

Saltire Society Innovation in Housing Awards

### Convener's Statement

It is a great pleasure to launch this year's Call to Entries to the Saltire Society Housing Awards. Our Awards have celebrated Scotland's achievements in housing since 1937. Consequently, during the 2016 Year of Architecture, Innovation and Design, we are delighted that our rich and varied programme continues to celebrate the very best in housing design, development and culture.

We are truly delighted to welcome the prolific broadcaster, journalist and author Kirsty Wark to the role of Annual Guest Chair. We have no doubt that Kirsty's involvement in this year's awards will raise awareness of the role that housing plays in Scottish life and stimulate debate. Kirsty will present this year's Awards and select the winner of the Saltire Medal.

In the context of the 2016 Festival we have initiated a series of new projects and events. These aim to provoke discussion and provide a critical analysis of Scottish housing and the built environment. We are commissioning a series of essays and poetry by contemporary thinkers in a new publication that references Robert Hurd and Alan Reiach's seminal publication 'Building Scotland'. Our Panel is also progressing a 'Test of Time' project that involves mapping and reviewing all previous Award Winners to assess housing patterns and celebrate longevity. Finally, we will host a discussion between our former Guest Chairs on the role of housing in Scottish society at our Awards Ceremony in June.

We are also delighted to have continued endorsement from the Scottish Government for the 'Innovation in Housing' award, which celebrates original thinking and imagination within Scottish housing.

Our committed, diverse and experienced Panel continues to go from strength to strength. This year we are delighted to welcome Helen Lucas of Helen Lucas Architects, Tamsin Cunningham of WT Architecture, John Brennan of ECA and Steven Tolson of CDLH (former Chair of RCIS Scotland) onto the Panel.

We invite you to submit projects you have commissioned, designed and/or built and look forward to receiving a wide variety of entries for Multiple Housing Developments, Single Dwellings, Alterations/Extensions, Innovation in Housing and Landscape in Housing. Please refer to our website, www.saltirehousingdesignawards.com for further information about the Saltire Society, the award process and our Panel.

We look forward to viewing your entries in March, taking part in our tour of shortlisted projects in May and celebrating all those involved at the Awards Ceremony in August. We hope you can join us in celebrating the very best in Scottish Housing and actively take part in our up-coming 2016 events and discussions.

### **Key Dates**

**Call for Entries** February 2016

**Deadline for submissions 14th March** 

**Shortlist Announced May 2016** 

Awards Ceremony 30 June ECCI edinburgh

Saltire Celebrates 30 November 2016 Oran Mor Glasgow

### About the Award

The Saltire Society Innovation in Housing Awards, now in its fifth year, is all about celebrating that pioneering spirit. It is intended to complement the Scottish Government's vision for their future housing policy to encourage innovative and original projects and ideas, which will promote debate and possible implementation.

Submissions are open to include a range of companies and organisations, which are involved in a truly innovative project, products or research outputs, including public and private sector bodies, housing associations, local authorities, universities, housing research organisations and self-builders.

Housing rapidly has to adapt to the global changes of the twenty first century. These include the transformation of the family and the rise of the non-traditional household, affordable housing, new typologies for living, and concerns over health & wellbeing, climate change and the depletion of natural resources.

The Saltire Society is looking for submissions that are 'a leading light in the housing sector'. We look forward receiving your application, if you have been involved in innovative solutions that contribute to any of the following criteria:

- Offering new approaches to the delivery, including off-site construction methods;
- Making improvements to the procurement, funding and delivery processes;
- Using new technology, products and materials to deliver significant carbon reductions;
- Overcoming constraints, and improving process, performance and efficiency;
- Improving design quality, and performance standards for both new and existing housing stock, and
- Dealing with, social isolation, fuel poverty and place-making

The list here is not exhaustive and applications will be judged on their overall merit and potential impact in improving housing quality in Scotland.

### **Past Innovation in Housing Award Winners**

### R.House, Isle of Skye

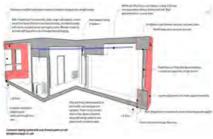




A good example of a new and innovative approach to housing, using local labour, materials and pre fabrication facilities on the Isle of Skye to stimulate the local economy.

Precision assembly ensures that the houses will have the highest quality of finish and a significantly reduced construction time, resulting in lower costs. But remaining at the very core of the proposal is the high quality design of three flexible house types fine tuned for the Highland landscape to provide elegant, affordable and highly efficient homes for their owners.

### PassivTEN, Glasgow





This project investigated the implication of three different low energy standards (Bronze, Silver and Gold), including their technical, and cost constraints.

The innovation includes advances in both process and product, and in their social and technological features.

The project offers a real potential to eliminate fuel poverty and related health issues in tenements, as well as identifying the 'cost and benefit' for the occupant.

### The Resonance Funding Project









Throughout 2010, Springfield Property Fund, Rettie & Co, Dunedin Canmore Group and build contractor Springfield Properties worked in partnership on the delivery of Moray Apartments; the first affordable housing financed using the innovative Rettie Resonance® funding model. The pilot project for the Resonance® funding model provided much needed affordable accommodation and by kick-starting a mothballed construction site. It created jobs and supported the local economy in an example of a public / private sector partnership innovating in a cost effective and practical manner.

### Submission Criteria

- **1.** Entrants should submit a supporting design, research report, report or product to accompany Entry Forms 1 and 2.
- 2. Entrants may submit projects for the Innovation in Housing Award alone.
- **3.** Any submission to the Innovation in Housing Award can also be submitted to the Saltire Society Housing Awards.
- **4.** The Judges may shortlist, recognise and reward a project within the Saltire Society Housing Awards that was not originally submitted to the Innovation in the Housing Awards.
- **5.** The Innovation in Housing Award recipient will not be considered for the Saltire Society Housing Awards Saltire Medal.
- **6.** Submitted projects must be in/developed in Scotland.
- 7. Projects must have been underway between 01.01.14 and 31.03.16.
- **8.** The Judging Panel will consider projects that are partially complete or in progess; this is intended for projects or bodies of work that are still in a particular stage of development, testing or research.
- **9.** Where relevant, submissions should comply with all statutory consents applicable to their nature, scope and intention. Entries found to be in violation of this criteria will not be considered.

### How to Enter

Entrants should fill in and return the following documents:

- Entry Form 1 (Project Details)
- Entry Form 2 (Project Team)
- A supporting design, research report, report or product (max. 5mB pdf)

Entry forms 1 and 2 contain clear instructions as to what content the Society requires in order to properly assess submissions.

These documents can also be accessed from saltire@saltiresociety.org.uk

### **Entry Fees**

For single entry: £75

For all additional submissions: £25 (by same entrant)

### The Awards

The Innovation in Housing Award winner will receive a cash prize of £1500 and award plaque distinguishing this award.

Commended entries will receive an illuminated diploma.

For further information on the awards; The Saltire Society; Housing Panel members; and details/images of past winners and commendees please visit:

### www.saltiresociety.org.uk

We are striving to make the submission process as straightforward and non-time consuming as possible, and are always looking for feedback on how it can be further improved.

Please contact <u>saltire@saltiresociety.org.uk</u> if you have any suggestions/questions about the submission process.

**Note 1:** We would ask award winners to speak about their work at the event, 'Saltire Celebrates' that brings all of our award winners together on 3 December 2016

**Note 2:** The Saltire Society may wish to retain all entry material for record, publication or exhibition purposes, including posting on the Society's website. Entrants should make themselves and their team aware that, by way of entry, they give their consent to this requirement and sign the Entry Form accordingly.

Details and images of all entries will be posted on the Society's website and contribute to forming an archive of housing in Scotland.

The Society cannot enter into correspondence about the results.



# Entry Form 1

| Please complete the information below, in the space provided, to accompany Entry Form 2, Project Team, and the completed, image-based, PowerPoint presentation. |
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| PROJECT DETAILS   |
| Project Title   |
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| Submitting organisation   |
| Context   |
| If other please specify here  |
| Brief Summary of Project (50-100 words)   |
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Briefly describe the innovation within your submission (max. 300 words)



# Entry Form 2

| In the event of your project gaining an Award or Commendation, the wording for the illuminated diploma will be taken directly from this information, so please ensure that all details are full and accurate. |  |
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| Please TYPE or use BLOCK CAPITALS to complete the information on this form.   |  |
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Entry fees can be paid at:

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Or by cheque (made payable to: The Saltire Society)

Or you can request an invoice from the Society.

