

Awards

The John Jeffrey Emerging Professional of the Year Award 2025

This award category honours CIHT Members who live or work in / for the North east and Cumbria region who are making a valuable contribution to highways or transportation sector in the North East and Cumbria region and establishing themselves as a positive role model in the industry.

This award is open to CIHT Members including Graduates, entry level professionals and those early in their career/ return to work from career breaks / career change professionals, with less than 10 years relevant experience.

While we welcome entries from consultancy and contractors, entries from academia, researchers, local government and transport operators are particularly encouraged. Entries may nominate themselves for the Award or be nominated by their CIHT Region or their employer.

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

Judging Criteria for the Award:

- Evidence of technical skills and competency, leadership qualities, and behaviours that lead to measurable outcomes in their projects, tasks or positive impact on organisation or community (40%).
- Contribution to advancing sustainability, innovation, safety and well-being (20%)
- Collaboration and teamwork abilities (20%)
- Testimonials or references from colleagues, or mentors or clients (20%)

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.