



## RTPI Yorkshire Awards for Planning Excellence 2018 Guidance and Entry Criteria

### What are the RTPI Awards?

The RTPI Yorkshire Award for Planning Excellence highlights exceptional examples of planning in the region. It celebrates the power of planning in creating prosperous places and vibrant communities. The Awards aim to:

- Demonstrate the positive and critical role planning and planners play in place-making
- Promote the art and science of planning for the benefit of the public
- Demonstrate the positive impact planning has on our quality of life
- Celebrate professional expertise
- Disseminate new models of working and examples of best practice

### Who can enter?

- Planning consultancies
- Local planning authorities, community groups
- Architects and landscape architects
- Surveyors, engineers
- Developers and investors

The RTPI welcomes collaborative submissions involving different professions. It is not necessary to be an RTPI member to enter.

### What is required?

Once you have read the guidance and entry criteria, submissions should include:

1. Entry Summary Form
2. Submission Document (Up to a maximum of 4A4 size pages)
3. Up to 5 individual jpg images (min 300dpi, captioned and credited)

### Cost

Entry to the regional Awards for Planning Excellence is FREE

### Eligibility

Submissions must be located within the following areas; North Yorkshire, South Yorkshire, East Yorkshire, West Yorkshire, City of Kingston upon Hull, North Lincolnshire, North East Lincolnshire.

All types of planning activity are eligible, including plans, processes, projects and completed schemes. Work completed or virtually completed during the two years prior to the 1st June 2018 is eligible for entry but particular care should be taken not to enter projects prematurely before they

can be assessed satisfactorily. Submissions should state at what stage in the planning process the project has reached, for example dates on which the planning application was submitted/approved, dates of consultation on/adoption of a Plan.

## Judging Process

Decisions on regional awards and commendations will be made by a panel of invited independent judges. The panel will have complete discretion to make such awards and commendations as they think fit.

## Categories

Submissions to the Yorkshire Planning Excellence 2018 are invited relating to the following Categories.

- a) Planning Award for Excellence

## Main Award Criteria

You will need to critically evaluate the work carried out and must demonstrate the strengths of your project, the role planning has played and highlight any difficulties and constraints you have overcome.

Your entry must clearly show how it meets the relevant judging criteria. It is crucial you demonstrate throughout the **submission** the planning value the project has.

<p><b><u>Planning content and skills</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• High quality of professional planning work in devising solutions to key issues, barriers and problems</li><li>• The clear impact that planners have made to the success of the project</li><li>• Evidence of quality in design and place making</li><li>• Strong or effective leadership from a planner or planners</li></ul>
<p><b><u>Sustainable Development</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Positive short, medium and long term public benefits arising from the project</li><li>• A balance of economic, social and environmental objectives</li><li>• Please list any of the UN's Sustainable Development goals the project supports</li></ul>
<p><b><u>Community engagement</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Positive and constructive engagement with local residents and businesses in the design and delivery of the project</li><li>• Consideration of, discussion on and communication with local residents and businesses about their views</li></ul>
<p><b><u>Inclusive Planning</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The needs of all the potential users of a development or place have been taken into account to ensure everyone is able to participate equally, confidentially and independently in everyday activities</li><li>• Approaches to promote equality and diversity issues</li></ul>
<p><b><u>Outcomes</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Benefits of the project for the local community</li><li>• Positive impacts the project has had for the economy</li></ul>

- Positive impacts the project has had on the environment

#### Good practice

- Creative and innovative techniques and processes that have been taken
- The transferability of the approaches taken in the project
- The lessons learnt from delivering the project

#### Social benefit

- How this project has helped provide a better quality of life for disadvantaged communities
- Could include anti-poverty initiatives, approaches that ensure community benefits arise from the project, the provision of facilities, job creation schemes

## RTPI National Awards 2019

The RTPI Yorkshire Awards 2018 overall Winner will, unless the entrant does not wish it, be automatically shortlisted in an appropriate category in the RTPI National Awards 2019. The entrant will have the opportunity to enhance the submission document to ensure its comparability with the direct national submission documents.

The Award Presentation Ceremony, hosted by RTPI Yorkshire will take place on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September at Sheffield Town Hall.

All recipients of Awards and Commendations will be presented with an appropriate certificate.

The Overall Winner also receives a trophy to be retained for a year.

The Category Winners are invited to give a short presentation on their project.

## Submitting your entry

Completed entries need to be submitted to Yorkshire by the closing date of **5.00pm on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2018**. Large files can be sent by [www.wetransfer](http://www.wetransfer) or similar.

Please make sure your submission includes:

- The completed Entry Form
- The Submission Document of not more than 4 A4 pages
- Up to 5 individual jpg images (min. 300dpi, captioned and credited)

RTPI Yorkshire will acknowledge receipt of all documents.

## Any questions?

If you wish to discuss a possible entry or require further details of the eligibility criteria for the categories please contact:

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## Terms and Conditions

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