

# AWARDS FOR INNOVATION and Excellence in Planning

A total of 48 entries, including projects from organisations within both the public and private sectors, have been submitted to the Irish Planning Institute (IPI) for the 2023 Irish Planning Awards, which will be presented on Thursday 28 September at Dublin's Clontarf Castle.

**T**his year's Irish Planning Awards, which returns for the first time since 2020, will yet again highlight innovation and excellence in Irish planning at the awards ceremony in Dublin's Clontarf Castle Dublin on Thursday 28 September by the IPI – the all-island professional membership body for spatial planners.

The awards serve to acknowledge a diverse range of projects and plans taking place at county and regional levels in complex and dynamic environments.

Organisations and projects from Dublin, Kildare, Limerick, Cork, Antrim, Tipperary, Meath, Clare, Louth, Galway, Offaly and Donegal were submitted for this year's awards.

**The IPI received 48 entries in total across the following categories, including a special President's Award:**

- Plan Making
- Employment and Enterprise
- Urban Regeneration and Heritage
- Climate Action and Biodiversity
- Sustainable Communities and Placemaking (large scale and small scale)
- Research and Innovation Planning
- Workplace of the Year
- President's Award (the winner will be nominated by the Council).

This year's judging panel will comprise of Mary Mac Mahon MIPI (Irish Planning Institute President), Charlotte Sheridan MIPI (RIAI President), Paul Hogan FIPI (Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage), Henk van der Kamp FIPI (Secretary General of the ECTP-CEU, the umbrella organisation for spatial planning institutes in Europe and past president of the IPI), Terry Prendergast MIPI (former board member of An Bord Pleanála) and John O'Hara MIPI (former Dublin City Council Planning Officer).

## DELIVERING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Mary Mac Mahon, IPI President, said: "The Irish Planning Institute is delighted to host the Irish Planning Awards for the first time since 2020. We have received 48 entries which demonstrate how active our members have been, even through Covid, and I look

forward to judging the innovative planning projects submitted."

She added that the awards "provide an excellent opportunity to promote the contribution of planning to society and highlight the positive work being carried out across the sector and the role of planning in delivering quality and sustainable development".

The Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage will be the main sponsor of this year's awards with additional sponsors including Wave Dynamics Acoustic Consultants and Uisce Éireann. The individual categories of Climate Action and Biodiversity and Research and Innovation will be sponsored by FuturEnergy Ireland and the Office of the Planning Regulator (OPR) respectively.

*The shortlist for the awards will be announced in advance of the ceremony in September. For further updates visit [www.ipi.ie](http://www.ipi.ie)*



*IPI President Mary Mac Mahon says she looks forward to judging the "innovative planning projects submitted".*

## Irish Planning Awards 2023

### THE 48 NOMINEES ACROSS THE VARIOUS CATEGORIES:

ORGANISATION	CATEGORY	TITLE OF ENTRY
South Dublin County Council	Climate Action and Biodiversity	South Dublin's Green Space Factor
EirGrid plc	Climate Action and Biodiversity	The Celtic Interconnector – Good Practice linking Planning, the Planner & Climate Change
South Dublin County Council	Climate Action and Biodiversity	Tandy's Lane Park, Adamstown
Uisce Éireann	Climate Action and Biodiversity	Uisce Éireann (Irish Water) Biodiversity Action Plan
KPMG Future Analytics	Climate Action and Biodiversity	Sustainable Swords
Statkraft Ireland	Climate Action and Biodiversity	Moanvane Wind Farm
County Kildare LEADER Partnership CLG	Employment and Enterprise	Barrow Blueway Economic Plan
South Dublin County Council	Employment and Enterprise	From Big Box to Green Scene
Limerick City and County Council	Plan Making	Young Person Participation in Land Use Planning
South Dublin County Council	Plan Making	South Dublin County Development Plan 2022-2028
The Paul Hogarth Company	Plan Making	Letterkenny 2040 Regeneration Strategy
Kildare County Council	Plan Making	The Athy Local Area Plan 2021-2027 and the Development of a New Generation of Local Area Plans for Kildare
Dublin City Council	Plan Making	Dublin City Development Plan 2022 – 2028
Meath County Council	Plan Making	Flower Hill and Abbeylands Urban Design Plan 2021
DOWNEY	Plan Making	Killaloe-Ballina Town Enhancement and Mobility Plan
Uisce Éireann	Plan Making	Uisce Éireann (Irish Water) National Water Resources Plan – Framework Plan
KPMG Future Analytics	Plan Making	Sustainable Swords
Clare Co. Council	Plan Making	Shannon Town Centre Masterplan
South Dublin County Council	Plan Making	City Edge Strategic Framework (South Dublin County Council and Dublin City Council)
Land Development Agency	Plan Making	Pear Tree Crossing Masterplan
Fingal County Council	Planning Workplace of the Year	This is Fingal – The place to Live Work Visit and do Business
South Dublin County Council	Planning Workplace of the Year	# Making it Work @ SDCC Planning
Virtus	Planning Workplace of the Year	Virtus
Louth County Council	Planning Workplace of the Year	Louth County Council Planning Workplace
Brock McClure Planning & Development Consultants	Planning Workplace of the Year	Brock McClure Planning & Development Consultants
Cairn Homes PLC	Planning Workplace of the Year	Cairn Homes Planning Team
Tom Phillips and Associates	Planning Workplace of the Year	Tom Phillips + Associates
TU Dublin	Research and Innovation	TU Dublin – DLRCoCo Covid Mobility Research Project
South Dublin County Council	Research and Innovation	'Instantaneous Data' – A South Dublin Approach to Active Land Management
University of Galway	Research and Innovation	Promoting spatial planning through school/university project exchange
Land Development Agency	Research and Innovation	The Register of Relevant Public Lands
South Dublin County Council	Research and Innovation	City Edge Project (South Dublin County Council and Dublin City Council)
Tom Phillips and Associates	Research and Innovation	SHDs & SDZzz: Fast-Track Planning in Ireland, and Other Oxymorons
Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly	Research and Innovation	Regional Development Monitor (RDM)
South Dublin County Council	Sustainable Communities and Placemaking (small scale and large scale)	Kilcarbery-Grange in South Dublin
South Dublin County Council	Sustainable Communities and Placemaking (small scale and large scale)	Adamstown SDZ – Airlie Park, Tandy's Lane Park and Adamstown District Centre Plaza
Meath County Council	Sustainable Communities and Placemaking (small scale and large scale)	Kilcloon Community Development
Cairn Homes PLC	Sustainable Communities and Placemaking (small scale and large scale)	Graydon, Newcastle
MKO Ltd.	Sustainable Communities and Placemaking (small scale and large scale)	Creggs Village Plan
KPMG Future Analytics	Sustainable Communities and Placemaking (small scale and large scale)	Sustainable Swords
Quintain	Sustainable Communities and Placemaking (small scale and large scale)	The Crossings, Adamstown
Land Development Agency	Sustainable Communities and Placemaking (small scale and large scale)	Colbert Quarter Spatial Framework
Tipperary County Council	Urban Regeneration and Heritage	Activating Cahir's Town Centre Regeneration Strategy
South Dublin County Council	Urban Regeneration and Heritage	The Street – Kick starting the Tallaght Innovation Quarter
DOWNEY	Urban Regeneration and Heritage	Portarlinton Urban Regeneration Strategy 2030
Donegal County Council	Urban Regeneration and Heritage	Ballyshannon Historic Towns Initiative Project
KPMG Future Analytics	Urban Regeneration and Heritage	Sustainable Swords
Land Development Agency	Urban Regeneration and Heritage	St. Kevin's Cork