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‘A Celebration’

From 15-21 May 2017 [Deaf Awareness Week](#) will celebrate collaborative work that has made a difference for people who are deaf or have a hearing loss.

Promoted by the UK Council on Deafness, Deaf Awareness Week is an opportunity to raise awareness that 1 in 6 people in the UK are deaf or have a hearing loss.

Members of the UK Council on Deafness and others have united behind a common purpose and work is ongoing to:

- raise awareness;
- improve access to education and employment;
- make sure people have the information they need;
- inform government and the public about deafness and hearing loss;
- support the [All-Party Parliamentary Group on Deafness](#);
- educate people about the importance of preventing hearing loss; and
- improve the quality of services for people who are deaf or have a hearing loss.

Craig Crowley, Chair of the UK Council on Deafness, said: “This year’s Deaf Awareness Week is ‘A Celebration’ of collaboration and working together on a joint campaign for the benefit of people who are deaf or have a hearing loss”.

More information, posters and other materials are available from the [Deaf Awareness Week website](#).

Notes

The [UK Council on Deafness](#) is the umbrella body for voluntary organisations working with deaf people in the UK. Our mission is to assist organisations and the sector as a whole to maximise the positive impact they have for deaf people.

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