# MUNICIPAL YEAR 2008/09 REPORT NO. 31

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	SUBJECT -	
CONSERVATION ADVISORY GROUP 14 <sup>TH</sup> May 2008	ENFIELD DESIGN AWARDS 2007	
PLANNING 26 <sup>TH</sup> June 2008	WARDS: ALL	
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**REPORT OF:** 

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#### 1. <u>SUMMARY</u>

1.1 The report is for Members' information and is a review of the Enfield Design Awards (EDA) 2007. The awards were organised and promoted by the Conservation Advisory Group (CAG) and facilitated by the Council's planning staff. The event was sponsored by The Enfield Society and supported by the Enfield Gazette who publicised the awards. The next EDA is proposed for 2009.

### 2. <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>

2.1 That the review of the Enfield Design Awards 2007 be noted and the proposals for the Enfield Design Awards 2009 be noted.

## 3. BACKGROUND

3.1 The Enfield Design Awards (EDA) is a biennial scheme promoted by the CAG in partnership with the Council. The Scheme encourages a wider awareness of good design in the built environment and the positive impact it can have on everybody's life.

3.2 The scheme was delivered working closely with community partners such as The Enfield Society, who sponsored the 2007 Awards. The EDA continues to be supported by the Enfield Gazette who, along with the Council's own publications, spread awareness of the Awards to a borough wide audience. 3.3 The EDA 2007 was the third time the scheme has been run by the Council and the quality of the entries and the growing support that the event has attracted has clearly shown the success of the scheme.

3.4 The Awards were open to any scheme completed between 2005 and 2007, visible to the public and located anywhere in the borough. Nomination forms were made available through the press and on the Enfield Council website. The EDA team also had a stand at the Enfield Town Show in Autumn 2006 to encourage people to nominate the borough's best new building.

The entry criteria embraced most of the building types found in the borough. The Award categories for 2007 were: -

- New Residential Development
- Commercial development,
- Community Building or Project
- Listed Building or heritage project

3.6 This year 31 entries were received in respect of the four Award categories. The EDA Sub Group short-listed fourteen schemes, which were visited by the judging panel in December 2007.

3.7 The judging panel reflected a wide range of opinion, age and skill. The judges for 2007 were :-

- Wendy Taylor, CBE Artist
- Dennis Stacey, Chairman of Conservation Advisory Group
- Paul Campbell Urban Designer, Design for London
- Councillor Tony Dey, Council Member Borough Heritage Champion
- Jon Finney, Past Chairman London Branch Institute of Historic Building Conservation, Chairman - London and Middlesex Archaeological Society
- Leon Bicknell, Architect Bicknell Associates

3.8 The entries were assessed on design theme, visual quality, impact and contribution to Enfield's built environment. In total the panel awarded three winners, four highly commended and six commendations across the categories. An additional award, the Chairman's Commendation was given in recognition of a special project not fitting into a main category. Appendix 1 sets out details of the category winners and a list of all those schemes that received an award.

### 4. <u>AWARDS CEREMONY</u>

4.1 The Awards were presented by the Mayor of the London Borough of Enfield at a special awards ceremony held at the Civic Centre on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2008. There were over 110 guests in attendance. An exhibition of all the

short listed entries was displayed. A number of new features were introduced to the Awards this year, such as a keynote presentation by Paul Campbell of Design for London, thereby strengthening the borough's links with other regional design organisations. Dennis Stacey the Chairman of the Conservation Advisory Group hosted the occasion and the Mayor, Councillor Don Delman presented the awards.

### 5. <u>BUDGET</u>

5.1 The budget for the Enfield Design Awards 2007 was  $\pounds4,000$  and was met from existing resources. In addition  $\pounds1,500$  sponsorship was secured from the Enfield Society which helped meet the increased costs of products and services and the growth and enhancement of the Awards scheme as a tool in encouraging everyone involved in development in Enfield to strive for design excellence.

5.2 The main areas of expenditure were: -

- Stationery (e.g. judges packs, award certificates, promotional leaflets)
- Judging Day (e.g. transportation)
- Winners Plaques
- Exhibition
- Equipment hire
- Awards ceremony (e.g. catering)
- Awards Brochure

5.3 Costs have been kept to a minimum by considerable input from the voluntary sector, the use of Planning staff and in house services and compared to our research of budgets for such events in other boroughs we believe, reflects good value for money.

### **Background Papers**

File PL43 Enfield Design Awards

# **APPENDIX 1**

# New residential development

- Winner 1-39 Pellipar Close, N13 (sheltered accommodation)
- Highly Commended Edmonton Green, N9 (mixed development)
- Commended Zest, 432-434 Church Street, N9 (private development of flats)
- Commended 2B Barrowell Green, N21 (private development of flats).

# Commercial Development

• Winner – Myddelton House (Abercrombie Building), Bulls Cross (office)

# Community building or project

- Winner Lea valley High School, Bullsmoor Lane, Enfield
- Highly Commended Bus terminus, Edmonton Green, N9
- Commended Civic Facilities building, Cecil Road, Enfield
- Commended St George's Car Park, Edmonton Green.

# Listed building or heritage project

- Highly commended Myddelton House, Bulls Cross (disabled access and restoration of gates and railings)
- Highly Commended Whitewebbs Transport Museum, Whitewebbs Road
- Commended Borough fingerposts (restoration)
- Commended 387-405 Fore Street, N9 (Heritage Economic Regeneration Scheme)

# Chairman's Commendation

The Word Wall, Palace Exchange, Enfield.