

Institute of Clerks of Works and Construction Inspectorate of Great Britain Incorporated

ICWCI Press Release

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Newcastle Upon Tyne hosted 'The Institute of Clerks of Works and Construction Inspectorate's' prestigious Annual Conference, AGM and Building on Quality Awards

The Institute of Clerks of Works and Construction Inspectorate (ICWCI) held its annual event at the Copthorne Hotel, Quayside, Newcastle Upon Tyne, from Friday 25th – Sunday 28th April 2013.

ICWCI has for many years conducted awards that recognise the skills and abilities of Clerks of Works, Construction Inspectors (or those of similar calling) within the construction process. Working primarily for the client, it is their knowledge and diligence that ensure, through rigorous and detailed inspection and reporting, that value for money in terms of both materials and workmanship is achieved, and this year the Institute combined the Awards with its Annual Conference and AGM, all hosted by members from the North East Chapter. The event was opened on Friday 26th April by the Sheriff and Deputy Lord Mayor of Newcastle; Councillor Margaret Wood.

ICWCI hold awards not only to recognise those who are involved on projects of high quality workmanship, but also to promote the need for the role of the Clerk of Works and its relevance to the modern construction industry.

Tony Hickton FICWCI, newly installed ICWCI President, gave an encouraging address at the Awards and Presidents Dinner; followed by Guest Presenter/Speaker, Stephen Hodder MBE, President Elect of the RIBA.

The Awards were made in three categories; Highly Commended, The Peter Wilson Memorial Trophy and Overall Winner Award. Frank Miller MICWCI of Blandford Forum, Dorset picked up the prestigious 'Overall Winner Award' for his involvement with the Twin Sails Bridge, located in Poole, Dorset.

With 17 short-listed entries from the UK and Ireland, including a project by local North East Chapter Chairman Stephen Telford MICWCI, a team of senior members of the ICWCI visited and judged the projects. Chairman of the judges, Meredith Whilden FICWCI said; "The quality of projects this year has been higher than ever before, there were some very strong contenders which made choosing the winners even more difficult. It took a long time of deliberations to select our winners."

The other winners were John Longbottom FICWCI from Maidstone, Kent, who was Highly Commended for his involvement with the impressive Turner Contemporary Gallery located in Margate, and Gilly Carr FICWCI from Castel, in Guernsey who was Highly Commended for his work with the Les Beaucamps High School.

Hans Maak MICWCI from Pool of Muckhart, Clackmannanshire, was Highly Commended for his involvement with Dunfermline High School located in Fife, with more Scottish success in the form of Anthony Docherty MICWCI from Glasgow, who was also Highly Commended for his involvement with 'Anderston' Phase 1 housing scheme, located in Glasgow.

Anthony Hunter FICWCI from Newcastle Upon Tyne, was Highly Commended for his tireless work with the Institute of Transplantation, Freeman Hospital while Colin Pearson FICWCI from Thetford, Norfolk, was Highly Commended for his commitment to his work with the University of Cambridge School of Humanities.

Anthony Smith FICWCI of Mid Glamorgan was the winner of the Peter Wilson Memorial Award for his involvement with Taff Bargoed Park and Lakes in Merthyr Tydfil.

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Notes for Editors:

The event was sponsored by:

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