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Performance networks announces awards finalists for 2007

APSE Performance Networks is pleased to announce the finalists in the most improved and best performer categories for the Performance Networks awards for 2007. The awards ceremony will take place at the Performance Networks Seminar at the Hilton Hotel, Blackpool on the evening of Thursday 6 December 2007. Places at the seminar are booking up fast and those service contacts from short listed councils who have not already done so should book a place on the seminar soon in order to guarantee a place at the awards dinner and ceremony. This year the event will be hosted by Dianne Louise Jordan whose numerous credits include Blue Peter and Grandstand. The award finalists are as follows:

Building cleaning

Best performer

- ◆ Birmingham City Council
- ◆ Preston City Council
- ◆ Sheffield City MBC
- ◆ St. Helen's Metropolitan Borough Council
- ◆ Stoke-on-Trent City Council

Most improved performer

- ◆ Cheshire County Council
- ◆ London Borough of Enfield
- ◆ Gateshead Metropolitan Borough Council
- ◆ Kingston-upon-Hull City Council
- ◆ Moray Council
- ◆ Southampton City Council

Building maintenance,

Best performer

- ◆ Chesterfield Borough Council
- ◆ Clackmannanshire Council
- ◆ Newark and Sherwood Homes Ltd.
- ◆ Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council
- ◆ South Lanarkshire Council

Most improved performer

- ◆ Clackmannanshire Council
- ◆ Copeland Homes
- ◆ East Ayrshire Council
- ◆ Newark and Sherwood Homes Ltd.
- ◆ North Ayrshire Council
- ◆ Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council
- ◆ Vale of Glamorgan County Borough Council

Civic, cultural & community venues

Best performer

- ◆ Albert Halls, Bolton Metropolitan Borough Council
- ◆ Sandfields Community Centre, Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council
- ◆ Freeman Street Resource and Community Centre, North East Lincolnshire Council
- ◆ Tipton Muslim Centre, Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

Most improved performer

- ◆ Albert Halls, Bolton Metropolitan Borough Council
- ◆ Ditton Community Centre, Halton Borough Council
- ◆ Taibach Community Centre, Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council
- ◆ Immingham Resource Centre, North East Lincolnshire Council

Education catering

Best performer

- ◆ Bridgend County Borough Council
- ◆ Manchester City Council
- ◆ Falkirk Council
- ◆ Gateshead Metropolitan Borough Council
- ◆ Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council

Most improved performer

- ◆ East Ayrshire Council
- ◆ Gateshead Metropolitan Borough Council
- ◆ Manchester City Council
- ◆ Plymouth City Council

Highways & winter maintenance

Best performer

- ◆ Dorset County Council
- ◆ East Lothian Council
- ◆ Gateshead Metropolitan Borough Council
- ◆ Midlothian Council
- ◆ Moray Council
- ◆ Orkney Islands Council
- ◆ Vale of Glamorgan County BC

Most improved performer

- ◆ Dorset County Council
- ◆ Dumfries & Galloway Council
- ◆ Gateshead Metropolitan Borough Council
- ◆ Midlothian Council
- ◆ Vale of Glamorgan County BC

Parks, open spaces & horticultural services

Best performer

- ◆ Bradford City MBC
- ◆ Fife Council
- ◆ Hartlepool Borough Council
- ◆ North Lanarkshire Council
- ◆ South Lanarkshire Council
- ◆ Wigan Metropolitan Borough Council

Most improved performer

- ◆ Broxtowe Borough Council
- ◆ Conwy County Borough Council
- ◆ Halton Borough Council

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Refuse collection

Best performer

- ♦ Broxtowe Borough Council
- ♦ East Lothian Council
- ♦ Erewash Borough Council
- ♦ North Lincolnshire Council
- ♦ Peterborough City Council

Most improved performer

- ♦ Broxtowe Borough Council
- ♦ Gedling Borough Council
- ♦ Preston City Council
- ♦ Southampton City Council
- ♦ St. Helen's Metropolitan Borough Council

Sports & leisure facility management

Best performer

- ♦ Chilwell Olympia Sports Centre, Broxtowe Borough Council
- ♦ Northgate Arena, Chester & District Sport & Recreation Trust
- ♦ The Dome, Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council
- ♦ Hood Park Leisure Centre, North West Leicestershire District Council
- ♦ Link Centre, Swindon Borough Council

Most improved performer

- ♦ Christleton Sports Centre, Chester and District Sport & Recreation Trust
- ♦ Ancholme Leisure Centre, North Lincolnshire Council
- ♦ Fulwood Leisure Centre, Preston City Council
- ♦ West Somerset Leisure Centre, Somerset County Council
- ♦ Europa Pools, Wirral Metropolitan Borough Council

Street cleansing

Best performer

- ♦ Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council
- ♦ Chesterfield Borough Council
- ♦ Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council
- ♦ East Riding of Yorkshire Council
- ♦ Gedling Borough Council
- ♦ Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council

Most improved performer

- ♦ East Riding of Yorkshire Council
- ♦ London Borough of Enfield
- ♦ Rochdale Metropolitan Borough Council
- ♦ Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council
- ♦ West Dunbartonshire Council

Street lighting

Best performer

- ♦ Hartlepool Borough Council
- ♦ Hambleton District Council
- ♦ East Riding of Yorkshire Council
- ♦ East Lothian Council
- ♦ Derbyshire County Council
- ♦ Denbighshire County Council

Most improved performer

- ♦ Kingston-upon-Hull City Council
- ♦ Hartlepool Borough Council
- ♦ Greenwich London Borough
- ♦ Falkirk Council
- ♦ Dumfries & Galloway Council

Transport operations & vehicle maintenance

Best performer

- ♦ East Renfrewshire Council
- ♦ Erewash Borough Council
- ♦ Gedling Borough Council
- ♦ Glasgow City Council
- ♦ Sheffield City Council
- ♦ Southampton City Council

Most improved performer

- ♦ Derbyshire County Council
- ♦ Southampton City Council
- ♦ Tynedale District Council
- ♦ North Lanarkshire Council
- ♦ Kingston-upon-Hull City Council

Second batch data submissions

The next deadline for second batch reports is 31 December 2007 for those members who were unable to meet the initial autumn deadlines. This is part of the standard performance networks service and members who submit data by this deadline will receive a complete set of Performance Networks data outputs, at no additional cost.

New service - additional report analysis

New for 2008, APSE performance networks will be providing all member authorities with an additional individual report with a bespoke analysis of their performance identifying issues emerging for their services. The report will be based on data submitted for year 9 (2006/07). To benefit from this new service please ensure that if you have not yet submitted data for your service area that you do so by the second batch deadline 31 December 2007.

Performance Networks Service Action Plans

Every year at the Performance Networks Seminar in Blackpool the service workshops produce an action plan for each service area. The action plans are used to develop the service for member authorities. This year's action plans will be circulated to all service contacts after the Performance Networks Seminar on 6/7 December. We always welcome our members views on the development of the Performance Networks service and if you want to contribute your ideas please E:mail Sarah Pooley at spooley@apse.org.uk