

# London acknowledges construction excellence



55 Baker Street

Leading lights from the construction sector joined heads of building control, staff and invited guests to celebrate the best projects completed in the capital over the last year at the LDSA Building Excellence Awards in June

**H**eld in the crypt of the prestigious Guildhall, more than 120 guests enjoyed a delightful five-course dinner before the guest of honour, Sarah Sturrock, Head of Sustainable Buildings Division at CLG, and Robert Hunter-Jones, LDSA President, co-presented the winners with their coveted certificates.

Projects ranged from a new mortuary in Haringay to Broadgate, a new multi-storey office complex painstakingly constructed over railway lines

in the City of London – and the subsequent overall winner on the night.

Adrian Cole, Head of Building Services at London Borough of Bexley, and one of the organisers of the event, said: “Once again, the awards have proved to be a resounding success, and full credit must go to the teams involved in the creation of some excellent new buildings across the capital.

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remains committed to providing an equally excellent building control service to the construction sector in London.”

The winning and highly commended projects were:

#### **THERMAL OR ACOUSTIC INNOVATION**

*Winner*

Project and authority:  
10 Eastbourne Terrace,  
Westminster

Architect/Developer:  
Fletcher Priest/Wates/Land  
Securities

*Highly commended*

Project and authority:

Broadgate Tower



Sidcup Leisure Centre



Woodland Terrace



Westminster Kingsway College, Wandsworth  
Architect/Developer: A&Q Partnership/St James Group

**FIRE ENGINEERING INNOVATION**

*Winner*  
Project and authority: 55 Baker Street, Westminster  
Architect/Developer: Make/HBG/London & Regional

**STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING INNOVATION**

*Winner*  
Project and authority: Broadgate Tower, City of London  
Architect/Developer: SOM/Bovis Lend Lease/ British Land

**ACCESS/DISABILITY REGULATIONS INNOVATION**

*Winner*  
Project and authority: Westfield London, Hammersmith & Fulham  
Architect/Developer: Buchan Group/Westfield Shopping Towns

**SUSTAINABILITY INNOVATION**

*Winner*  
Project and authority: Sidcup Leisure Centre, Bexley  
Architect/Developer: Burke Rickhards/Gleeson

*Highly Commended*  
Project and authority: Mandeville School, Ealing  
Architect/Developer: Wates/Babcock/LB of Ealing

**BEST PARTNERSHIP**

*Winner*  
Project and authority: Westminster Kingsway College & Queen Mary's Place, Wandsworth  
Architect/Developer: Wandsworth/St James Group

**BEST EDUCATIONAL PROJECT**

*Winner*  
Project and authority: Mandeville School, Ealing  
Architect/Developer: Wates/Babcock/LB of Ealing  
*Highly Commended*  
Project and authority:

Sedgehill School, Lewisham  
Architect/Developer: Costain/Architects Co Partnering/Lewisham Schools for Future SPV

**BEST HEALTHCARE PROJECT**

*Winner*  
Project and authority: Wykeham House, Merton  
Architect/Developer: Archadia/Denne Construction  
*Highly Commended*  
Project and authority: Mortuary, Haringey  
Architect/Developer: TP Bennett/Mulalley/LB of Haringey

**BEST ONE-OFF HOUSE**

*Winner*  
Project and authority: 1A Frimley Close, Wandsworth  
Architect/Developer: Hidden Homes, LB of Wandsworth

**BEST SOCIAL HOUSING**

*Winner*  
Project and authority: Parkside, Wandsworth  
Architect/Developer: Acanthus/Ardmore/Barratt Thames Gateway



◀ **BEST HOUSING PROJECT (UP TO 10 UNITS)**

*Winner*  
 Project and authority: Woodland Terrace, Haringey  
 Architect/Developer: Fereday Pollard/Forest Gate Construction/Acorn Property Group

Homes  
*Highly Commended*  
 Project and authority: Pan Peninsula, Tower Hamlets  
 Architect/Developer: DMWR/Ballymore Group

**COMMERCIAL PROJECT**

*Winner*  
 Project and authority: Broadgate Tower, City of London  
 Architect/Developer: SOM/Bovis Lend Lease/British Land  
*Highly commended*  
 Project and authority: 55 Baker Street, Westminster

**BEST HOUSING PROJECT (MORE THAN 10 UNITS)**

*Winner*  
 Project and authority: Icona Point, Newham  
 Architect/Developer: Stock Woolstencroft/Telford

**“DISTRICT SURVEYORS HAVE MET REGULARLY SINCE 1774 WHEN THE BUILDING ACT CONFIRMED THE CONTROL OF BUILDING WORK BY STATUTORY SURVEYORS IN AN AREA OF CENTRAL LONDON”**

Architect/Developer: Make/HBG/London & Regional  
*Highly commended*  
 Project and authority: Westfield London, Hammersmith & Fulham  
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Built on foundations dating back more than 300 years, the modern London District Surveyors Association is an organisation of the heads of local authority building control in London. Probably its most important role is to guide local authority building control officers in London with up-to-date, expert advice to achieve uniformity of interpretation and operation of the Building Regulations.

This role is reflected in the Association’s history where the Act for Rebuilding the City of London in 1667 decreed that there should be appointed “one or more discreet and intelligent person or persons in the art of building to be surveyors or supervisors to see the said rule and scantlings well and truly observed”.

District surveyors have met regularly since 1774 when the Building Act confirmed the control of building work by statutory surveyors in an area of central London.

In January 1845, the original District Surveyors Association was founded and incorporated in 1905 as the forerunner to the current LDSA.

