



Sustainability Award

2026 | ICE Northern Ireland

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This pack gives full details of the 2026 ICE NI Sustainability Award.

The Entry Form is contained herein and must be returned with the submission no later than 5pm Thursday 8 October 2026.

Entry Forms and submissions must be emailed or sent via online file transfer service (e.g. WeTransfer) to:

iceni@ice.org.uk

AWARD CRITERIA

Any civil engineering project may be entered for the Award, provided that:

- It demonstrates outstanding environmental sustainability;
- It is located in the geographical area covered by Northern Ireland;
- Projects must have been substantially complete after 31 December 2024, and
- Projects conform to the rules of entry set out in this pack.

The project may be promoted by any sector of the profession, and it may cover:

- studies,
- research,
- development,
- design,
- project management,
- construction,
- maintenance or operation of schemes, or
- any combination of the above.

PRESENTATION OF AWARD

The winner will be announced at the Annual Dinner on 3 December 2026. Each participating company/organisation associated with the successful entry and listed on the entry form will receive a certificate, while the lead company/organisation will also receive the Sustainability Award itself.

PUBLICITY FOR ENTRANTS/WINNERS

Project submissions will be featured on the ICE Northern Ireland webpage and will be featured in a news story for the ICE website and external print media as appropriate. Photographs submitted as part of the application may be used in ICE NI publications. Applications may be used as case studies on the ICE web page.

AWARDS JUDGING

The judging panel will be chaired by a senior member of the profession and the judges will expect to see evidence that each project demonstrates excellence in sustainability. In particular, the Award will be made based upon the following criteria:

- Innovation;
- Community benefit;
- Environmental benefit;
- Economy of materials and labour & the whole life cost of the scheme;
- Value engineering, and
- Health and safety.

RULES OF ENTRY

1. The submission must be made via email with any files too large for email to be sent via online file transfer service (e.g. WeTransfer). Submissions should include the following in PDF format (unless otherwise stated):

- Completed entry form.
- A summary, not exceeding 500 words, comprising a 150-word introduction which describes the project and continues with an explanation of why the project should be deemed as one of excellence. Any special features should be highlighted and attention drawn to aspects considered relevant for assessment;
- A project location plan;
- Maximum of two A3 drawings to illustrate the project, and
- Up to six photographs in high resolution JPG format (no less than 300dpi and measuring at least 10cm x 10cm) which must not be embedded, nor contain any text or dates. The photograph file name should contain a brief description of the photograph.

2. The 150-word introduction will form the basis of the text to be included in a press release featuring the Award Winner following the announcement.

3. All or any of the judges must be allowed reasonable access to inspect the project upon request.

4. ICE membership is not required for entry. Submissions can be made by anyone involved with the scheme (architect, designer, consultant, contractor, client etc).

5. All schemes submitted should have a significant proportion of civil engineering.

6. The judges have absolute discretion to reject any entry which does not comply with the requirements of the rules or withhold any award from any entry - there can be no recourse against them. The judges' decision shall be absolute, final and binding on all entrants.

7. All computer-generated and written material, drawings, plans and photographs submitted as part of an entry shall be the property of the Institution of Civil Engineers. Furthermore, ICE shall have a non-exclusive license to reproduce all such material in such form and medium as ICE may by its absolute discretion deem appropriate.

8. Award winners will be entitled to use the ICE Sustainability Award Winner logo to publicise their success.

9. There is no entry fee.

10. Any submission must be received by ICE Northern Ireland via email or online file transfer by 5pm on Thursday 8 October 2026.

ICE NI SUSTAINABILITY AWARD 2026 ENTRY FORM

Please add in type boxes as required.

(Submission to be received by ICE Northern Ireland via email iceni@ice.org.uk by no later than 5pm on Thursday 8 October 2026)

1. PROJECT DETAILS

Project name:

Location:

Date of (substantial) completion:

2. CONTACT DETAILS - Lead Organisation

Contact name:

Organisation:

Role in project:

Address:

Telephone:

Email:

Signature:

Date:

3. CONTACT DETAILS – Partner Organisations (add boxes if necessary)

Contact name:

Organisation:

Role in project:

Address:

Telephone:

Email:

Contact name:

Organisation:

Role in project:

Address:

Telephone:

Email:

4. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

(a) Project details (not to exceed 500 words and inclusive of a 150-word executive summary)