

David receives industry honour

A MAN from Daventry has been named Midlands Business Person of the Year 2009.

David Nicoll is managing director of Rugby-based JTD CerTax Accountants, which he set up in 2006 after moving to the Midlands from London.

He received the award from Lord Digby Jones at a gala ceremony at the Hilton Birmingham Metropole hotel.

Lord Jones, a former director-general of the CBI and trade minister, was also honoured at the ceremony for his lifetime contribution to business in the Midlands.

Mr Nicoll's business has nine members of staff and is part of the CerTax Accounting franchise, which has around 100 franchisees across the UK.

The firm is on course to achieve growth of 60 per cent this year. It offers fixed pricing and unlimited telephone support to its clients and alongside its regular work has developed a strong niche offering in property taxation.

Mr Nicoll, who was born and grew up in Hong Kong where his



■ PRESENTATION: David Nicoll, managing director of Rugby-based JTD CerTax Accounts, receives his award from Lord Jones, a former director-general of the CBI and trade minister. Photographer: David Morpew.

father served in the Royal Hong Kong Police, began his career in accountancy, then switched into commerce and marketing for a number of years.

He said: "Naturally, I am

delighted to have won this award. It is a great achievement and a tribute to the team behind me at JTD CerTax and shows just what can be done by taking an innovative approach to this business."