**Street Works UK Awards 2025**

The Street Works UK Awards honour excellence in the industry – from products developed to the works operatives carry out. For a submission to be considered, the works carried out must have been conducted between November 2024 and September 2025 and not have been entered for previous Street Works UK Awards. In exceptional circumstances, consideration will be given when entrants can demonstrate significant progress has been made since a previous entry was submitted. This will be at the discretion of Street Works UK and the judges.

The seven categories are:

1. Best Collaborative Works
2. Innovation Excellence
3. Communication and Community Engagement
4. Training Scheme of the Year
5. Rising Star
6. Sustainable Methods
7. Access and Inclusion in Street Works

The following criteria are intended to guide entrants on the aforementioned categories, outlining what submissions should cover while allowing the freedom to highlight the unique contributions of projects, teams and individuals.

1. **Best collaborative works**

The works which demonstrate successful joint working towards the achievement of collaborative goals in respect to a multi-agency project including;reduction in overall occupation of the highway network, reductions in congestion and inconvenience to road users and wider stakeholders.

*Category guidance:*

* *Provide clear and objective evidence that demonstrates collaboration between various bodies including agencies and companies, which went further than statutory requirements.*
* *Illustrate how the planning and collaborative work resulted in a quantifiable and clear reduction in congestion and inconvenience to road users.*
* *Contrast the approach implemented with normal methods and demonstrate how the collaborative process was more successful in improving service.*
* *Demonstrate how the entry is in line with the Consistency and Collaboration pillar of the* [*HAUC(UK) Vision 2030.*](https://static.hauc-uk.org.uk/downloads/HAUC-UK-Vision-2030.pdf)

1. **Innovation excellence**

This award is aimed at an organisation, individual or team that actively seeks, promotes and adopts innovative ways of working. This could be done through employing new approaches and ideas to their overall strategic approach to street works, or to every-day working (e.g. safety).

*Category guidance:*

* *Demonstrate how the innovation was a clear departure and quantifiable improvement on previous methods employed within the industry.*
* *Show how the innovation has been promoted and adopted successfully. Indicate what lessons have been learned about the innovation process, and how the innovation process in the business has been developed as a result.*
* *Describe the impact and potential legacy of the innovation and how it has created a positive impact across the sector.*
* *Demonstrate how the entry is in line with the Technology, Innovation, Data and Decision Making pillar of the* [*HAUC(UK) Vision 2030.*](https://static.hauc-uk.org.uk/downloads/HAUC-UK-Vision-2030.pdf)

1. **Communication and community engagement**

This award recognises an organisation, or an individual, whose effective communication and community engagement is a shining example of how the best in the business facilitate and lead communications and put customers and community at the core of their work. This could be for any number of reasons such as employee communication, customer relations or crisis comms.

*Category guidance:*

* *Show how your communication processes and practice demonstrated successful engagement with stakeholders and use of messaging and media that addressed the needs and concerns of the target audiences.*
* *Illustrate how the implemented communication plan delivered an original and improved approach*
* *Clearly demonstrate the effective and appropriate use of various channels and how these were best-suited to delivering your messaging to target audiences.*
* *Establish how your engagement impacted and benefitted the wider community or intended target group of stakeholders.*
* *Demonstrate how the entry is in line with the Community and the Consistency and Collaboration pillars of the* [*HAUC(UK) Vision 2030.*](https://static.hauc-uk.org.uk/downloads/HAUC-UK-Vision-2030.pdf)

1. **Training scheme of the year**

This award is to honour an individual team or company who has excelled in training and upskilling their employees over the past year. This training could have been provided as part of a new project undertaken, or by way of a wider effort to upskill the workforce in light of the emergence of new technologies, external forces or infrastructure priorities.

*Category guidance:*

* *Clearly demonstrate how the scheme in place provided the necessary training to employees, why this was so important and what were the financial or other operational benefits to the organisation..*
* *Provide insight into how the training scheme or programme offered the necessary education to ensure the workforce was kept up to date with new or changing working practices, and how this aided in delivering vital works.*
* *Demonstrate how the training has been embedded in the organisation to support the long term development of the workforce.*
* *Note any changes in the delivery of key works that can be attributed to the specific training scheme offered to employees.*
* *Demonstrate how the entry is in line with the Community pillar of the* [*HAUC(UK) Vision 2030.*](https://static.hauc-uk.org.uk/downloads/HAUC-UK-Vision-2030.pdf)

1. **Rising star of the year**

This is to award a significant or noteworthy contribution from a new entrant into the street works industry. Winners should demonstrate the positive contribution of younger or less experienced staff and how they have gone above and beyond to improve street works practice in their organisation and the wider industry.

*Category guidance:*

* *The individual should have spent no more than five years working in the industry.*
* *The contributions made by the individual should demonstrate the exceptional impact this person has had on their place of work, as well as why they are a positive ambassador for the sector as a whole.*
* *Where appropriate, nominees will also demonstrate how they have progressed quickly to become leaders in their respective field or an example of excellence within their place of work.*

1. **Sustainable methods**

This award aims to reward those who endeavour to take all practical steps to maximise the use of sustainable methods and materials, reduce waste produced or increase carbon efficiency, whilst minimising the impact on the environment and delivering high quality street works.

*Category guidance:*

* *Demonstrate with objective and quantifiable evidence, the implementation of high levels of sustainable methods which went beyond statutory requirements.*
* *Show ways in which the sustainable methods were able to have a positive impact on the local community in which they were implemented, customers, stakeholders or the wider environment/industry.*
* *Demonstrate how the entry is in line with the Environmental sustainability pillar of the* [*HAUC(UK) Vision 2030.*](https://static.hauc-uk.org.uk/downloads/HAUC-UK-Vision-2030.pdf)

1. **Access and Inclusion in Street Works**

This award recognises outstanding leadership and innovation in creating truly inclusive and accessible environments within the street works and utilities sector. It celebrates the individuals, teams, or organisations that are removing physical, social, and systemic barriers, empowering disabled people and promoting equal opportunity for all.

Category guidance:

* *Demonstrate how you have meaningfully integrated accessibility and inclusion into street works projects, policies, or workplace practices - benefiting both the public and the workforce.*
* *Clearly explain the challenges or barriers (e.g., physical, digital, attitudinal, procedural) that were identified and how they were overcome.*
* *Describe how inclusive approaches were embedded into project planning, delivery, or workforce practices, especially considering the needs of those with visual, hearing, mobility, cognitive, or neurodiverse conditions.*
* *Showcase the tangible results of your inclusive efforts - whether in improving access for the public, enhancing quality of life, empowering individuals, strengthening team culture, or benefiting your organisation.*
* *Demonstrate how the entry is in line with the Community pillar of the* [*HAUC(UK) Vision 2030.*](https://static.hauc-uk.org.uk/downloads/HAUC-UK-Vision-2030.pdf)

**Street Works UK Awards 2025 Entry Submission form**

1. **Awards Category**

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1. **Submission Title:**
2. **Name of company/contractor:**
3. **Contact name:**
4. **Contact email address:**
5. **For the convenience of the judging panel, please explain your submission in under 50 words:**

*Please include your full submission document alongside this form, in line with our awards criteria. This can be in Word Doc or PDF format.*