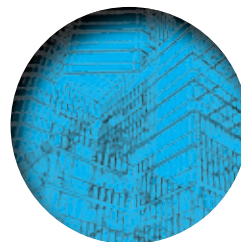
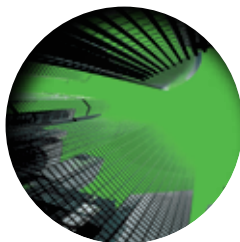
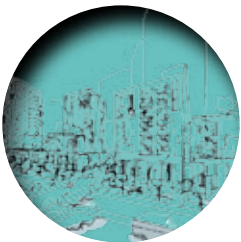


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# FOREWORD

**As Chairman of ProCon, and on behalf of the ProCon Board, I welcome you all to the 16th annual ProCon Awards.**

The range of the projects selected as our finalists this evening reflects the diversity of our industry and location – exciting times! The ambition, determination and sheer creativity demonstrated by the developers, architects, contractors, engineers and everyone else involved in them is to be applauded. As always, the competition for places was intense and many excellent entries unfortunately missed the cut. So even if your project is not showcased tonight please accept our thanks for entering and use this evening to celebrate jobs well done. Whether you take home a trophy or not, you can and should be incredibly proud of your achievements.

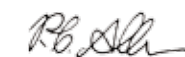
With the aim of ensuring a healthy future both for ProCon and the property and construction industry locally, ProCon’s Emerging Talent group has grown throughout the year and many of its members are here tonight. This is an excellent way of encouraging people starting out in their careers to access help with career progression, mentoring and the forging of contacts. We recommend it to you and your more junior staff members to get involved.

We warmly welcome all those with a hand in the finalist projects. Attractive homes for families, students, those needing extra care and even chimpanzees made the judges’ task in residential categories particularly tough this year, while inspirational spaces for communities, for children, for businesses and for injured athletes also star in the ProCon Awards spotlight tonight. Clearly demonstrated is professional excellence delivered in the projects selected as finalists in the regeneration and infrastructure categories and you will also see some stunning architectural images: all testaments to their creators’ vision, verve and commitment to excellence. The overall quality of the entries received made our judges’ job very difficult and we thank them sincerely for their expertise and commitment in scrutinising and visiting the nominated buildings.

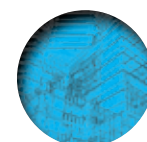
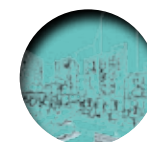
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Finally, in this place we pay tribute and mourn the recent tragic death of Leicester City Football Club’s Chairman and owner Vichai Srivaddhanaprabha – a man who certainly knew about building teams and gave this city so much of which to be proud.

Please enjoy another memorable ProCon Awards ceremony, with thanks to the many people whose time and energy make this possible. On behalf of ProCon Leicestershire, we wish all ProCon members and your guests a very enjoyable evening.



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6.45pm	Wine reception Exhibition
7.30pm	Call through for dinner
8.00pm	Introduction Pam Allardice
8.15pm	Dinner
10.15pm	Guest speaker and charity raffle Miles Jupp
10.35pm	Awards ceremony
10.55pm	Closing remarks
11.00pm	Casino
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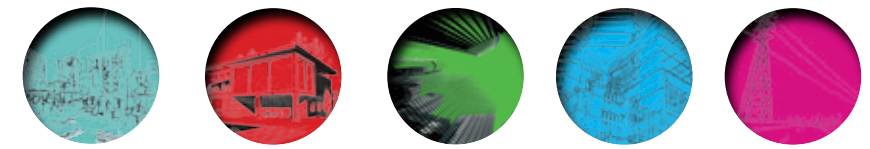
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# SPEAKER & HOST

## HAL CRUTTENDEN



Hal Cruttenden is one of the top stand-up comedians working in the UK today, as well as being a highly accomplished writer and actor.

He has made several appearances on Live at the Apollo, Have I Got News For You and The Royal Variety Performance as well as his regular appearances on shows such as Mock the Week, The Great British Bake Off: An Extra Slice and The Apprentice: You're Fired. On the radio, the second series of his sitcom, Hal was broadcast on BBC Radio 4 and he has released two comedy DVDs, Tough Luvvie and Straight Outta Cruttenden. He has toured the country extensively and, in the last two years, has also taken shows to the Melbourne Comedy Festival and the New Zealand Comedy Festival.

His other TV appearances include The John Bishop Show, The Channel Four Comedy Gala, The One Show, Would I Lie To You, Kevin Bridges: Live at the Referendum, Sunday Night at the Palladium, Pointless Celebrities, Michael McIntyre's Comedy Roadshow, Celebrity Mastermind, Let's Dance For Comic Relief, The National Lottery Draw,

Comedy Rocks, The Nightly Show, John Bishop's Only Joking, The Rob Brydon Show, Celebrity Squares, The Wright Stuff, The Omid Djalili Show, The 11 O'Clock Show, A Right Royal Quiz, It's Not Me It's You, The Melbourne Comedy Festival Gala, Comedy Central at the Comedy Store, Just For Laughs Gala, Funny as Hell, George Stroumboulopoulos Tonight, The World Stands Up.

Hal has completed four nationwide tours in the last few years: Straight Outta Cruttenden, Tough Luvvie, The Tiny Rage Tour and Lively. He is also a three time Chortle Award nominee and was nominated for the Perrier Newcomer Award back in 2002.

As well as writing and acting in his sitcom, Hal other radio appearances include being a team captain on Britain versus the World and spots on Loose Ends, Act Your Age, Chat Show Roulette and Four at the Store.

Having originally trained at the Central School of Speech and Drama, Hal's acting career includes roles on TV and film in Shackleton, Eastenders, Kavanagh QC, Out of the Blue, Touching Evil and Bramwell. He also appeared in the movie Mrs Dalloway. Theatre work includes Making News at the Edinburgh Festival and Orwell: A Celebration at Trafalgar Studios, London and the Edinburgh Festival.

As well as his performances at Melbourne and the New Zealand Comedy Festival, Hal has appeared at Montreal's Just For Laughs Festival three times and travelled all across Canada on their Just For Laughs Comedy tours. He has performed on two Just For Laughs Galas hosted by Joan Rivers and Howie Mandel. Other international appearances include Kilkenny Cat Laughs Festival in Ireland and tours to India, Bermuda, the Netherlands, Switzerland, Belgium, Germany, Denmark, Norway, UAE, Qatar, Kuwait, Bahrain, Indonesia, China, Hong Kong and Singapore. For the British Armed Forces he has played gigs in the Falkland Islands, Cyprus and Germany.



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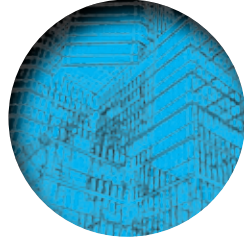
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The scheme is judged in terms of its impact in the following criteria:

- Creative approach to property development including the issues and challenges overcome
- Design excellence
- Construction quality and materials used
- Innovation used in the development/scheme
- Visual impact, internally and externally
- Sympathetic environmental impact and sustainable aspects
- Integration into the surrounding area
- Budgetary considerations

Residential for the purpose of these Awards is classed as any scheme which is used for living purposes e.g. single dwelling, care home, housing development, apartments, student accommodation. Properties can be new build, conversion or refurbishment.

Small Residential means five units or less.



**The Oaks, Rothley**  
submitted by HSSP Architects



An existing 1970/1980s style house was remodelled with new extensions to form a Tudor style home in Charnwood Forest. Oak framing features extensively. The oak is immediately visible outside and throughout the property. The wood has been distressed by hand to make it appear aged. Each of the hundreds of oak peg faces has been hand tooled to an off-centre finish.

The details give the house not only the look but a real feel of a Tudor home, including in some parts the low levels of interior natural light typical of the period.

The existing house has been hidden when incorporated into the new design, with every external and internal face given period features. Swithland slate has been used for an internal feature wall. The roof has been given a mottled red and blue slate finish.

Traditional craft techniques have been used outside on herringbone brickwork panels and lime render. Quirky pieces and detailing add elements of fun to the traditional styling of the property and turn it into a family home. The flooring is bespoke to each room. A reconfiguration of the staircase made it more dramatic and perfect for the property.

**Contract value:** Undisclosed  
**Completion date:** December 2017  
**Main parties involved:**  
Client: Mark Horsnall  
Contractor: Solus Homes  
Architect: HSSP Architects  
Engineer: Diamond Wood and Shaw  
Oak frame: Oakwrights



**The Shah House, Stoughton**  
submitted by Corporate Architecture



A vacant large 1960s bungalow on a leafy lane was demolished so a new family country home could be built in a semi-rural setting in Stoughton.

The brief was to create an impressive entrance hall with a prominent staircase as the hub of the new home, with a large living and kitchen area and extensive glazed external wall.

The ground floor plan also has a boot room to separate the garage from the main house.

The first floor has two ensuite master bedrooms with a dressing area, both enjoying views to the south west. Two further large bedrooms are reached by a galleried landing.

The atrium formed by the sweeping turned oak stairs and glazed balustrading is a glass chandelier. Many hardwoods were used internally, including oak and tulip.

Marble and other high quality materials have been used throughout the spacious layout. A fine country home has been created internally and externally, within the newly landscaped grounds.

**Contract value:** £0.65m  
**Completion date:** February 2018  
**Main parties involved:**

Client: Dr and Dr Shah  
Contractor and quantity surveyor: Mercer Building Solutions  
Architect: Corporate Architecture  
Structural engineer: Paul Byrne



**The Walnuts, Tilton on the Hill**  
submitted by Peter Wilmot Architects



Designed to nestle into its landscape on a raised village location, The Walnuts is a new dwelling in the grounds of an existing property. The brief required a traditional, well-proportioned, stone and brick house with a natural blue slate roof to overlook the Leicestershire countryside in a landscaped garden retaining as many natural features and trees as possible.

A key design aim was for the property to be in harmony with its surrounding village, becoming timeless in its setting.

The challenges to face included the level changes in the existing landscape and how to embrace this whilst ensuring open and light spaces externally and internally.

A formal natural ironstone front has a Georgian country farmhouse influence, whilst the use of red brick and natural oak to the south and rear achieves an overall balance of a building normally seen as a progression over many years.

This progression of styles and materials is often seen in Leicestershire country houses. Oak is used in numerous places, forming a key aspect of the overall design.

**Contract value:** £1.3m  
**Completion date:** March 2017  
**Main parties involved:**

Client: Mr & Mrs Greenlees  
Architect: Peter Wilmot Architects  
Contractor: AF Dickson  
Consulting structural engineer: Steve Gilman Design





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- Budgetary considerations

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Large Residential means six or more units.



**Chevron Court, Leicester**  
submitted by GWH Architects



A 125-year-old factory built to make elastic webbing was converted into accommodation for 58 students at De Montfort University. The listed building, with its Leicester skyline landmark chimney, has been brought back into use and renamed as Chevron Court. The iron structural frame has been brought to the fore, highlighting the building's historic significance as an exceptional example of Victorian industrialised pre-fabrication.

Chevron Court contains a mix of studios and two and three bedroom flats. Internally the existing building fabric, and in particular the iron structural frame, has been exposed where possible. The new feature atrium provides a real sense of the building's scale and original use. The staircase and building services were deliberately designed to be industrial in appearance.

The ageing structure of the building posed numerous challenges as areas of flooring and walling were opened up. One issue was how a building with so much glass could be made thermally efficient. The existing chimney within the courtyard is a dominant feature on the Leicester skyline and its retention was planned into the development.

**Contract value:** £3m

**Completion date:** August 2017

**Main parties involved:**

Client: MPH Estates

Architect: GWH Architects

Contractor: JA Ball

M&E engineer: Building Management Technology

Structural engineer: PRP Consulting Engineers & Surveyors

Letting agent: Sterling Lettings



**Princess Road East, Leicester**  
submitted by Stepnell



Princess Road East is a new high-end student accommodation development of 110 studios plus communal facilities. The four-storey block is a five-minute walk from the University of Leicester and within easy reach of De Montfort University. Each of the 110 self-contained studio bedrooms has en-suite bathrooms. There is also a communal area, cinema room and gym. The construction features pre-engineered modular bathroom pods which were delivered to the site fully fitted and ready to be installed, significantly reducing construction times. Princess Road East also incorporates energy-saving technology, including heat recovery ventilation systems and air source heat pumps for hot water heating. High quality bricks and contemporary glazing emphasised by a dark grey aluminium window surround sit in harmony with the adjoining Grade II listed building fronting De Montfort Square.

**Contract value:** Undisclosed

**Completion date:** January 2018

**Main parties involved:**

Client: Zone Developments

Architect: MAS Architecture

Quantity surveyor: MDA Consulting

Contractor: Stepnell

Engineer: Farrow Walsh Consulting

M&E engineer: Built Environment Consulting



**Waterside Court, Loughborough**  
submitted by brp architects



Waterside Court is housing association emh homes' second Extra Care facility of self-contained accommodation fully supported by a range of care and amenity spaces for local older people. Originally the head office of the Moseley Group, the site was dominated by a large building of offices and warehousing. It had become underused, with only some of the warehousing operating on short-term leases. The site's prominence, with frontages to both Derby Road and the Grand Union Canal, lent itself to regeneration. The new 62-unit Extra Care development provides a mix of one and two-bedroom apartments with a series of communal amenity spaces. The building needed to visually integrate with proposed new two-storey dwellings in the surrounding masterplan, the adjacent Victorian residential areas and a more recent apartment scheme. The facility secured a BREEAM 'Good' environmental rating and provides apartments that meet the principles of Lifetime Homes.

**Contract value:** £10.9m

**Completion date:** September 2017

**Main parties involved:**

Client: emh homes

Contractor: Westleigh Partnerships

Architect: brp architects

Employer's agent: Ridge & Partners

Structural engineer: Diamond Wood and Shaw





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- Innovation used in the development/scheme
- Integration into the surrounding area
- Budgetary considerations / value for money
- How well the development meets occupier needs

Non-Residential for the purpose of these Awards includes commercial developments, educational establishments, retail, leisure, industrial and mixed use developments.

Small Non-Residential applicants have a contract value of £3 million or less.



**Get Busy Living Centre, Burrough on the Hill**  
submitted by Willmott Dixon, MDA Consulting, Corporate Architecture, Salus, BSP Consulting, Couch Perry Wilkes, CPMG Architects and Derry Building Services



The Get Busy Living Centre, brainchild of the Matt Hampson Foundation, is a state-of-the-art facility for those who have suffered life-changing injuries through sport. It is somewhere for injured athletes and their families to spend time together and meet others in similar situations, as well as offering services like physical rehabilitation.

Established by Matt Hampson, the former England Under-21 rugby player who suffered a life-changing injury during sport, it provides a place for beneficiaries to spend time in a supportive and well-equipped environment.

Eight companies collaborated on the construction of the Get Busy Living Centre and, with local supply chain partners, saved the Matt Hampson Foundation more than £1million by providing services and materials for free or cost price. At market value the build would have cost the Matt Hampson Foundation £367.77 per square foot, but instead it cost £163.38 per square foot.

Built on a site of historic interest – a former aircraft hangar that was used in the war – the transformation was important to the local community. It's now a prominent feature in the local landscape with a cladding made from copper and timber to maintain the overall look of the original building.

**Contract value:** £1.8m

**Completion date:** December 2017

**Main parties involved:**

Client: Matt Hampson Foundation

Contractor: Willmott Dixon

Cost consultant: MDA Consulting

Lead architect: Corporate Architecture

Building control: Salus

Structural and civil engineer:

BSP Consulting

MEP designer: Couch Perry Wilkes

Internal finishes designer:

CPMG Architects



**New Chimpanzee Eden, Twycross Zoo**  
submitted by MDA Consulting



The new Chimpanzee Eden has been designed to provide a larger, more complex space for Twycross Zoo's chimps to interact in together.

The Zoo's dedicated expert team has spent several years 're-wilding' the chimps into larger social groups. The new habitat allows all of the chimpanzees to live together under one roof.

Twycross Zoo worked with the University of Birmingham to design a bespoke home that best mimics the chimpanzees' natural environment.

The visitor corridor of the habitat was designed with lush greenery to create a jungle-like feel, while providing the visitors with excellent vantage points to see the chimpanzees. Visitors can watch the chimps move between their indoor and outdoor areas via the overhead tunnels which connect the two spaces as well as using sneak-peak holes to get up closer than ever before.

The external habitat houses a large climbing frame dressed in webbing and swings. The new seven-metre high indoor habitat allows the chimps to climb high and move on dynamic structures that behave flexibly, similar to the branches and vines in forest canopies in their natural environment.

**Contract value:** £2.7m

**Completion date:** May 2018

**Main parties involved:**

Client: Twycross Zoo

Contractor: B&K Building Services

Project manager and employer's agent: Swanvale Developments

Quantity surveyor: MDA Consulting

Architect: Weedon Architects



**Thrussington Primary School – New Teaching Block**  
submitted by YMD Boon



The new extension at Thrussington Primary School provides pupils and staff with three additional classrooms, a library, ICT room, staff facilities, a reception area, a group space and other facilities.

The OFSTED-rated outstanding school, which previously had 75 students has now welcomed a further 30 students.

The challenge was to provide vastly improved, fit for purpose facilities, within a tight budget and on a live site in a conservation area, ready for the September intake.

The single storey building was clad using timber and brick and the pitch roof with large overhangs was designed to add a modern twist to its traditional approach.

The sustainable and exciting learning space gave the school a 21st century learning environment, including purpose built early years toilet facilities, access to the re-modelled playground and open, light learning spaces.

Safeguarding has vastly improved thanks to the new reception area. The school had an existing mobile classroom that had to be relocated to facilitate the building of the extension, whilst still being used during the construction phase.

**Contract value:** £0.8m

**Completion date:** August 2017

**Main parties involved:**

Client: Thrussington Primary School

Architect: YMD Boon

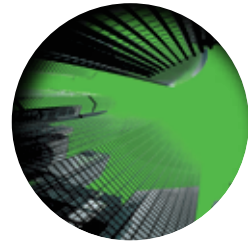
Quantity surveyor and CDM-A: Gleeds

Mechanical and electrical engineering: HBa Consulting Engineers

Structural engineering: Jackson Purdue Lever Construction

Contractor: Derwent Valley Construction





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The scheme is judged in terms of its impact in the following criteria:

- Creative approach to property development including the issues and challenges overcome
- Design excellence
- Construction quality and materials used
- Visual impact, internally and externally
- Sympathetic environmental impact and sustainable aspects
- Innovation used in the development/scheme
- Integration into the surrounding area
- Budgetary considerations / value for money
- How well the development meets occupier needs

Non-Residential for the purpose of these Awards includes commercial developments, educational establishments, retail, leisure, industrial and mixed use developments.

Large Non-Residential applicants have a contract value in excess of £3 million.



**Birkett House SEN School, Wigston**  
submitted by Willmott Dixon, A+G Architects  
and BSP Consulting



Birkett House School is a new Special Educational Needs (SEN) school, with places for 175 young people aged between four and 19. The project saw the school's main building relocated to Wigston Academy's Station Road campus. The school was designed around the idea of using sensory simplicity to impact positively on the comfort and behaviour of the pupils, who have a wide range of disabilities. Birkett House pupils have a range of learning needs, from profound and multiple learning difficulties to moderate disabilities, so the design of the school has specific requirements to meet their needs. The design has two contrasting courtyards to help the pupils identify where exactly in the building they are, and where they need to go. The classrooms benefit from high levels of natural light and feature large overhanging eaves to protect from direct sunlight and glare. The classrooms are subtly colour coded and have a coloured door to their own external space, to help the children identify which classroom is theirs. Three immersive rooms provide fully interactive experiences for the pupils, including vibrating floors, aromas, wind, sound and visuals on multiple surfaces.

**Contract value:** £10m

**Completion date:** August 2017

**Main parties involved:**

Client: Leicestershire County Council

Contractor: Willmott Dixon

Architect: A+G Architects

Structural and environmental engineer: BSP Consulting



**Mountsorrel Memorial Centre, Mountsorrel**  
submitted by Stepnell



The new Mountsorrel Memorial Centre replaced an existing well-used facility that no longer met the demands of the growing village. Commissioned by the Mountsorrel War Memorial Trust and Mountsorrel Parish Council, the new multi-purpose facility contains a theatre, a café space, two shops and a crèche, as well as a music and arts performance and practice room plus meeting rooms. The new building incorporates traditional materials including the well-known local granite. It also features large areas of high-specification glazing, a striking zinc-clad tiered roof and energy-saving solar panels. The Hall and its predecessor were designed to remember the local men who died in wars. A local slate plaque engraved with the names of the fallen is prominently positioned in the main entrance reception. The main hall also features a balcony that leads to a floor to ceiling glazed hospitality space under the exposed curved roof. Outside, there is car parking for more than 60 vehicles. The project also provided work experience opportunities with Stepnell working with local business volunteering charity Leicestershire Cares to organise a number of work experience days.

**Contract value:** £3.9m

**Completion date:** January 2018

**Main parties involved:**

Client: Mountsorrel Parish Council

Contractor: Stepnell

Architect: Franklin Ellis Architects

Quantity surveyor: MDA Consulting

Engineer and mechanic and electrical engineer: Pick Everard



**Steris, Watermead, Leicester**  
submitted by Stephen George + Partners



The project is a purpose-built base for Albert Browne, a world leader in decontamination and sterilization monitoring systems. All of its products are designed and manufactured in and distributed from Leicester. The 5,900 square metre building includes a warehouse, factory and offices at the Watermead Business Park. The facility showcases Albert Browne's product quality and high level of quality assurance in its production methods. The development enabled the bringing together of staff and processes from two sites whilst creating space for any potential future expansion of Albert Browne, a subsidiary of the US-based STERIS Corporation. The facility uses large areas of glazing and a simple neutral colour palette. Three interlocking forms with asymmetric curved roofs contain the main production and storage building whilst a lower block contains the office and R&D functions. A change in colour on each block helps to break down the overall mass, forming an animated 'gateway' into the city and responding to glimpsed views from the A607. The entrances are emphasised by a two-storey blue framed glazed structure containing reception and meeting rooms.

**Contract value:** £7.7m

**Completion date:** February 2018

**Main parties involved:**

Client: Albert Browne

Contractor: A&H Construction & Developments

Architect: Stephen George + Partners

Structural engineer: BWB Consulting

Occupier: Steris



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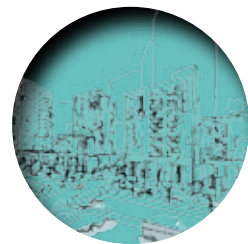
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The development will be judged on the following criteria:

- **Catalyst for the regeneration of the wider area** – the extent to which the project has acted as a catalyst for the regeneration of the surrounding area or created opportunities for this to happen in the future
- **Economic regeneration benefits of the scheme** – jobs created or saved, investment brought in, training provided, etc
- **Social/community and environmental regeneration benefits** – including facilities for local residents, support for community groups, sustainability features, etc
- **Response to constraints and other regeneration factors** – e.g. how dealt with brownfield land, contaminated land, listed building status, etc
- **Quality of design** and building/conservation works
- **Development sensitivity** – to the surrounding area
- **Sustainable aspects** of the development/scheme
- **Innovation** used in the project
- **Budgetary considerations** – e.g. funding streams accessed, public versus private funding received, etc.



**Redevelopment of the former Leicester City Council site, New Walk, Leicester** submitted by MDA Consulting



The mixed use development that replaced the former Leicester City Council HQ on New Walk includes offices, apartments, retail and new public space. The development has given the site a new lease of life and encouraged further regeneration nearby.

The 50,000 square feet of offices is in one building. More than 50 apartments and 10,000 square feet of ground floor retail are in a second structure. The two buildings are very different, with their materials chosen to complement each other and the surrounding area. The scheme replaced an old, tired building considered an eyesore on the Leicester skyline with two modern, attractive buildings which provide much needed office and residential space. Improving the public open space in the area, the large new areas are user friendly and designed to attract lunchtime workers. Semi-mature trees were planted to echo the tree-lined pedestrian corridor of New Walk.

An underground car park sits below both buildings, with the undercroft designed to blend with the surrounding area and not detract from the buildings above. The office building is being occupied by the wealth management firm Mattioli Woods. The whole development was entirely privately funded.

**Contract value:** £19.3m

**Completion date:** February 2018

**Main parties involved:**

Developer: Ingleby

Contractor: John Sisk & Son

Employer's agent, quantity surveyor and principal designer:

MDA Consulting

Architect: Franklin Ellis

Structural engineer: BWB Consulting

Commercial property consultant: APB Leicester



**The Knight & Garter, Leicester** submitted by Fusion Electrics



The Knight & Garter is a new luxury pub and restaurant that has regenerated the former Molly O'Grady's site on Hotel Street. Contributing to the wider regeneration in the Leicester city centre Lanes area, the Knight & Garter has exploited the demolition of the indoor market, including by creating an outside terrace. Now welcoming more than 2,000 customers per week, the Knight & Garter is encouraging a new clientele to the area, encouraging a better atmosphere and a safer environment for visitors. The site has long housed a pub, with the original premises demolished in 1904 when the current building took its place. It was then the first building in the city to have fully electric lighting on the outside.

Now a complete rewiring of the building has introduced an environmentally friendly LED and motion sensor lighting system plus external LED lighting.

The interior has been given modern twists and features, including an open kitchen and a prohibition era style revolving book case for entering the restaurant.

The surrounding area has seen further regeneration with the refurbishment of the 45 West Bar and independent businesses moving in. The New Market Square is now being regularly used for events.

**Contract value:** £1.5m

**Completion date:** November 2017

**Main parties involved:**

Operator: Beautiful Pubs Collective

Electrical engineering: Fusion Electrics

Owner: Everards



**Winstanley House, Leicester** submitted by MAS Architecture



Originally built in the 18th century and home to the Winstanley family for more than 150 years, Braunstone Hall has been reborn as Winstanley House – a wedding venue, banqueting hall, hotel and restaurant.

The original buildings are now linked by a one storey extension, inspired by the famous 1929 Barcelona Pavilion, creating a reception area.

The project restored original features complemented by modern additions that honour the grace and grandeur of Braunstone Hall. The derelict Grade II listed building has been given a new future as a venue for weddings, conferences, entertaining and relaxation. Restoring the original architectural and interior features used local skilled artisans and materials such as lime plaster and single glass pane sash windows. The modern element of floor-to-ceiling glass is married with the old by careful detailing. The accommodation includes bridal suites and 18 bedrooms. Its location in Braunstone Park provides a tranquil setting within the city.

**Contract value:** £3m

**Completion date:** November 2017

**Main parties involved:**

Architect: MAS Architecture

Surveyor: rg+p

Developer and contractor: Parmar Properties

Consulting engineers: Diamond Wood and Shaw

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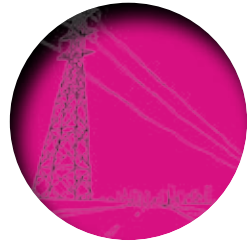


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The project will be judged in terms of its impact using the following criteria:

- Creative approach to the project including overcoming issues and challenges
- Design excellence
- Construction quality and materials used
- Visual impact including integration into the surrounding area
- Innovation demonstrated in the project
- Sustainable elements of the scheme including the overall environmental impact
- Demonstrate how you engaged with stakeholders throughout the project



**Charter Street Footbridge, Leicester**  
submitted by Danaher & Walsh and Leicester City Council



The 50 metre long, five metre wide pedestrian and cycle bridge across the Grand Union Canal is a key part of the city's Connecting Leicester programme. The bridge leads from outside the Leicester Riders Morningside Arena on Charter Street to the open space of Abbey Park.

Designed to be an elegant structure, seamlessly blending into its surrounding environment, the bridge was used by 47,000 pedestrians and 6,400 cyclists during the first six months after its opening.

The Charter Street bridge is a key part of Connecting Leicester, which is removing barriers to connectivity between key areas of the city and helping create a safe and family-friendly city centre.

The bridge helps to improve access to leisure and to promote safe and sustainable transport through walking and cycling. The bridge's proportions created a number of technical challenges during design and construction. The main superstructure was delivered to site via Abbey Park in six sections before on-site assembly took place. It was then lifted into place.

The bridge was designed to be wide enough to accommodate the huge crowds which are attracted to the park during events such as the annual bonfire.

**Contract value:** £1.3m

**Completion date:** January 2018

**Main parties involved:**

Client: Leicester City Council

Main contractor: Danaher & Walsh

Engineer and principal designer: William Saunders Partnership

Subcontractor: CTS Bridges

Subcontractor: Allfoundations

Funding: LLEP Local Growth Fund



**New Lubbethorpe Sustainable Urban Extension**  
submitted by Mather Jamie



The £40m New Lubbethorpe is a Sustainable Urban Extension which will eventually have 4,250 homes.

Its infrastructure includes a new bridge over the M1, new road network connecting Beggars Lane to Meridian Way, foul drainage system including pumping stations, sustainable urban drainage scheme including swales and ponds, and public open space.

The first homes have been built, with 150 already occupied, and construction of a new primary school has begun.

New Lubbethorpe is the only Leicestershire Sustainable Urban Extension (SUE) to be started and is now delivering much needed new homes.

Granted outline planning consent in 2014, the project will include more than 320 acres of new parks.

The first element of sustainable urban drainage has walkways, pedestrian footbridges and landscaping including tree planting.

The infrastructure includes a bridge across the M1 and the opening of Tay Road, which links Meridian Way to Beggars Lane. Both opened in July 2017.

**Contract value:** £40m

**Completion date:** June 2018

**Main parties involved:**

Landowner: Trustees of ERB Drummond

Development agents: Mather Jamie

Project and contract managers: Bentley Project Management

Local authority: Blaby District Council



**SuDS at Birkett House SEN School**  
submitted by BSP Consulting



The Learning with Water: SuDS at Birkett House SEN School is an educational Sustainable Drainage System (SuDS) created as part of a new building to relocate Birkett House School to share a campus with Wigston Academy.

Birkett House is a school for 175 pupils aged four to 19 with special educational needs and the SuDS scheme was designed to provide a safe, inspirational, life-enhancing outdoor facility for the pupils. At the same time, it had to create a sustainable, extensive and effective drainage system for the new buildings and the site.

The SuDS scheme includes a drainage system with storm water run-off discharged to a series of swales and wetlands within the car parking and playground areas. The aim was to get water right into the heart of the children's daily life – providing stimulating experiences and interesting ways of learning about the environment, nature, science and other subjects. Unusually for this type of school, a series of rain gardens has been created in the play areas.

A wetland site is part of the school's outdoor learning, with a shallow pond and planting. An area for wildflowers was also included to improve biodiversity at the site. Far from tucking the SuDS scheme away at the back of the site, out of the way, the scheme was designed to go right up to the classroom areas.

**Contract value:** £0.6m

**Completion date:** August 2017

**Main parties involved:**

Contractor: Willmott Dixon

Civil engineer: BSP Consulting

Landscape architect: DSA Environment + Design

Architect: A+G Architects



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