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Oakland Achievement Acknowledged!

Oakland were formally acknowledged for their contribution to the local community, when they were presented with their Certificate of Achievement award by Christopher Harvey, Head of Policy and Representation, Chamber of Commerce Herefordshire and Worcestershire as part of the Redditch Partnership Local Hero Awards Scheme.

Oakland Director Sallie Attwell said: "Oakland is delighted to have been selected by the Redditch Partnership to receive a Certificate of Achievement award. This is great news for the company and for all our employees."

Nominated by the Chamber of Commerce Herefordshire & Worcestershire, Oakland was recognised for their business contribution to both the local economy and community.

Alex Urka, Redditch Partnership Manager said, "Oakland International is a shining example in providing support to worthwhile causes and protecting the local environment.

"Their energy efficiency savings are remarkable. Their investment will reduce their energy requirement by 1.3 million kilowatt hours over the next 5 years. This is enough to run an average family home for a century. They have invested £52,000 in this project and the savings they are achieving are running at around £1,500 per month.

"By presenting Oakland International with the Redditch Partnership Certificate of Achievement award we hope other businesses are inspired to follow the example".

With a long history of community involvement, Oakland continues to provide financial support to many community groups around the area including the recent sponsorship of Feckenham's U12 football team's new tracksuits for their tour of Spain in October, financial sponsorship of the U13 & U14 Birmingham & Solihull 'Bees' rugby teams and after many years of planning and working with Worcestershire County Council, they are now in the process of rerouting a footpath, which originally ran through Oakland's very busy lorry yard, into a picturesque walk for locals through fields.

Said Sallie: "We are extremely grateful for this award as it not only acknowledges our commitment as a company, but the personal commitment of our staff who make a real difference to the local community. Oakland's support for local projects means that we are very much a part of this community and we strongly believe in putting something back."



Image details front: Christopher Harvey [left], Head of Policy and Representation, Chamber of Commerce Herefordshire and Worcestershire and Alex Urka [right], Redditch Partnership Manager, present Paul Ziolk [centre], Oakland's General Manager with the Redditch Partnership Certificate of Achievement award.