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Solent Design Awards 2014

The first Solent Design Awards in 2010 were held to celebrate what good building design can add to the community; the schemes entered were judged in terms of the quality they added to their location and well as building design. In the current difficult economic climate, good design matters more than ever, adding value without increasing costs.

Nominations for the third Solent Design Awards are now open. The third biennial Solent Design Awards are once again looking for stunning buildings, places or spaces across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight which have inspired, excited or uplifted their communities. Organised by the Partnership for Urban South Hampshire (PUSH), the Awards aims to encourage quality place-making schemes which create special places and spaces in which people want to live and work, and which add a special something to our ordinary daily lives.

Councillor Sean Woodward, PUSH Chairman, says: "It's not just iconic buildings and spaces that we're looking for. Our 2012 winners included Forest Park School in Totton, Sunfield Close in Andover and the Sea City Museum in Southampton. Our judges will be looking for buildings or places of outstanding design standards, which have a positive impact on their surrounding communities."

As in previous years, the competition invites submissions in a number of categories by designers across Hampshire. There will be a Quality Places Award for the best scheme, a new Best Urban Design Award, sponsored by the Urban Design Group, and a People's Choice Award which will be chosen by the scheme voted top by the public. Any building or development completed after 31st March 2012 is eligible and can be anything, from a public or commercial building to a housing development or street scene improvement scheme. These can be nominated by architects, contractors, clients or local authorities

For full details on how to enter the Solent Design Awards competition, please visit www.solentdesignawards.org.uk Please submit your entry by 4.00 pm on 30th September 2014. The shortlist will be published on 8th October 2014, with the Public Vote beginning on 13th October 2014 and closing on 3rd November 2014 in time for the Grand Awards Ceremony on the Mary Rose on the 20th November 2014.

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1. PUSH is a partnership of twelve local authorities including unitary authorities of Portsmouth, Southampton and the Isle of Wight; Hampshire County Council and the district authorities of Eastleigh, East Hampshire, Fareham, Gosport, Havant, New Forest, Test Valley and Winchester.
2. PUSH in collaboration with local partners and government agencies continues to work to deliver sustainable, economic-led growth and regeneration to create a more prosperous, attractive and sustainable South Hampshire, which offers a better quality of life for all who live, work and spend their leisure time in the sub region.

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