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Awards for Excellence in recycling and waste management

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letsrecycle.com is once again delighted to invite entries for the Awards for Excellence in Recycling and Waste Management 2007. The Awards, now in their fourth year, are designed to showcase innovation, dedication and success in recycling and sustainable waste management

Last year's Awards attracted a record number of entries with submissions across the local authority, public, commercial and industrial sectors. This year, we have nine categories to choose from, including a new addition, 'Best Community Recycling Initiative'.

Awards Ceremony 2007

This year, as in previous years, the 2007 Ceremony & Luncheon will be held at the prestigious Savoy Hotel on the Strand in London. All finalists are invited to attend the luncheon which takes place on 17 October 2007.

Government ministers and their counterparts have been guests at the Awards in recent years. If you would like to reserve a seat or take a table, and for further information about the event, please call: 020 7633 4500 or email vicki.m@letsrecycle.com



How to enter

The entry criteria for the nine 2007 Awards for Excellence are shown opposite by category. You will also need to take the following points into consideration when submitting your entry:

- You may enter more than one category.
- You will need to submit a 500 word summary of how the entrant(s) have achieved their success for each entry.
- Entries should be mainly based on the period April 2006 to March 2007. However, relevant material can be submitted for work prior to April 2006 and for months since March this year to show how successes developed are continuing.
- A range of supporting information may also be supplied including data, testimonials, photographs and other relevant materials

Deadline for entries: **Tuesday 4 September 2007**

Categories

High Street recycling champion

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The High Street recycling champion award will recognise a successful project or initiative which has delivered greater recycling and/or improved sustainability in waste management within the retail sector. This could have been achieved by a single shop, a larger retail outlet, a chain of stores or an out-of-town retail site. Applications are welcome from retailers who have worked together on joint schemes. The award could be for work either on a single waste stream or for a broader approach involving a number of materials. It is intended that this award is primarily involved with retailer waste although work with consumers is eligible. Entrants should demonstrate their achievements through the submission of data and accompanying details of the approach taken, involvement of staff and successful outputs.

Commercial recycling champion

Sponsored by Valpak

This award will recognise the dedication of an individual or team within the commercial and industrial sector, in promoting recycling and sustainable waste management within their company or business division. The individual will have achieved high levels of success and be able to demonstrate with data, how proportionately the company has achieved recycling growth. The meeting and setting of targets within the organisation will form part of the details for this category. Entries are welcome from individuals or from companies or managers for an employee.

Waste management initiative in the commercial and public sector

Sponsored by Shanks

Recycling in both the commercial and industrial sector and the public sector is seeing rapid development. Entrants will need to demonstrate how through a specific initiative they have made significant steps forward in recycling within their operations. Entrants can show how this has helped company performance or in the public sector contributed to greater stability. For larger firms, entries can be made for recycling achievements within divisions or specific operating sites. Entries should include details of the materials or product involved and explain how the company or organisation has actively worked to develop recycling. Please note, this category is not open to local authorities.

Innovation in design of a waste management facility

Sponsored by ESTET

With a modern approach to waste management essential as the UK looks to meet recycling and landfill diversion targets, the way facilities are designed and operated is more important than ever. Crucial to this are the aesthetics and design of a plant in helping to gain acceptance and blending with the local environment. Additionally, the efficient and modern use of equipment and the organisation of how the facility operates could be factors relevant to this category. Entrants are likely to have used technology, equipment and/or building design to enhance the way waste management work is carried out and to minimise the impact on the environment.

Collection crew of the year

Sponsored by SITA UK

This award will recognise the dedication and high-level of service provided by a collection crew involved in either waste collection, recycling or both. The judges will be looking for a commitment to providing a high level of service which can be measured in terms of consistency, the quality of provision, safety records and additional factors such as where service goes beyond the normal level. The entry may include testimonials and collection data.

The best community recycling initiative

This award will recognise the achievements of a social enterprise/community recycling project to delivering improved recycling and waste management services and can include projects such as re-use, recycling, composting, education, minimisation and associated activities. The entry can involve a partnership with a local authority or the private sector but the social enterprise/community sector activity must represent at least 25% of the activity. The judges will be looking for the commitment shown by the social enterprise or community group and at the achievements made. Submissions are likely to include testimonials, data, reports and other information.

CA site of the year

Sponsored by Transform, the Biffa WEEE compliance scheme

The civic amenity (CA) site of the year will have successful and effective day-to-day operations that can be measured and seen. The entry is open to operators of all types of CA sites which can be described in many ways, including as household waste recycling centres. Entrants will need to show how the sites have been used to increase recycling and composting and provide an enhanced service to users. Other factors could include planning, design, operational and cost aspects of the site. The sites are likely to be well-run and have specific features such as high levels of recycling, improved waste management and other actions such as re-use, waste education, green waste composting and high standards of health and safety.

The best local authority recycling initiative

Sponsored by Abitibi-Consolidated Recycling Europe

The award is targeted at an initiative in the municipal waste stream and will recognise a project developed and delivered by a local authority which indirectly or directly helps to promote one or more of greater recycling, composting and sustainability. A broad range of work is eligible for this category - from communication campaigns, work on charging through to collection and infrastructure projects. This can be focused on specific material streams, including green waste, or on a multi-material basis. The project should have been largely developed by local authority officers and will have made a noticeable and measurable difference to recycling in either the whole local authority area or for a substantial part of it.

Local authority recycling champion

The local authority recycling champion award will be presented to the council officer or councillor from a local authority which has achieved a very high level of success in driving up household waste recycling rates. The winners will be true champions of recycling in their local authority area and will have achieved high levels of recycling which have become noticeably evident during the awards period. Judges will also be keen to see the extent of support across the local authority for recycling initiatives and that there is evidence that the success is continuing in 2007.

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Judging panel

A panel of judges with a broad range of experience in the recycling and waste sector has been chosen to ensure there is a variety of knowledge available for assessing entries. Several of the judges participated in last year's judging process and letsrecycle.com is delighted that Chris Davey has agreed to chair the judging panel this year.

Chair: Chris Davey
Manager, local authority relations
Waste and Resources Action Programme

Paul Borrett
Waste resource manager
Norfolk county council

Steve Eminton
Editor
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Barbara Herridge
Policy and development manager
North London Waste Authority

Kamila Horak
Senior development manager
DHL Exel Supply Chain

Mark Shelton
Waste policy manager
Cambridgeshire county council

David Symmers
Chief executive
Independent Waste Paper Processors Association

Matthew Thomson
Chief executive
London Community Recycling Network

Mike Walker
Policy director
Environmental Services Association

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Please complete this form and submit with your entry.

Name of individual/team entry:

Name of person nominating if different from above:

Organisation: Address:

Contact tel: Email:

I have attached a summary of my application with supporting information

I accept the criteria and rules outlined in the entry form.

Categories entered:

1. 2.

3. 4.

Signed: Print name:

Deadline for entries: Tuesday 4 September 2007. Please send entries to: letsrecycle.com, Capital Tower, 91 Waterloo Road, London SE1 8RT. Telephone: 020 7633 4500. email: vicki.m@letsrecycle.com