

# The News Business Excellence Awards 2009 Nominees

## Business of the Year:



Award sponsored by Portsmouth's Property Association

Recognising outstanding overall performance by a firm in The News circulation area

Nominees:

- Amdale
- BAE Systems Surface Ships
- Business Phones Direct
- Gunwharf Quays
- Harrington Homes
- Key2 Group
- Lucketts Travel
- Nevada Music
- Paper Mountain
- Taylor Made Computer Solutions
- Trafalgar Wharf
- Venkman Industries College
- Pat McLarry, Yately industries for the Disabled

## Small Business of the Year:



Award sponsored by University of Portsmouth

Rewarding achievement in smaller firms, with staff of just 15 or less

Nominees:

- Award Health and Safety
- Dryad Maritime Intelligence Services
- Finishing Touches
- Hantswight Searches
- Grech and Grech
- In2Events
- Let's Go for Growth
- Old School Kitchen Company
- Smart CCTV
- Syn Star
- Utility Watch
- The Wheel Specialist

## Business Personality of the Year:



Award sponsored by CW Fellowes

For individuals who have driven forward their business through inspired leadership

Nominees:

- Albert Choi, Chex Choi / Noble House
- Nick Courtney, Sweet Memories Records
- Frank Dixie, PSP
- Terry Higgins, TJ Group
- Rhoda Joseph, Cascades Shopping Centre
- Mike Keating
- Key2 Group
- Stella Mbubaegbu, Highbury College

### **Achiever of the Year:**



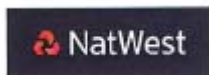
Award sponsored by Blake Laphorn

For those who have made an outstanding individual contribution to their business

Nominees:

- Sue Ball, Verisona
- Jennie Brent, Beneficial Foundation
- Stephen Brownlie, Portsmouth Technopole
- Donna Grech, Grech and Grech
- Mike Keating, Key2 Group
- Neil Lockton, Hampshire Flag Company
- Cath Longhurst, Education Business Partnership
- Chris Ward, Award Health and Safety

### **Team of the Year:**



Award sponsored by Natwest

Rewarding a team of three plus which has shown skill and initiative in pushing the business forward

Nominees:

- BAE Systems Surface Ships
- Education Business Partnership
- GTMS
- The Portsmouth and South East Hampshire Partnership
- Langdale Nursing Home
- Newnet
- Q Hair and Beauty
- Trafalgar Wharf

### **Community Contribution of the Year:**



Award sponsored by EADS Astrium

Acknowledging those businesses which have made a positive impact on the wider community

Nominees:

- 1000 Lakeside North Harbour
- Basepoint Business Centre
- Highbury College
- Gosport Discovery Centre
- Gosport Ferry
- The Portsmouth and South East Hampshire Partnership
- Trafalgar Wharf
- Uniworld

## Exporter of the Year:



Award sponsored by Waste & Recycling Ltd

Recognising firms which have grown through focusing on export markets

Nominees:

- Apollo Fire Detectors
- Bladez Toys
- Chemring Marine
- EADS Astrium
- Fortek
- Key2 Group
- McMurdo
- Straightpoint

## Innovation of the Year:



Award sponsored by Hampshire County Council

Rewarding firms which have brought creative and inventive products or processes to life

Nominees:

- Amdale
- Bladez Toys
- Boarhunt
- Burgess Marine
- Captec
- Fuizion
- ISD Computer Services
- McMurdo

## **Lifetime Achievement Award**

Award sponsored by Coffin mew LLP

This award was not open for nomination. Instead, The New's panel of judges selected one high-flier in the region. But the winner will be kept secret until the night itself.