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THE CIVIL ENGINEERING ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ASSESSMENT & AWARDS SCHEME





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Four CEEQUAL Awards for projects in Northern Ireland

Four CEEQUAL Awards are being presented in Derry and Belfast on Wednesday, 9th December.

At 12 noon, the Northern Ireland Minister for Social Development will present a CEEQUAL Interim Client & Outline Design Award to the project team of the **Derry City Centre Public Realm** project, which achieved an 'Excellent' Award with a score of 84%.

In the evening, three further CEEQUAL Awards will be presented by CEEQUAL Chief Executive Roger Venables at the *Sustainability & Carbon Event*, organised by the ICE Northern Ireland and CEEQUAL at the Construction Employers Federation, Malone Road. Award recipients are the project teams of

- the *Balloo Waste Transfer and Recycling Centre* in Bangor, which achieved a 'Very Good' Whole Project Award;
- the *Downshire to Whitehead Sea Defences*: Boneybefore to Edenhalt (Section 3) receiving a 'Good' Whole Project Award; and
- the *Moneymore River Flood Protection Scheme*, which achieved an 'Excellent' Construction-only Award with a 93% score.

For more information about these projects please see http://www.ceequal.com/awards_053.htm (for Balloo Waste Transfer Centre) or http://www.ceequal.com/awards_050.htm (for Moneymore).

CEEQUAL is the assessment and awards scheme for improving sustainability in civil engineering and public realm projects. It celebrates the achievement of high environmental and social performance and demonstrates the commitment of the civil engineering industry to environmental quality. CEEQUAL is being promoted by the ICE, CIRIA and a group of committed industry organisations such as CECA and ACE.

For further information about CEEQUAL, please visit www.ceequal.com.

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About CEEQUAL

CEEQUAL is a scheme operated by and for the UK construction industry to promote improved sustainability in project specification, design and construction and to demonstrate the commitment of the civil engineering industry to environmental quality and social performance.

The scheme rigorously assesses performance across 12 areas of environmental and social concern, rewarding projects on which clients, designers and constructors go beyond the legal and environmental minima to achieve distinctive environmental standards in their work.

Applicants for a CEEQUAL Award report a range of benefits from using CEEQUAL as a driver for improvement and having their project assessed. These include:

- Reputation-building and good PR including delivery of the applicant's environmental, sustainability and/or corporate social responsibility policies.
- Improvements to projects and best practice ranging from whole-life costing, waste minimisation, resource
 efficiency (materials, water, energy), to reducing complaints and environmental incidents.
- Demonstrating commitment to the environmental agenda to clients, within the team and the organisations involved, and to the industry as a whole.
- Enhanced team spirit developing a positive "we must score well here" attitude and rewarding teams that have gone the extra mile.

Since the Scheme's launch in 2003, more than sixty CEEQUAL Awards have been made. Projects that have achieved an Award are listed on the CEEQUAL website. Currently about 150 further projects are being assessed and the total value of projects that have been or are being assessed now exceeds £13 billion.

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