



### **Level 6 Professional Diploma in Arboriculture**

ABC Awards and The Royal Forestry Society are pleased to announce that the Professional Diploma in Arboriculture has been accredited onto the National Qualifications Framework at Level 6 as from August 1st 2006.

The forerunners of the modern Professional Diploma started in the 1959 under the guidance of the Royal Forestry Society. Over the years, it has evolved into the premier qualification in arboriculture regarded in the highest esteem by the industry.

ABC Awards was pleased to take over the administration of the Diploma in 2005/06, and has worked closely with the RFS in the redevelopment of the qualification to produce this Level 6 Diploma to be included on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF). ABC Awards will be the Awarding Body for this qualification, working closely with examiners who have many years involvement with the Professional Diploma as it was pre September 2006.

We would like to thank everyone working in the Arboricultural industry who helped in this process by providing support for the submission.

Details of the structure and assessment strategy can be found on the ABC Awards website at [www.abcawards.co.uk](http://www.abcawards.co.uk)