



Outstanding Team Award Criteria 2026

This category recognises a team that has delivered a significant improvement to health, wellbeing and the environment during the period 1 January 2025 to 10 May 2026. Projects do not need to have ended, though judges will place particular emphasis on the measurement and evaluation of outcomes.

Who should enter

The nominator must be a CIEH member. At least one member of the team must also be a CIEH member. Self-nominations are permitted, and multiple entries may be submitted. Previous winners may enter again with a new project.

What to submit

1. Overarching summary (max 100 words)

Provide a concise overview of the team's achievements. This may be used in shortlisting and event materials.

2. Project details (up to 800 words)

- Team size and areas of control.
- Department achievements within the eligibility period.
- A key challenge overcome and how it shaped future practice.
- Flagship project or initiative with demonstrable impact, covering:
 - Brief and objectives
 - Rationale, including research and planning
 - Strategy and approach
 - Implementation
 - Measurement and evaluation
 - Budget and cost-effectiveness

Supporting documentation

Supporting evidence is encouraged but must be relevant and concise. A maximum of four attachments will be accepted (e.g., photos, testimonials, data charts, videos).

How entries will be judged

- Impact achieved, demonstrated through clear evidence.
- Clarity of objectives, rationale, and planning.
- Strength of delivery, including collaboration and innovation.
- Measurement and evaluation, with weight given to robust evaluation.
- Cost-effectiveness and legacy.