

REWARDING ACHIEVEMENT, CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Gavin Brown MSP (Scottish Conservative Spokesperson on Finance, Employment and Sustainable Growth) presented the National Federation of Roofing Contractors Scottish Roofing Contractor of the Year Awards on 2nd November 2012 at Our Dynamic Earth in Edinburgh to recognise the excellent achievements of Scotland's roofing industry.

The Awards ceremony recognised the best projects across Scotland in all roofing disciplines as well as Safety, Health and Environment and Services to the Community.

NFRC prides itself on its high standards in health and safety and roofing workmanship and holds the annual awards to reward achievements and celebrate the success for the roofing industry. The entries included some breathtaking projects that demonstrated technical excellence as well as aesthetic qualities.

These awards are fundamental in recognising the contribution that the members make to keep NFRC at the top of its field and to reward the hard work that members put in to achieving these standards.

"I have been fortunate to be a judge for the NFRC's Scottish Roofing Contractor of the Year Awards. The judging was a hard process due to the record number of entries and the high standards demonstrated by the roofing industry in Scotland. The skill and expertise that sits in the roofing sector is amazing and bodes well for the future of the roofing industry." said the Chairman of the judges Mr Allyn Pratt.

Gavin Brown MSP said: *"I visited Edinburgh Castle during Scottish Apprenticeship Week to see the roofing demonstration organised by the NFRC and undertaken by apprentices, based in my constituency and working for NFRC member, B & D Roofing & Building*

I spent a considerable amount of time at the castle and was treated to a mini master-class on traditional roof slating practices by the apprentices. It is for the long-term benefit of the industry that NFRC members continue to invest in apprentices and train existing workforces.

It is an honour to be asked to present the NFRC Scottish Roofing Contractor of the Year Awards which "Reward Achievement, Celebrating Success" across all roofing classifications. I am continually told of the financial challenges facing the construction industry and the need to unlock funds. That is why I welcomed the recent National Loan Guarantee Scheme that will help small businesses to access cheaper finance. Chancellor George Osborne has launched the scheme with around £5 billion made available in the first tranche.

Banks participating in the initiative will pass on the entire benefit they receive from the guarantees to smaller businesses across the country through cheaper loans."

The NFRC's Scottish Roofing Contractor of the Year Awards have been made possible through the support of SIG Roofing.

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The winners were as follows:

Roof Slating

Southwest Roofing Services Ltd – Ailsa House

Heritage Roofing (Sponsored by Historic Scotland)

Southwest Roofing Services Ltd – Maryhill Burgh Hall

Roof Tiling

Forster Roofing Services Ltd – Doo'cot Cricket Pavilion, Perth

Roof Sheeting

Lakesmere Ltd – Murray Royal Hospital

Fully Supported Metal

B & D Roofing & Building Ltd – Atholl Crescent, Edinburgh

Vertical Cladding

Curtis Moore (Cladding Systems) Ltd – Strathclyde Fire & Rescue

Reinforced Bituminous Membrane

Briggs Amasco Ltd – St Andrews House, Glasgow

Single Ply

Raynor Roofing Ltd – Dwelling House, Barry, Nr Carnoustie

Liquid Applied Waterproofing

Graham Roofing (Scotland) Ltd – Pollock Police Station

Sustainability

Forster Roofing Services Ltd – Fife Housing

Safety, Health and Environment Award

Weatherproofing Advisors Ltd

Supply Chain Partner of the Year Award

Colin Watt Associates – T Rowat Roofing Ltd

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Notes to Editor:

1. The judging panels were chaired by Allyn Pratt of the NFRC Scottish Region. The panel comprised Ron Jamieson MBE, Iain Robertson and Joanna Parry.
2. Visit the NFRC website (www.nfrc.co.uk) for further information about the Awards.
3. NFRC is the UK's largest roofing trade association representing over 70% of the roofing industry by value. By using a NFRC registered contractor you have the comfort of guaranteed protection and quality.
4. NFRC actively ensures that members offer **high standards** of workmanship and sound business practice through a strict code of practice and independent vetting procedure, including site inspections and adhering to the Government endorsed **TrustMark** standards.
5. Photographs from the award luncheon can be viewed at <http://www.briancassidy.co.uk/nfrc/>
6. High resolution photos can be ordered **free of charge** from Brian Cassidy via email (info@briancassidy.co.uk).