

Awards

SME Award for Technical Excellence 2023

The award for SME technical excellence is an opportunity for Small Medium Enterprises to demonstrate their expertise and technical standing in the field of Highways and transportation. The topic and submissions is broad but the submission should include information about how they have achieved technical excellence, whether in health and safety, design, inclusivity, construction. We recognise that SMEs may not always be recognised for their valuable contribution to our industry. SMEs should be 50 employees or less.

Entries must clearly explain how the submission meets the criteria specified.

a) Description: How does this entry meet the award description?

(Max 250 Words) (10 Points)

A summary explaining why this project/product/strategy/initiative meets the description for this award.

b) Solution: Why and how was this solution identified?

(Max 300 Words) (20 Points)

Please explain why and how this solution was identified.

The judges will reward applications that can demonstrate:

- A clear definition of the outcome you were trying to achieve and why
- A logical explanation of why this option was chosen
- Evidence that you ensured that all the relevant stakeholders have bought into this solution

c) Delivery: How has this work been delivered?

(Max 250 Words) (15 Points)

Please describe the planning, design and delivery process you have used to execute this work. The judges are particularly interested in how challenges and opportunities have been identified and addressed.

d) Results: What have been the results?

(Max 250 Words) (15 Points)

Please describe the results of your work.

The judges will reward applications that can demonstrate:

- If and how you have delivered the outcome you were trying to achieve
- How you have performed against time, cost, quality, carbon emission, social value, and any other metrics relevant that were set for this work

e) Alignment: to CIHT Strategy

(Max 200 Words) (10 Points)

Judges will award additional marks to applications that can demonstrate a contribution to CIHT's strategic objectives:

- Carbon Action: Measurable reductions or elimination of greenhouse gas emissions
- Equality, Diversity & Inclusion: Clear demonstration of well-considered EDI practices in either the project or organisation
- Professionalism: Clear contribution to increasing professionalism in the transport sector

How to enter

To enter this award please complete an [Entry Form](#) and provide submission, project photographs and any supporting documents on your entered project and return it to regions@ciht.org.uk.

Please ensure that you have read the [Important Submission Information](#) before submitting your entry. **The deadline for entries is 1700hrs on Friday 22nd September 2023.** Shortlisted entries will be notified in October. Winners will be announced at the CIHT Cymru Wales Awards Dinner at the Kinmel Hotel in Abergele on the evening of Friday 24 November 2023 and details published through a variety of media platforms.