are interested in becoming a councillor, come and talk to CCA staff and CCA Board members at our exhibition stand – P20 in the Party Zone – or visit [conservativecouncillors.com](http://conservativecouncillors.com).

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As at August 2012







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Please drop in to meet Faye Watson on the Treasurer's Stand during Conference or contact her on **020 7984 8175** or [faye.watson@conservatives.com](mailto:faye.watson@conservatives.com) after the Conference.



# THE NATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS

The National Excellence Awards were presented on Monday 21st May at Church House, Westminster.

## Congratulations to the winners

### Campaigning Award

Winner: Crewe & Nantwich for "On Your Street"  
Runner Up: Castle Point for AV Campaign  
Finalists: Sherwood, Warwick & Leamington

### Membership Award

Winner: Warwick & Leamington  
Runners-up: Tatton, Sherwood, North Yorkshire

### Outstanding Initiatives

Cllr Claire Wild for the Candidate Development Programme (Shrewsbury & Atcham), Croydon Social Action Team

### Outstanding Individuals

Lloyd Burbidge, Northern Ireland  
Amanda Schonhut, Dewsbury  
Matt Davies, Portsmouth North

### Lifetime Achievement Awards

Mrs Dorrie Bannerman-Jeyes (Stroud)  
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