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# Congratulations to the Landscape Institute Awards 2020 Winners

Dear LI Awards 2020 Winners,

It is with great pleasure that I would like to congratulate you on winning the 2020 Awards!

It was a record-breaking year for entries – a staggering array of inspiring, innovative projects. The judges have carefully reviewed and selected the best of the best projects aiming to improve physical and mental health and wellbeing, promote sustainability, build resilience to climate change, and help address the biological diversity crisis.

I would like to thank each and every of you for contributing to these important projects, especially at the time of the life-changing pandemic. Having known the amount of hard work you put in everything you do, this award is a recognition of your talents and significant work in connecting people, place and nature.

I hope you all enjoyed our first ever virtual Awards and I wish you an unlimited success in future.

Thank you for your support

**Jane Findlay CMLI**  
President, Landscape Institute





# Event Overview

The LI had another record-breaking year for entries – a staggering array of inspiring, innovative projects that show how our sector is tackling the foremost challenges of our age. 2020's winners projects are aimed to improve physical and mental health and wellbeing, promote sustainability, build resilience to climate change, and help address the biological diversity crisis. Key themes this year were: retrofitting our public green space, reimagining our public realm, transforming our high streets, and making our cities more resilient to climate change with proper, in-practice sustainability.

The 2020 LI Awards categories included:

- 16 redesigned Professional category awards, covering all aspects of practice
- 2 Open category awards, for landscape professionals anywhere to enter
- 2 Student categories, for students enrolled on an undergraduate or post-graduate course accredited by the Landscape Institute
- New 'Building with Nature 2020 Award'

With a record-breaking number of submissions, the judges were astounded with the standard of entries, and we're delighted to share the LI Awards 2020 Winners details.





PROFESSIONAL CATEGORY

## Sir David Attenborough Award for Enhancing Biodiversity

WINNER

### Cator Park, Kidbrooke, HTA Design LLP

#### PROJECT TEAM

**Client:** Berkeley Homes (East Thames) Limited and London Wildlife Trust

**Landscape Design, Way-finding and Interpretation:** HTA Design LLP

**Soil Scientists:** Tim O'Hare Associates

**Engineers:** RSK

**Contractor:** Elite Landscapes/Ginkgo Landscapes Specialists

**Play Installer:** Adventure Playground Engineers



HTA's redesign of 8 ha Cator Park in Kidbrooke Village opened to the public in 2019. Working in collaboration with the London Wildlife Trust, the vision returns nature to the city and challenges the perception that urban brownfield development cannot contribute to the wider ecological and biodiversity network whilst creating successful spaces for the community.

Drawing upon the history of a lost river that once crossed the site and from where the village takes its name, the Lower Kid Brooke, a new dry riverbed creates a palimpsest wending its way from the north to the south of the park. This swale forms the backbone of the landscape approach, connecting the existing waterbodies, acting as a path and play feature that invites the public to discover and interact with the natural environment.

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Wildflower Turf Ltd offers a practical link between those demanding biodiversity and environmental improvements (from specifiers to regulatory drivers) and those who implement and live within this environment (the customer and landscape professionals).

"The winner was judged to show a new attitude to nature, benefitting both biodiversity and the local community, and considered to be an inspiring example of applying a new, nature-inclusive approach to design. The judges for this award agreed that this project was successful in bringing people closer to nature, and helping them understand the vulnerability of wildlife, and has set an example that other urban developments should follow". James Heweston-Brown, Managing Director, Wildflower Turf





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PROFESSIONAL CATEGORY  
**Excellence in Tackling Climate Change**

WINNER

**South Essex  
Green and Blue  
Infrastructure Study,**  
Alexandra Steed  
URBAN Ltd

PROJECT TEAM

**Client:** Association of South Essex  
Local Authorities (ASELA)

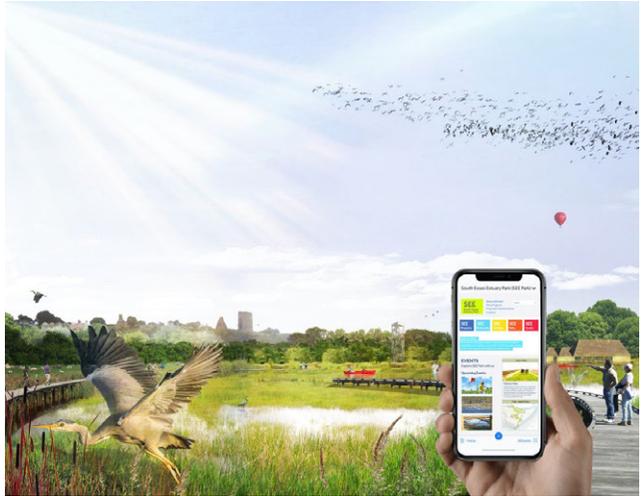
**Project Team:** Prior + Partners JAM  
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These are challenging times. Humanity is being called upon to think differently to address the world's environmental, economic and social issues.

In order to meet these increasing environmental pressures while also meeting future growth demands, the six local authorities of South Essex have formed a union to create a revolutionary Joint Spatial Plan for this vulnerable area covering some 70,000 hectares. The Green and Blue Infrastructure (GBI) Study form a crucial part of the spatial plan and will help to prepare the community for the future by addressing ecological, economic, and social susceptibilities that exist today.

**“South Essex Green and Blue Infrastructure Study, by Alexandra Steed URBAN Ltd was a clear and deserving winner: the judges praised the study as an excellent document that clearly set out its direction and policy. Importantly for Vestre, and in line with our own approach, this work will help other professionals to steer their own efforts in future, enabling other landscape professionals to further address the climate emergency”.**  
Romy Rawlings, Commercial Director, Vestre



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## PROFESSIONAL CATEGORY Excellence in Heritage and Culture

WINNER

### Hillsborough Castle, The Paul Hogarth Company

#### PROJECT TEAM

**Client:** Hystoric Royal Places  
**Design Team Landscape Architect and Design Team Leader for the Grounds:** The Paul Hogarth Company  
**Specialist Garden Designers:** Catherine Fitzgerald & Mark Lutyens  
**Architect and Design Team Leader for the Buildings:** Consarc Design  
**Group Orientation Signage and Outdoor Interpretation:** All Creative  
**Branding Construction Manager:** F3  
**Construct Project Manager:** Edmond Shipway  
**Quantity Surveyor:** F3 & Edmond Shipway  
**M&E:** Troup Bywater & Anders, OCSC and Atkins  
**Historic Structural Engineers:** Mann Williams  
**Civil & Structural Engineers:** OCSC, Atkins  
**Global CDM-C:** Consarc Design Group  
**Planning Consultant:** CgMS  
**Ecology:** Aulino Wann & Associates  
**Arboriculture:** Northern Tree Services  
**Principal Contractors:** Earney Contracts White Mountain WH  
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Hillsborough Castle is a 18th Century home set in 98 acres of grounds. It is the royal residence in Northern Ireland, home to the Secretary of State and the setting of landmark political decisions marking changes in Northern Ireland's turbulent history. During the decades leading up to the present day the grounds in-part became the forgotten backdrop, large sections became overgrown and fell into a state of disrepair.

The Paul Hogarth Company developed the landscape design package in consultation with Specialist Garden Designers Catherine Fitzgerald and Mark Lutyens. Proposals required to maintain the quality of the environment as the place of residence for the Royal Family in Northern Ireland, whilst making it a tourist destination, attracting over 200,000 people each year.

"No country has a greater diversity of historic places. They delight and intrigue, they are sources of prosperity and wellbeing, and heritage lies at their heart. Revealing a place's significance is often catalytic to the establishment of a shared vision and informs its realisation. Landscape architects play an important role in this and Historic England is pleased to support the Landscaper Institute's Excellence in Heritage and Culture Award. Congratulations to The Paul Hogarth Company team and Historic Royal Palaces on winning this year's award. The judges described the Hillsborough Castle project as 'a beautiful and transformational scheme'. Jenifer White, National Landscape Advisor, Historic England





WINNER

**Gallions Park  
Play Area,  
Thamesmead LUC  
and Peabody**

PROJECT TEAM

**Client:** Peabody Elizabeth Connelly,  
Senior Landscape Construction

**Manager Principal Designer:**  
LUC Jennette Emery-Wallis, Director  
and Landscape Architect James Virgo  
Associate Landscape Architect Ed  
Manning, Principal Landscape  
Architect James Lamb, Senior  
Landscape Architect

**Willow Artist:** Jim Buchanan Projects  
Jim Buchanan, artist

**Play equipment specialists:**  
Touchwood Play Joe Cooper, Director

**Quantity Surveyor:** Huntley  
Cartwright Ian Jupp Contaminated

**Land Consultants:** CET Infrastructure  
Marianne J Brett,

**Environmental Scientist Contractor:**  
Bowles and Wyer Dan Riddleston,  
Managing Director



Peabody commissioned LUC to develop a high-quality play facility for the local community of West Thamesmead and to more fully understand its value for people's health and wellbeing. The design seeks to work with the inherent qualities that Gallions Park offers, by focusing playable spaces within different character spaces, all interlinked by a network of paths and routes.

The scheme was designed to be as inclusive as possible, providing accessible play facilities for physically and mentally impaired children. The play area is freely accessible, free of charge and offers informal play and passive recreation for varying age groups.

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Green-tech Specifier is the specification arm of leading landscape supplier Green-tech. The team focuses on technical specification and creating landscape solutions for Landscape Architects, Contractors and Garden Designers.

"The client, Peabody, should be congratulated for setting a clear brief regarding the health and well being of the community and their requirements. LUC understood the target users, accommodated their multiple needs – while not excluding others – and sought to monitor and evaluate the impact and benefits. The design integrates standard and bespoke play equipment sensitively within the existing and modified landscape, all in a socially inclusive manner, adding amenity in an area facing multiple challenges." Mark Wood, Business Development Director, Green-tech



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WINNER

**The Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice Glasgow, ERZ Ltd**

PROJECT TEAM

**Client:** The Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice

**Landscape Architect:** erz Ltd

**Architect:** Ryder Architecture

**Civil & Structural Engineer:**

Woolgar Hunter

**M&E Engineer:** AtelierTen Ltd Main

**Contractor:** Balfour Beatty



The project is focused on creating a new designed for purpose home for the Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice in Bellahouston Park, relocating the Hospice from its former site in Glasgow City Centre. The designed landscape provides a strong setting to the new building and stitches it into the wider Bellahouston Park landscape.

The external spaces offer a valuable resource for the Hospice, with the goal of improving people's quality of life and sense of wellbeing. The landscape provides varied opportunities for therapeutic activity and quiet contemplation. The landscape design was informed through consultation and close working with the Hospice staff team.

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**"This is a wonderful example of just how effective landscape design can be when the needs of the community are fully reflected in place, space and materials. The gardens provide a broad variety of distinct areas for reflection and uses design to seamlessly integrate nature throughout the overall project making a powerful statement on the importance of landscape for wellbeing and the environment." Norman Emery, Managing Director, Selux**





WINNER

**Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park,  
London Legacy Development Corporation**

PROJECT TEAM

**Client:** London Legacy Development Corporation  
Land Management Services Ltd - Park Management Plan and Park Management Plan Executive  
Summary Andrew Harland/Sally Prothero - LDA Design - QEOP  
**Park Significance Study:** Managing Change Gordon Webster - Atkins - Park Design Guide 2018 Catherine Norris - idVerde - Biodiversity Action Plan

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It has been a privilege for Firestarter to be invited to take part in the Landscape Institute awards in a year that has been extremely challenging for all of us, but has demonstrated the resilience and agility of the Institute and its members to be able to continue with the celebrations in a new format.

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London Legacy Development Corporation's purpose is to use the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity of the London 2012 Games and the creation of Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park to develop a dynamic new heart for east London, creating opportunities for local people and driving innovation and growth in London and the UK. The suite of documents has been developed since the first Park Management Plan and Biodiversity Action Plan. It now also includes a Park Design Guide and Park Significance Study, to guide the growth, operation and management of the LLDC Estate. The Executive Summary provides an engaging overview explaining the complexities of managing the Park to a wider audience.

**"Once again, we'd like to offer our congratulations to the London Legacy Development Corporation on winning the award for Excellence in Landscape and Parks Management for the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park project. This is a site that is well-known to many people and has clearly maximised the value of the space for both people and nature to use for many years to come". Chris O'Riordan, Managing Director, Firestarter Business Solutions**



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PROFESSIONAL CATEGORY  
**Excellence in Landscape Construction**

WINNER

**The Green Heart,  
University of Birmingham,  
Churchman  
Thornhill Finch**

PROJECT TEAM

**Client:** University of Birmingham

CONSTRUCTION TEAM

**Lead Designer:**

Churchman Thornhill Finch

**Principal Contractor:** Wilmott Dixon

**Hardworks Contractor:** McDermott

**Landscape Contractor:**

Afan Landscapes

**M&E, Lighting:** ORBS

**Furniture Manufacturer:**

Bramhall 1840 Precast Concrete

**Bridge Fabricator:** Creagh Concrete

**Waterfeature Specialist:** Stonbury

COMPLETE DESIGN TEAM

**Landscape Architect:**

Churchman Thornhill Finch

**Architect:** Associates Architects

**Masterplanner:** MJP Architects

**Lighting Designer:** Speirs + Major

**Structural/Civil Engineer:** ARUP M+E

**Engineer:** CPW

**Arboriculture:** Treeworks

**Ecology Consultant:** CSA

**Environmental Soil Specialist:**

Tim O'Hare Associates

**Consultation:** Nomad RDC

**Quantity Surveyor:** Currie & Brown

**Principal Designer:** Steven Barnsley Associates



The University of Birmingham's Green Heart is one of the UK's largest public realm projects, offering a new educational environment at the heart of the historic campus. Conceived by Churchman Thornhill Finch, it was a collaboration between the University, Churchman and Contractor Wilmott Dixon. The craftsmanship is of the highest standard, the level of detail and the refinement of fabrication sets the Green Heart apart from its competitors.

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**"Congratulations to all involved in the Green Heart project, an incredible feat of design and construction that transformed this area from the ground up into a social hub for students and colleagues. With a seamless blend of hard and soft landscaping, this project brings a slice of nature closer to the metropolitan area of Birmingham". James Gosden, Senior Project Consultant, Marshall's**





PROFESSIONAL CATEGORY

**Excellence in Horticulture and Planting Design**

WINNER

**The Water Gardens.  
Hyde Park Estate,  
London**  
Refolo Landscape  
Architects

PROJECT TEAM

**Client:** The Church Commissioners for England Joanna Love, Commercial Manager James Parker, Project Manager

**Lead Designers:** Refolo Landscape Architects Cristina Refolo - Founding Director Mark Burgess - Creative Strategy Director

**Project Manager:** Collier International. Dermot O'Brien, Director Bernice Maher, Associate Director

**Soil Specialist:** Tim O'Hare Associates Tim O'Hare, Director

**Drainage Engineers:** Cundall Paul De Vere, Associate Alastair, engineer

**Main Contractor:** Makers William McCrimmon, Regional Construction Manager Michael Ling, Site Manager.

**Landscape Contractor:** Bartholomew Landscaping Andy Coles, Director Andy Behan, Director Finn Chu, Directors

**Aquatic Landscape Contractor:** Aquayoy Water Gardens Ltd Ian Owen, Director

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"We are so pleased to have sponsored the category Excellence in Horticulture and Planting Design. As landscape professionals we appreciate the efforts of our design colleagues and we are thrilled to be able to recognise their pursuit of excellence. The excellent design work done in this area demonstrates how critical horticulture is to our industry and our wellbeing. Congratulations to all entrants in this category". Warren Heaton, Senior Manager, Ground Control





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WINNER

**South Essex Green and Blue Infrastructure Study, Alexandra Steed URBAN Ltd**

PROJECT TEAM

**Client:** Association of South Essex Local Authorities (ASELA)

**Project Team:** Prior + Partners JAM Consult Green Infrastructure Consultancy



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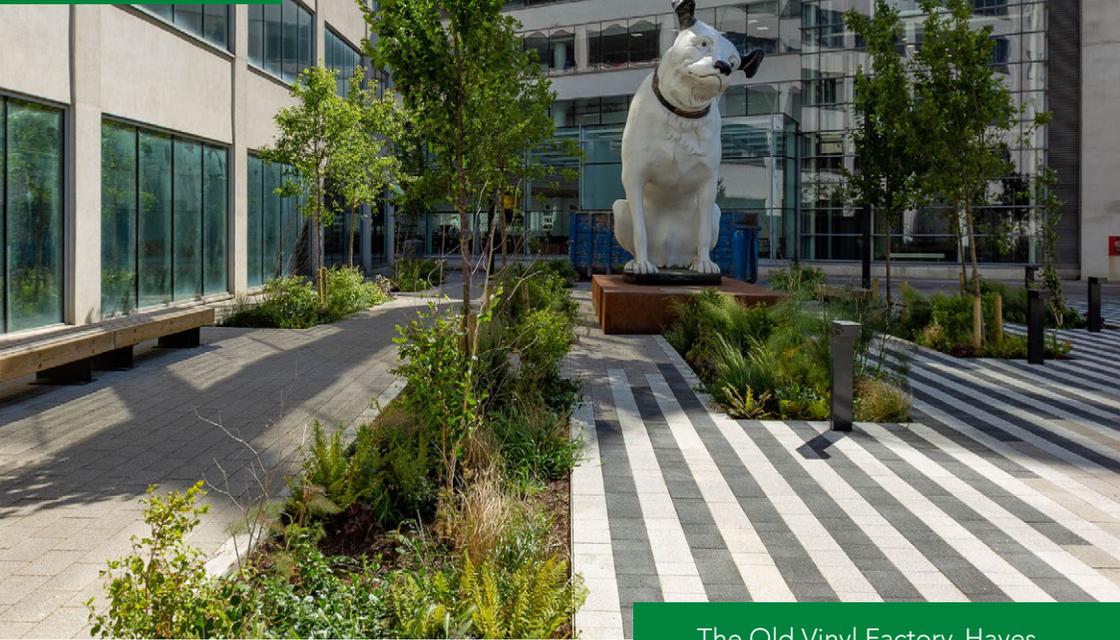


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"The South Essex Green and Blue Infrastructure Study (GBI) is an exemplary coordinated approach into the design of natural based solutions into the built environment. A testament to commitment that quality is adhered to ensuring initial concepts are conferred, supported and seamlessly merged into the design and future installation of our urban spaces. Congratulations Alexandra Steed Urban Ltd your continued work is enabling healthier cities for generations to come!" Louise Page, Marketing Manager, GreenBlue Urban



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WINNER

**Urban Childhoods,  
 Belfast City Centre**  
 Arup

PROJECT TEAM

**Clients:** Global Resilient Cities Network (previously 100 Resilient Cities) and Belfast City Council  
**Project team:** Dima Zogheib, Sogol Ayazi, Jose Ahumada (Arup) Grainia Long, Richard McLernon, Callie Persic, Israel Hontavilla, Simon Rees (Belfast City Council)



Cities are growing, and growing less hospitable for children. The youngest in society, our future citizens, have been increasingly sidelined by urban planners, leaving us with city centres and suburbs that restrict the freedoms of children and expose them to lifelong health and development risks.

35% of Belfast’s population is aged 25 or under. Urban Childhoods Belfast sets out a framework and a design strategy for making the city centre of Belfast child-friendly. The project supports Belfast’s aspirations for attracting families, skilled and talented workforce, particularly those with children, back to the heart of Belfast.

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They said they were “impressed at the inclusion of children and young people in the design process”. The judges felt the benefits of this approach were clear, and praised the project’s real attention and understanding of the needs of urban children. They thought the project’s design and implementation strategies were superb, and that it was an exemplar of what designed and inclusive regeneration is all about. It is an excellent and inspirational project, and they called it “a hugely worthy winner.”  
**Dave Lowe, Specification Director, Hardscape**





PROFESSIONAL CATEGORY

**Excellence in Masterplanning and Urban Design**

WINNER

**Waterbeach Barracks  
and Airfield,  
Bradley Murphy  
Design Ltd (BMD)**

PROJECT TEAM

**Client:** Urban & Civic

**Masterplanners and Architects:**

Fletcher Priest Architects

**Infrastructure Consultants:** Stantec  
(Formerly Peter Brett Associates)

**Planning Consultants:** David Lock  
Associate



Waterbeach is the result of a collaborative best practice approach to masterplanning and urban design. Its nature-led vision, embracing and reflecting the surrounding landscape, has shaped the development of new community and civic life, creating an exceptional place to live.

A critical element of the project has been demonstrating how the site will achieve a net gain in biodiversity. The creation of four Biodiversity Priority Areas that harness the best of the site's existing assets were mapped, safeguarded and augmented to create rich and distinctive habitats at a macro scale, which are then linked through smaller scale interventions to provide an interconnected mosaic of habitat and space for wildlife and people, covering nearly 45% of the site and delivering a net gain in biodiversity.

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**"Well done to Bradley Murphy Design from everyone at AG for winning the Excellence in Master Planning and Urban Design award for the fantastic Waterbeach Barracks & Airfield project. A truly significant project in terms of location, scope and impact; the Waterbeach Barracks & Airfield project demonstrates the importance of landscape planning across a variety of landscape types. This project really has raised the bar, showcasing how landscaping projects can engage with the locality and make a real difference to the wildlife and community surrounding it."**  
**Core Benjamin, Specification Consultant, AG**





WINNER

**Sauchiehall Street  
Avenue,**  
Urban Movement  
Limited and Glasgow  
City Council

PROJECT TEAM

Client: Glasgow City Council  
Project Team: Urban Movement Ltd  
Glasgow City Council 7N Architects



Promoting active travel (walking and cycling) helps us tackle climate change, makes us healthier, both mentally and physically and has wide ranging economic benefits. By changing Sauchiehall Street from four lanes wide to two, the Avenues project was able to establish over thirty semi-mature trees, a cycle track, a footway wide enough for tables and chairs and seats for everyone to enjoy.

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**"This excellent example of sustainable infrastructure seems particularly relevant in the current pandemic, delivering an environment fit for the future and for the current needs of social distancing, healthier living and, hopefully, economic improvements to the high street. The end result is simple, robust and replicable, setting an example for future projects of this type." Ian Bush, Account Executive, McParland Finn Ltd**





## PROFESSIONAL CATEGORY Excellence in Flood and Water Management

WINNER

### Eastcote Town Centre Rain Gardens Project Centre

#### PROJECT TEAM

**Client:** London Borough of Hillingdon, Dalton Cenac (Highway Scheme Director), Victoria Boorman (Flood and Water Management Specialist), Aram Cheraghi (Senior Project Engineer), Catherine Flew (Town Centre Improvements Officer), Helena Webster (Community Engagement & Town Centres Team Leader)

**Project team:** Project Centre - Samer Muhandes (Flood and Water Management Lead), Sookyong Im CMLI (Landscape Lead), Kaitak Ly (Engineering Lead), Asim Zeb (Director)



Project Centre designed a series of 15 rain gardens to capture and treat stormwater at Eastcote Town Centre, an area where residents and businesses have suffered from frequent surface water flooding. As part of the wider Eastcote Town Centre Improvements for the London Borough of Hillingdon, the overall aim was to deliver a multifunctional scheme which would inject new life into a neglected public space and boost footfall at a time when high streets are struggling, whilst providing flood protection.

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"Congratulations to Project Centre, with Eastcote Town Centre Rain Gardens, in winning the 'Excellence in Flood Water Management' category award. This category is important to Tilhill as sponsors because we too focus on enhancing the landscape through sustainable and professional management across our business. Given our status as 'Woodlands for Water' advisors, we understand the need for high quality, environmentally beneficial projects which help to improve water quality and reduce flood risk in key areas. It is clear that Project Centre took consideration of not only flooding issues, but of the social and economic aspects as well, providing huge benefits to the surrounding community." Julian Ohlsen, Regional Manager, Southern England, Tilhill





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WINNER

**Data and Design for Property Planning,**  
Jenny Elliott CMLI

PROJECT TEAM

**Client:** City of Edinburgh Council (CEC) in collaboration with Edinburgh Living Lab at the University of Edinburgh.

**Project team:** Jenny Elliott (CMLI) - Community Engagement and Design Partner, Edinburgh Living Lab at the University of Edinburgh - including Cat Magill (Programme and Project Lead), Ewan Klein (Data Coordinator) and Andrey Elizondo (Community Researcher). AndThen - Service Design and Futures workshops. Sally Kerr - former Digital Innovation Manager (CEC) With support and collaboration from City of Edinburgh Council's Property team and SE Locality Services staff.



'Data and Design for Property Planning' was a collaborative project between Edinburgh Living Lab (ELL) at the University of Edinburgh and the Service Design and Our Assets programme at the City of Edinburgh Council (CEC) during 2019. The Edinburgh Living Lab project team used an innovative data-and-design methodology applied to a specific Edinburgh neighbourhood to help the Council's novel flagship 'Service Design and Our Assets' programme make better decisions about significant changes to the Council Estate at the neighbourhood scale and inform longer-term place-based planning.

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"Peabody is proud to sponsor the 'Excellence in Community Engagement' category and would like to congratulate Edinburgh Living Lab and the City of Edinburgh Council for their project Data and Design for Property Planning. The two organisations collaborated on this project which uses data and design methods to improve decision-making around the future of Council buildings and property. They designed and tested a new approach for community-centred and data-informed decision-making – engaging more than 900 stakeholders and using 11 different methods. It's so important that we look at new ways of engaging with the communities we work in and Data and Design for Property Planning is a fantastic example of this." Philip Askew, Director Landscape & Placemaking, Peabody





OPEN CATEGORY

## Dame Sylvia Crowe International Award

WINNER

### Da Sha River Ecological Corridor, AECOM Ltd

#### PROJECT TEAM

**Project Team:** AECOM Ltd., Lenren Lee, Tungsheng Shen, Y I Li, Weiguang Gu, Jinbin Luo, Kun Wu, Xueneng Zhuang, Rivera Huang, Wensheng Liang, David Gallacher, Keqian Yi, Jun Li, Gesim Jose, Ruijue Hu, Xihui Liu, Li Liang, Xiaoxiang Qiu, Qiao Da, Lu Sun, Wanxiang Pan, Zhifei Zhang  
**Developer:** China Resources Land

**Project Owner:** Government of Shenzhen Nanshan District



Da Sha River, the 'Mother River' inherits the memories of Nanshan throughout its long history. However, with the rapid development of the economy and the increase in population, people have gradually forgotten the joy of living with the river. During past decades of unparalleled progress in Shenzhen, the River was forgotten and no longer has a dialogue with the city.

In order to achieve the River's regeneration, the designers used the concept of 'Rebirth', addressing the re-connection of the historical relationship between people and water. Through the improvement of the landscape, a diversified urban riverbank sequence and urban water bank environment was created which brings the river back to the city and the memories to the people's life.

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"Polypipe Civils & Green Urbanisation is proud to have sponsored the Dame Sylvia Crowe award recognising landscape excellence around the world. This award recognises projects that deliver significant benefits to people, places and nature which is something we at Polypipe champion and we have certainly seen this demonstrated by the winners of this category. The Dasha River Ecological Corridor by AECOM Ltd. Showcases social, ecological and artistic value as well as contributing positively to biodiversity, human health and wellbeing while providing resilience to climate change. Congratulations to AECOM Ltd. On this well-deserved award!" Sean Robinson, Specification Director, Polypipe





WINNER

**Thinking with my ears: Guidance on sound for Landscape Architects,**  
Usue Ruiz Arana

PROJECT TEAM

**Client:** Newcastle University  
**Collaborators:** Oobe Ltd

This guidance is partially illustrated through a prospective project developed in collaboration with Oobe.



Landscape Architects, together with other design professionals such as urban designers, architects, and engineers, play a primary role in the composition of the soundscape. Through our design and management interventions, we compose the geophony (geophysical sounds), biophony (biological sounds) and anthrophony (anthropogenic sounds) of the landscape. But how many of us think of ourselves as soundscape composers, as 'soundscape architects'?

The guidance brings attention to an area of soundscape research highly relevant to the practice of Landscape Architecture and it has been written to enable future 'soundscape' architects to incorporate the advice into their existing working practices from site analysis to maintenance stages.

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**Landscape Legacy Award**

WINNER

**Brian Clouston**



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‘Brian has made an enormous contribution to the discipline through his roles as Past President, author, successful practitioner, major employer, and supporter of the profession. There are few practitioners who can claim such a rich and diverse legacy of work and influence. Brian’s contribution to the profession is internationally recognised and respected, and the Clouston brand lives on with Clouston Associates, who operate from design studios in Sydney and Darwin, Australia.’





OPEN CATEGORY

## Partnership and Collaboration Award

WINNER

### The Children's Garden, Royal Botanic Gardens Kew Ground Control Ltd & Royal Botanic Gardens Kew

#### PROJECT TEAM

**Client:** Royal Botanic Gardens Kew  
**Project Team:** Ground Control Ltd - Matt Nokes, Chris Chippendale, Adam Newson, Tom Bruce, Andy Harris, Iain Bruce, Mick Bunting, Sam Miller, Sam Elliot, Mark Curry, Rahsan Arber, Carl Horsdal, Megan Kavanagh - Royal Botanic Gardens Kew - Suzie Jewell, Richard Wilford, Patrick Wynniatt-Husey, Richard Barley - Mott MacDonald (on behalf of RBG Kew) - David Spratt, Eddie Geal - Duncan and Grove - Artelia - Handspring Design - Watermatic



Set within the unique setting of the Royal Botanic Garden's Kew the Children's Garden is a dedicated space for fun, exploring, play and learning and one of the most ambitious projects in the botanic gardens in the last decade. Designed around the structure of 'What do Plants need to Grow' the scheme focuses on encouraging creative play and an engagement of children with nature to create lasting family memories with.

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"The judges of this category regarded the winning project as an excellent example of partnership and collaboration across a wide range of disciplines. This was shown in both the documents they submitted and the resulting construction on site. The judges commented that the project will clearly have a positive impact on the health and wellbeing of its users and shows an exceptional commitment to sustainability. They also thought that it illustrates what can be achieved through the successful collaboration of a broad range of partners. The panel congratulated the team for achieving such a strong community-positive result with this project." Wayne Grills, Chief Executive, British Association of Landscape Industries (BALI)





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**Pomona Island  
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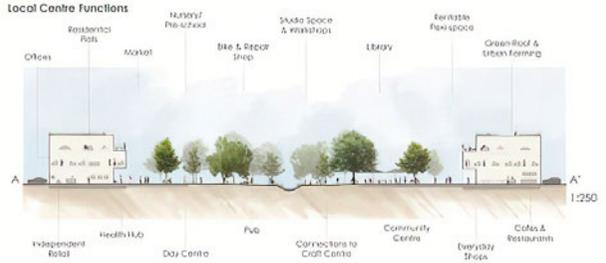


“This beautifully presented portfolio demonstrates a thorough understanding of contextual site history, and sound analysis of the future potential of a complex site. Thorough examination of the setting of this inner city Manchester site – partly abandoned and derelict but biodiversity rich – inspires design solutions at a variety of scales. A clear design development process leads to realistic solutions for a range of site situations, with excellent visualisations at a variety of scales. An excellent example of an overall holistic approach to Design and Placemaking, illustrated with excellent graphics throughout.”



WINNER

**Climate change policy at the local level, does it go far enough?**  
Rosie Hammonds,  
University of Sheffield



“This focus on climate change policy at the local level is acutely relevant in the context of the global climate crisis. The dissertation is well-focused, with a clear, strong storyline running throughout. Findings are presented with some excellent and original graphics, which together communicate ideas well. The dissertation communicates strong, relevant recommendations for climate change policymakers at the local level.”





PARTNER AWARD

## Building with Nature National Award

WINNER

### Forth Valley Hospital and Larbert Woods, Raeburn Farquhar Bowen

#### PROJECT TEAM

**Client:** NHS Forth Valley / Forest  
& Land Scotland (formerly Forest  
Commission Scotland)

**Landscape Architect:**  
RaeburnFarquharBowen  
(formerly Ian White Associates)

**Stakeholders:** Falkirk Council, Green  
Exercise Partnership, NHS Health  
Scotland, Scottish Natural Heritage



The project demonstrates the benefits of Green Infrastructure investments around hospitals. The landscape design promotes good health rather than just treating illness. Garden courtyards run through the building. Visitor gardens welcome people at the hospital entrance.

The project considered scale, character and quality of the existing landscape a key asset. A landscape masterplan and design guidance brought neglected and overgrown woodlands and a loch back into sustainable management.

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