



# Constructing Excellence Awards Yorkshire & Humber 2014

## Guidelines & Entry Criteria

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2014  
Sheffield City Hall  
Barker's Pool  
Sheffield  
S1 2JA

6.30pm – 00.30am

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## Important information on how to enter -

### Qualifying

The industry is defined as all who commission, produce, develop, plan, design, build, alter or maintain the built environment.

The company / organisation or project(s) must demonstrate improvements in line with Constructing Excellence principles and the Rethinking Construction agenda.

- An application can be made for a project, process, a product or a service (a separate application form **MUST** be completed for each category)
- Demonstrating excellence in practice; where evidence is requested there should be a clear “audit” trail available for qualitative and quantitative data
- Where a project or project leader is the subject the project should have been based in Yorkshire & Humber and you must have the approval of the owner of the building/project
- Where an individual, process, product or service is the subject, the nominating organisation/divisional office/individual should be based in Yorkshire & Humber
- All nominations and submissions should relate primarily to work carried out between ***January 2013 and December 2013.***

### How to enter - Entry Guidelines

- All submissions must be made by **17.00 on Friday 23<sup>th</sup> May 2014.**
- All entries should be submitted electronically, via Email, please label any folders with both the category name and submitting organisation.
- Please include with your submissions logos (JPEG format) of **ALL** organisations involved in the project and a selection of photos that we may use should you be short listed.
- Receipt of entries will not be acknowledged unless otherwise requested.
- The organisers have the right to reject any entry if, in their opinion, it fails to comply with the rules
- Entries should be sent via email to – **Carole Saul - [yhceclub@gmail.com](mailto:yhceclub@gmail.com)**

### Specific Entry Consideration

- Clients must be made aware in advance of any entries that refer to them and the judges may require evidence of client endorsement.
- Membership of Constructing Excellence or a Constructing Excellence Club is not a requirement of entry.
- The organisers reserve the right to feature / display submitted material in any editorial or promotional work related to the award scheme.
- A précis of shortlisted entries will feature on the CEYH website and elsewhere. Shortlisted entrants will be expected to participate in Constructing Excellence related events or programme of seminars and case history presentations.
- No materials will be returned.
- Every project entered will be considered for Demonstration Project status.

### Judging

- The panel of judges will consider each submission against the category criteria.
- Winners will be announced at the Yorkshire & Humber Constructing Excellence Awards on **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2014**.
- All awards are made at the discretion of the judges and Constructing Excellence in Yorkshire and Humber.
- The right is reserved not to make awards in a particular category.
- The judges reserve the right to refuse entries without giving reasons.
- The judges have authority to move entries into more applicable categories. Their decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into following the Awards.
- Information supplied by the judges, or discussed between the judges and entrants will be treated in complete confidence, and confidentiality on the part of the entrants if requested.

***Good Luck!***

## Integration and Collaboration Award



Judges will be looking for evidence of early involvement, selection by value, common processes and tools across organisations, long term relationships, modern commercial arrangements and fair payment practices and delivery to client defined performance measures as well as evidence of improvements as a result. Obvious benefits will include a less adversarial approach, but judges will require evidence of how workforce development has improved as a result of collaboration, in addition to the products or services and customer satisfaction. Successful entries will have succeeded in integrating their teams to such a level that they appear as a single entity to the customer. Joint submissions are strongly encouraged.

## SME Award



This award specifically recognises the challenges and outstanding achievements of 'Small to Medium Enterprises', particularly those who have made strides in improving their company through implementing best practice. There are two ways to enter - (1) simply put yourself forward or, (2) if you're a bigger organisation or are a client or supplier - we want you nominate a great SME you have worked with. Judges will be looking for companies that intentionally focus on people development, customer satisfaction, industry best practice, performance management, and/or new ways of collaborative working. Entrants and nominees will be required to demonstrate a commitment to sustainability and health and safety; describing the steps that have been taken to improve performance through the 4 Cs of co-operation, communication, competence and commitment. Entry Form (Section 1) and Nomination Form should be submitted together.

## Project of the Year Award



Judges are looking for an outstanding project that best demonstrates the highest levels of technical achievement, innovation, application of best practice, team working throughout the supply chain, delivered to time, budget and quality with the highest health & safety standards, lowest environmental impact and most importantly to the customer's delight. This winner may be drawn from winners of the earlier categories or may be a project or organisation that has displayed excellence across a number of categories. The winner is just as likely to be an outstanding local project as it is a high profile landmark - but the winner will be a project that all parties involved will be proud to have been part of.

## The Legacy Award – Sustainability Award



The judges will be looking for a project or organisation where the principles of sustainability have been fully embedded, particularly those that demonstrate creative and/or innovative thinking and leadership. The winner will be an exemplar where sustainability is central; providing hard evidence that effective management of environment, social and economic aspects has achieved a significant and tangible improvement in performance. The judges will give preference to entrants that demonstrate that a responsible long term and collaborative approach has been taken to add value and achieve a range of net benefits for themselves and others.

## Innovation Award



Judges will be looking for the best organisation or project that took the most innovative approach to overcome a specific challenge on site, identify emerging market opportunities, or develop a new/improved product or service - perhaps innovative use of ICT solutions, environmental technologies, process innovation, or offsite or modular construction. Judges will particularly look for evidence of how the innovation can be used/applied elsewhere in the organisation or on other projects. Entries should show how they defined the challenge, identified possible solutions, and secured agreement from key stakeholders. Winners will have focused on the occupier/user's needs, demonstrated improvements compared to previous or third party performance and/or shown how the approach has led to winning new work.

## Client of the Year



Judges are looking for a construction client that has shown clear consistent leadership and commitment to core Constructing Excellence principles on one or preferably several projects. These principles include collaborative working, integration, prompt payment, fair terms, procurement on value, clear and considered project briefs, active involvement to enable and reward excellence, etc. Submissions from third parties are encouraged but must include endorsement from the client themselves. Entry Form (Section 1) and Nomination Form should be submitted together.

## Leadership & People Development Award



The winner in this category will best define and demonstrate improvements resulting from targeted leadership development and training across the workforce and perhaps local community. Whether driven by strategic leadership of an enlightened client or a supplier, entries should show and win particular respect from the workforce and community through workforce development, skills and training, equality and diversity initiatives, and improvements to health and safety and the working environment.

## Heritage Project of the Year



This award recognises the achievement of high standards in the repair, re-use and revitalisation of the region's historic buildings, sites and places. Entries should demonstrate evidence of research and investigation, consideration of alternative options, choice of appropriate procurement route, application of well-considered and sympathetic technical solutions (whether traditional or innovative), delivery of quality and enduring outcomes, and a commitment to the development of heritage skills and training opportunities.

## Value Award



Demonstrating value, whether it's for clients, shareholder, end users, or the taxpaying public, has never been more important for construction projects and businesses.

The judges will be looking for either a project on which long-term value has been best achieved, or an organisation that has achieved value on a number of projects over a period of time. Judges will consider how completed projects have been designed and constructed to achieve maximum benefit for owners and end users and helped them accomplish their goals. Project teams and organisations should demonstrate how achieving the optimum outcome for owners and end users was a key driver throughout the design and construction process and provide any available data on what has been achieved.

## Health & Safety Award



The judges will be looking for the project or organisation where health and safety has been driven forward to go beyond what is required within the duties as stated in CDM2007. In order to be successful in this award the judges will be looking for evidence that best practice has been utilised in producing a scheme where build ability, future maintenance and final demolition have been fully considered and where both health and safety have been key drivers.

## Young Achiever – G4C



This award looks to recognise a young achiever in our industry. The judges are looking for the person that has best demonstrated a positive impact against the current G4C (Generation for Change) priority areas of people, sustainability and innovation. The award is open to a young person with less than ten years of experience in the construction and built environment sector. When nominating someone consider the impact they have had on you, your organisation and their role in key projects, but also consider that person's potential. Nominations can be made from individual companies, colleges, universities, institutes and institutions. Entry Form (Section 1) and Nomination Form should be submitted together.

## The Achiever of the Year



This award will recognise outstanding performance or influence by an individual who has been inspirational in the opinion of the sector peer group. The winner will show exemplary actions that have changed the behaviour and performance of others and delivered disproportionate benefits for, and left a legacy in, the outputs of the built environment sector. The award winner will naturally show all the hallmarks championed by Constructing Excellence such as a belief in best practice and a wholehearted commitment to the Rethinking Construction principles. The key is that this needs to be visible i.e. adopted and adapted to make a real difference within the sphere of the applicant's own operation, influence and community. We are looking for leaders, opinion formers and champions of change. This award is open to individuals of any age, discipline or sector. Submissions from third parties are encouraged. Entry Form (Section 1) and Nomination Form should be submitted together.

## **Best of the Best**



The Judging panel will select, from all the entries, the entry that they consider to be the Best of The Best in demonstrating excellence in construction in the Yorkshire and Humber region.