

Awards

Best Small Project Award 2025

This award category celebrates individual projects (less than £5 million) that are outstanding examples of transportation or highway project demonstrating effective or ground breaking, or entrepreneur solutions and contributing to the North East & Cumbria region.

Entrants should focus on the implementation of new processes, activities, projects, or solutions that achieve demonstrable results. This includes the planning and delivery of new schemes, implementation of new technologies, changes in asset management strategies, research, collaboration programmes, positive sustainable action and outcomes for local communities, with exemplary case studies with positive measurable impact on the regional transport systems.

Some key questions to consider for your entry include:

Have you demonstrated how you solved the core challenge behind the project and how you are doing things differently from previous practice?

Have you clearly demonstrated/evidenced the attributes, benefits, impacts and potential for wider implementation of the proposed solution?

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

Judging Criteria for the Award:

- Engagement and communication with Stakeholders (30%)
- Enterprise, innovation, ingenuity, efficiency, sustainability and resilience solutions (30%)
- Demonstrated community impact and contribution to the North East & Cumbria (30%)
- Wider application potential and lessons learned (10%)

How to enter

To enter this award please complete the Online Entry Form with a maximum of 500-word submission form incl. the problem statement and supporting documents. The deadline for entries is 23:59 on Friday 5th September 2025. Any questions or doubts please do not hesitate to contact us at regions@ciht.org.uk.

Shortlisted entries will be notified in October. Winners will be announced at the CIHT NE&C Awards Dinner at the Crown Plaza Hotel on the evening of Thursday 23rd October 2025 and details published through a variety of media platforms.