



Healthy City Design AWARDS 2025

Submission statement criteria

Prior to preparing your online submission, please see below the specific criteria you will be required to respond to when entering. Please be sure that you prepare your submission against the correct criteria for the award category you are entering.

Built and concept projects or research programmes completed between 1 January 2022 and 1 October 2025 are eligible to enter. Projects may be entered into multiple categories, provided they are tailored to meet the specific requirements for the judging criteria of each award, but may not be re-entered in the same category in subsequent years.

Awards criteria for categories:

- > Healthy homes and neighbourhoods
- > Healthy social infrastructure
- > Healthy city planning and design
- > Healthy placemaking for community impact
- > Healthy workplaces
- > Healthy transport and mobility
- > Regenerative design for the public realm

Project summary

Describe the purpose of the project; the strategic vision; key elements of the brief; summary of the rationale of the design/planning solution. (250 words)

Context and background

Describe the local circumstances which gave rise to the project, including details of wider national or regional context, the urban environment, local demographics, and the health and well-being status of the local population. (250 words)

Innovation in design for health, equity and well-being

Describe the innovative design elements of the project/scheme, focusing on how they relate to health and wellbeing needs, address the wider determinants of health and advance health equity and how these elements were implemented. (250 words)

Sustainable development

Provide clear evidence of attention to the principles of sustainable development (human, social, financial and environmental sustainability), including adaptability/flexibility, energy and materials use, and planetary health. (250 words)

Translatability / Replicability

Describe the potential for widespread adoption of the key aspects of the project/scheme and its design model and features, demonstrating replicability in its design and planning strategy, as well as in its use of materials, construction methods, energy use and procurement. (250 words)

Community / partner co-design and co-production

Provide clear evidence of involvement of key stakeholders, which may include the community, public and private sector agencies, local, regional or national government, NGOs, professional associations and citizen representatives, in effective co-design and co-production of the project or scheme. (250 words)

You are allowed 1500 words in total for the submission.

Awards criteria for category:

- > Design research for healthy cities

To enter this category, you are required to submit the written paper using the online form. There is no requirement for this category to complete one of the criteria-based submission forms.

To be eligible, you are required to submit your full paper, including references in PDF format. Recommended word count is maximum 5000 words.

For information on the submission
process and rules of entry, view here:
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