



North Ayrshire apprentice makes his mark

BBC TV's *The Apprentice* has had the nation talking in recent weeks and now APSE has named its Apprentice of the Year for Housing and Building Services after a difficult judging process which involved many other excellent portfolios. The ceremony took place at the Thistle Hotel in Cardiff and **the winner this year was Ronnie Bond of North Ayrshire Council** whose presentation, in the end, won out despite a strong field.

APSE National Chair, Cllr Ron Manley, said, ***“these awards are a real challenge to the apprentices and, once again, they’ve risen to the occasion. It’s great to see investment paying off in this fruitful way because local authorities can reap the benefits for years to come.”***

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- 1. APSE is the Association for Public Service Excellence.**
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