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# Horizon Construction receives RoSPA Health and Safety Award for second consecutive year

For the second consecutive year, the team at Horizon Construction, with its head office in Colchester, have achieved an internationally recognised award for demonstrating high health and safety standards in construction. Organisations receiving a prestigious RoSPA (“The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents”) Award are recognised as being world-leaders in health and safety practice.

Horizon Construction was amongst nearly 2,000 entrants from 46 countries to be assessed for an accolade in the UK’s longest-running H&S industry awards scheme. The accreditation of an Award demonstrates that standards ensure the safety of staff, so they return safely to their families at the end of every working day. Horizon Construction received a RoSPA “Silver” Award.

All organisations which are accredited with an Award are committed to raising standards and setting new safety benchmarks for organisations across the world. The scheme involves a continuous programme of improvements in practices to achieve higher grades and recognition in subsequent years.

Managing Director at Horizon Construction, Phil Holding, said: “We are extremely proud of achieving a RoSPA Award for the second year running. The challenges of the pandemic over the last 16 months allowed us to concentrate on further enhancements to our operations, practices to safeguard our staff and deliver much-needed confidence to our clients through high-quality services. This achievement does not happen without a lot of hard work, enthusiasm and commitment from a group of focused individuals in our team to identify and deliver improvements. I would personally like to thank all those involved.”

Mr Holding continues: “We are delighted to be part of a vibrant awards community, where we will be actively involved in promoting best practice. We also look forward to delivering our commitment to the awards scheme to further raise health and safety standards.”

For more information about Horizon Construction visit <https://hcggroup.uk> and for RoSPA visit <https://rospa.com>.

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## Notes for editor

- Awards photo: <https://hcgrouppk/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Horizon-Construction-RoSPA-Award-Winner.jpg> (Copyright is owned by Horizon Construction.)
- RoSPA Award was accredited to “Horizon Construction (East Anglia) Ltd” – the head office and an organisation within the Horizon Construction Group.
- Julia Small, RoSPA’s achievements director, said: “The RoSPA Awards scheme is the longest-running of its kind in the UK, but it receives entries from organisations across the globe, making it one of the most sought-after achievement awards for health and safety worldwide.
- Julia Small continues: “RoSPA is very proud of the achievements of its entrants, and with this award we recognise the best of the best, those organisations that have gone the extra mile, raising the bar for the delivery of safety in the workplace. Employees, wherever they may be should be able to go to work safe in the knowledge that they will return home unharmed and healthy at the end of every day. Our RoSPA Award winners are central to achieving this goal. By entering they are driving up standards and setting new safety benchmarks for organisations across the world. Currently, around 7million people are directly impacted by the RoSPA Awards, but the scheme’s global influence is even wider – with nearly 2000 organisations from 46 countries represented this year. I would also particularly want to thank our main sponsor NEBOSH, the National Examination Board in Occupational Safety and Health – for their continued support for the 16th consecutive year.”
- The majority of awards are non-competitive and mark achievement at merit, bronze, silver and gold levels. Gold medals, president’s awards, orders of distinction and the Patron’s Award are presented to organisations sustaining the high standards of the gold level over consecutive years.
- Competitive awards go to the best entries in 31 industry sectors including construction, healthcare, transport and logistics, engineering, manufacturing and education.
- There are specialist awards for health at work, environmental management, safety delivered outside of the workplace, and fleet safety, and excellence trophies for the best international organisation, new entry, workforce involvement, leisure organisation, and organisation operating or based in Scotland. RoSPA’s top accolade is the Sir George Earle Trophy.

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