

CECA NW Annual Awards 2025

Submission Guidelines

Entry into the CECA NW Annual Awards is open to all CECA NW members and is free of charge.

Awards will be presented in the following categories:

- Project of the Year up to £1 million
- Project of the Year £1 million - £5 million
- Project of the Year over £5 million
- Environmental Excellence
- Social Value
- Collaborative Partnership
- Young Professional of the Year
- Lifetime Achievement

Entries must be submitted on the CECA NW template for the relevant category although the same submission can be made in multiple categories should it meet the brief.

Submissions are strictly limited to 1,000 words and anything over this word count will be disregarded. Supplementary material (i.e. plans or illustrations) may be provided and will be viewed at the judges' discretion.

All submissions must include at least one high resolution photograph.

Entries which do not meet the criteria, or which are not submitted in this format, will not be considered.

Submissions should be made by email to alison.shea@ceca.co.uk by **FRIDAY 5 SEPTEMBER**. Any files over 10mb should be sent by *WeTransfer* or *MailBigFile*.

Winners of the awards will be announced at the CECA NW Awards Dinner at The Midland Hotel, Manchester on Thursday 9 October.

All material submitted will be treated as available for publication in Awards Dinner social media and on the CECA NW website unless copyright protected.

Entries for the Project of the Year award (in all three categories) can be from anywhere in the UK, as long as they have been undertaken by CECA NW members. All projects must have been wholly or largely completed during 2024-25.

If you have any queries about the submission process or criteria, please contact Alison by email at alison.shea@ceca.co.uk.

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PROJECT OF THE YEAR

There are three categories for this award: up to £1million, £1million - £5million, over £5million. All entries for project of the year (in all three categories) should be accompanied by high resolution images, video or time lapse photography - any files over 10mb should be sent by *WeTransfer* or *MailBigFile*.

The judging criteria will be:

- benefits to the community and the environment of the project
- detail of delivery including sustainable procurement, planning & management, health & safety, supply chain best practice
- consultation with stakeholders
- quality of construction
- innovation
- challenges overcome
- how best value was achieved
- how client satisfaction was monitored and assured.

ENVIRONMENTAL EXCELLENCE

Entries in this category can include projects, products or policy initiatives which demonstrate a meaningful contribution to sustainability.

The judging criteria will be:

- demonstrable environmental benefits
- innovation
- how objectives were met
- sustainable procurement (where applicable)
- implementation
- supply chain best practice (where applicable)
- best value and cost benefit.

COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIP

This award celebrates collaboration between CECA members and their clients and/or supply chain partners.

The judging criteria will be:

- details of planning and application
- effective communication
- innovation and evaluation
- demonstrating best practice
- client satisfaction and benefit.

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SOCIAL VALUE

This award recognises the positive impact CECA members have on the communities in which they live and work.

The judging criteria will be:

- innovation
- effective implementation
- how objectives were met
- stakeholder liaison
- demonstrable positive impact
- long-term benefits of the activity/initiative.

YOUNG PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR

This award recognises a young professional who has shown great potential, is making an exceptional contribution to, and having a positive impact on, the construction industry. Although there is no age limit for this award, the judges are looking for someone with a maximum of 10 years in the industry.

The judging criteria will be:

- commitment to personal development and progression
- outstanding contribution to their workplace
- reference to any attributes they possess that point to future success.

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Nominations are invited for a person who has made a sustained positive contribution to the construction industry over a considerable period of time at any level, not necessarily senior management. In addition to championing the industry as an aspirational career choice, nominations may include community or broader activities.

The principal criteria will be:

- commitment to inspiring the next generation
- personal development and growth
- positive impact on the construction industry.