



Construction Apprentice of the Year Awards 2021

The Building Plymouth partnership has officially launched the search to find Plymouth's Trade and Technical Construction Apprentices of the Year 2021.

These annual awards recognise the importance of the construction and built environment industry for Plymouth and the part that employers' and their apprentices play in 'Building Plymouth'. The awards also seek to acknowledge the apprentice's exceptional contribution to their workplace and appreciate their commitment to the Apprenticeship experience.

2021 will see two overall winners recognised – a Trade Construction Apprentice of the Year and a Technical Construction Apprentice of the Year. Ron Simmonds was a former Alderman and Mayor of the City and trained as an apprentice bricklayer – the trade trophy pays tribute to the contribution he has made to Plymouth. The technical shield was added in 2017 to celebrate the technical and higher-level apprentices within construction and the built environment in Plymouth.

Nominations are open to Plymouth residents (**with home post codes within the Plymouth City Council boundary**), employed within the local construction and built environment sector who are working towards an Apprenticeship Programme (any level or specialism), or who have completed an Apprenticeship during the calendar year 2020. There are no age restrictions.

How to enter:

- Complete the "Construction Apprentice of the Year Nomination Form 2021" (please note the word count) and submit electronically to hello@buildingplymouth.co.uk
- The closing date for entries – midday on Wednesday 20 January 2021
- The Awards will be presented to the winner virtually during National Apprenticeship Week 2021

Judging Criteria

<p>Significance of the apprentice to their employer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Has the apprentice made a significant and positive impact on their employer's business?
<p>Commitment to the Apprenticeship:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Does the apprentice demonstrate a strong work ethic and commitment to achieving their best in all areas of their vocational and academic training? ✓ Has the apprentice gone above and beyond to seek out knowledge and enhance their capabilities?
<p>Enthusiasm and motivation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Does the apprentice demonstrate awareness, enthusiasm and passion for their work and the construction and built environment sector?
<p>Role model for the Apprenticeship:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Is the apprentice a proactive ambassador for apprenticeships? ✓ Is there convincing evidence of their ability to inspire, not only other young people, but employers, teachers and parents, with a belief in the value of Apprenticeship training?

Ratings against each criteria will be marked:

- 0 – No evidence
- 1 – Poor evidence
- 2 – Good
- 3 – Very good
- 4 - Outstanding

The Judging Panel

The judging panel will consist of representatives from the Building Plymouth Network, chaired by Emma Hewitt, Building Plymouth Skills Coordinator, Plymouth City Council.

The judges' decision will be final, and no correspondence or discussion will be entered into regarding the selection of the winners. All entries will be treated in the strictest confidence.

Plymouth City Council reserves the right to cancel or amend this Award, and these terms and conditions.