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Awards Special

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## Last Call for 2013 Awards!

There is less than two weeks left to enter the Hertfordshire Building Futures Awards 2013 so download the application pack and get your entry in!

Entry is quick and easy to do – simply **download the Application Pack** [here](#), fill it in and send it on its way.

Entries can be submitted by anyone. There are only two conditions that need to be met:

- Be located in Hertfordshire
- Completed between 16 September 2011 and 16 September 2013

If you've worked on or know of a scheme which you think should be recognised for its design or sustainability credentials then tell us about it. Schemes can be entered into the following categories:

- Design Excellence Award
- Most Sustainable Construction Award
- Outstanding Commitment to Adapt to a Changing Climate Award
- Retrofit for the Future Award.

Entering the awards allows you to demonstrate you're committed to sustainable and high quality development, and the success you have achieved so far. As a short listed scheme, you will be invited to the awards ceremony at the iconic Spirella Building in Letchworth, where the winners will be announced. This is a great opportunity to network with potential clients and business partners. All short listed schemes will be profiled amongst the



Building Futures readership – some 1200 people in the planning, design, sustainability and governmental sectors – via the Building Futures website, E-newsletters and social media.

Award winners will be profiled locally and nationally, and can look forward to receiving coverage in some of the major national trade journals. The Building Futures Partnership will be promoting the winning projects as the pinnacle of sustainable design in the county and will profile winning projects in E-newsletters and as case studies on the Building Futures website post awards. As the awards are biennial, the coverage of winning projects will continue for two years after the event until the next awards in 2015.

To nominate your project simply download the application pack and email your entry by 27 September to:

[buildingfutures@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:buildingfutures@hertfordshire.gov.uk)

If your entry is greater than 4MB then please send it by post to:

**Hertfordshire Building Futures Awards 2013**

Environmental Resource Planning

Hertfordshire County Council

County Hall, CHN 216, Pegs Lane, Hertford, Hertfordshire,  
SG13 8DN

Visit the Building Futures website for further information on the Awards:

[www.hertslink.org/buildingfutures](http://www.hertslink.org/buildingfutures).

## **Munish Datta confirmed as keynote speaker**



The keynote speaker for the 2013 Awards ceremony has now been confirmed. Munish Datta, Head of Property Plan A at Marks and Spencer's Ltd leads the retailer's strategy for embedding sustainable design into all new stores and retrofitting their existing stores to improve environmental performance.

Delegates at the 2013 Awards can look forward to a fascinating talk on this industry leading work.

## **New sponsors confirmed**

The **Most Sustainable Construction 2013** Award will be sponsored by the University of Hertfordshire. The Law Court at the Hatfield campus won the award for the Most Sustainable Construction in 2011 and this year they are looking to give something back to the awards scheme.



The new **Retrofit for the Future** award will be sponsored by Weber Saint-Gobain, a major manufacturer of building materials. Weber's established product range includes external wall insulation systems and specialist construction products.

### Learn about our Awards judging panel

The judging panel for the 2013 Building Futures Awards is comprised of four leading practitioners in the fields of sustainable design and architecture, planning and urban design, and sustainable construction. They are:

#### **Barry Shaw MBE B.Arch RIBA MRTPI FRSA**



Barry Shaw is director of Barry Shaw Associates, a specialist consultancy providing regeneration, urban design and enabling services. An architect and town planner he has extensive experience of providing support and delivering innovative solutions to local authority, community and business groups in the UK, mainland Europe and the USA.

He previously served as Director of the Essex Design Initiative at Essex County Council where he led a team providing expert services in environmental management as well as design guidance through the Essex Design Guide.

In 2010 he helped establish a community interest company for Chelmsford which helped the town obtain city status. Prior to joining Essex in 2007 he was the founding chief executive of the Kent Architecture Centre where he helped pioneer design review at regional and local levels and was an adviser to Government on the creation of CABE.

Barry is an adviser to the Design Council CABE and English Heritage, chairman of the Hertfordshire Design Review Panel and sits on the boards of

Changing Chelmsford and the Kent Architecture Centre. From 1989 to 2004 he had a part-time commitment to Harvard University Unit for Housing and Urbanisation and was visiting professor at the Graduate School of Design 1995 and 1998. He was awarded an MBE for services to architecture in 2000.

**Dr David Strong B.Sc. (Hons.), D.Phil. (Oxon.), C.Eng. FCIBSE, FEI**

Dr. David Strong is an internationally recognised expert in sustainable building design and refurbishment. He has a wealth of knowledge associated with the low/zero carbon buildings and is a specialist in whole system thinking, building physics and integrative design.



David has a particular interest in eco-minimalism and bio-mimicry –exploiting and optimising the use of natural systems for heating, cooling, ventilating and illuminating buildings. He also has expertise associated with the integration of renewable energy systems in the built environment, combined heat & power & district heating.

From 1998 to 2007 he was Managing Director of BRE Environment and between 2007 and 2010 Chief Executive of Inbuilt Consulting Ltd. He is currently a Director of David Strong Consulting Ltd. and a Visiting Professor at the University of Nottingham Department of Architecture and Built Environment. He is also a Visiting Professor at the Oxford Institute for Sustainable Development and Chairman of the Energy Efficiency Partnership for Buildings. David was responsible for establishing the UK Green Building Council and was awarded the Building Sustainability Leadership Award in 2007.

**John Pratley**



John is a designer and co-founding partner of sustainableBYdesignLLP, an architecture and design practice born out of the design arm of Inbuilt Ltd sustainability consultants, which he joined as design team leader in 2008.

John has accumulated over 20 years experience creating and delivering sustainable architecture and masterplanning environments on a wide variety of award-winning, exemplar projects: ranging in scale from the 1,500-dwelling Park Central Housing Masterplan, in Birmingham (for TM2 Architects) which won the CABE Building For Life Gold Award, to a refurbishment and extension of an Education & Training Centre in Forest Gate, East London (for Cazenove Architects), which has been published as a DfES Exemplar and BRE Case Study.

At sustainableBYdesign, John has been successfully implementing our Sustainability Knowledge Map 'Eighter' on all projects and contributing to the design and technical performance on our housing, education, masterplanning and refurbishment portfolio - using PHPP energy demand modelling to achieve Passivhaus energy efficiency standards.

sustainableBYdesign have recently been finalists in international competitions for both the Watford & Ravenscraig sites for the BRE Passivhaus Housing Competition in 2012, and are currently working with Hertfordshire firm Willmott Dixon Energy Services on the fabric energy upgrade and internal environmental improvement of six different housing retrofit typologies for Westminster City Council.

### **Peter Studdert**

Peter is a qualified town planner and architect with over 35 years experience in town planning in local government in Inner London and in Cambridge and now runs his own practice offering planning, urban design and enabling services. Peter has previously served as Director of Planning at Cambridge City Council from 1991-2004 where he led work on the growth strategy for the Cambridge Sub-region, as well as leading negotiations on major developments such as the Grand Arcade and the Accordia housing development which won the 2008 RIBA Stirling Prize. In 2004 he moved to Cambridgeshire Horizons as Director for Sustainable Communities where he led a wide range of quality initiatives connected to the Cambridgeshire Growth Strategy.



In 2007 Peter was appointed to the post of Director of Joint Planning for Cambridge's Growth Areas where he managed multi-disciplinary teams drawn from three authorities and led negotiations with developers of the major planned new communities on the southern and north western fringes of Cambridge and at the proposed new town at Northstowe.

### **Get involved with the discussion...**

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