



**SURF**  
Scotland's Independent Regeneration Network

## Infrastructure and Social Benefits



# The SURF Awards for Best Practice in Community Regeneration 2013

## Application Form: Infrastructure and Social Benefits

Organised by SURF in partnership with the  
Scottish Government

[www.scotregen.co.uk](http://www.scotregen.co.uk)



# Infrastructure and Social Benefits

This is an application form to the 2013 SURF Awards in the Infrastructure and Social Benefits category.

For more information on the SURF Awards, including criteria for the other four categories, please download the information paper at the following link:

<http://www.scotregen.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/06/Awards-information.pdf>

## About the Application Process

We know that those involved in regeneration at all levels are very busy, so the SURF Awards application form and process is designed to be as brief and clear as possible.

Projects can be nominated for a SURF Award by email, post or fax. Applications can either be self-nominated or by a third party.

Projects are only allowed to enter in one category in any given year.

The judges will wish to visit at least three short-listed projects in each category before deciding upon an overall winner. The category winners will be announced at a celebratory awards dinner in Glasgow on the evening of Wednesday 4 December 2013.

While we will welcome and acknowledge all applications, due to the number of entries we receive and the limited resources available, we regret that we are not able to provide feedback on projects that are not shortlisted.

## How to Apply

SURF Award applications should comprise only a single completed application form for the selected category.

Responses to the category criteria will be the only information that the independent SURF Awards judging panel will use in making their assessments.

Please do not supply any other materials or information as this will not be made available to the judges for consideration.

To submit an application in the Town Centre Regeneration category, please complete the information on the following pages of this application form and return it to SURF before the closing date.

This application form is also available in Microsoft Word format for electronic completion. You can also request a hard copy by contacting the SURF staff team on the details below.

MS-Word format: <http://www.scotregen.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/06/Awards-infrastructure.doc>

Completed application forms can be submitted by post, fax or email:

- EMAIL – [info@scotregen.co.uk](mailto:info@scotregen.co.uk)
- POST – SURF, Orkney Street Enterprise Centre, 18-20 Orkney Street, Glasgow G51 2BX
- FAX – 0141 583 4151

The closing date for applications to the 2013 SURF Awards is 2pm on **Monday 19 August 2013**.

Applicants should receive an acknowledgement of entry by email within 48 hours of the closing date. If you do not, please contact SURF on the below number by no later than one week after the closing date.

For any queries about the application process for the 2013 SURF Awards, please call Derek Rankine at the SURF office on 0141 585 6879 or send an email to [derek@scotregen.co.uk](mailto:derek@scotregen.co.uk).

# Infrastructure and Social Benefits

The 2013 SURF Award for Best Practice in Delivering Social Benefits from Investments in Infrastructure

**Context** – Both the UK and Scottish Governments have placed a strong emphasis on increasing investments in infrastructure projects to improve economic prospects and achieve social benefits such as increased employment and more accessible services, places and related opportunities.

**Purpose** – To reward best practice in achieving community regeneration outcomes from investments in infrastructure. This award will be presented to a project that demonstrates substantial added value in accruing social benefits from an infrastructure development activity.

**Criteria** – Entries will be expected to demonstrate:

## NEED

- The demand for the project and the appropriateness of the response

## ENGAGEMENT

- Substantial and productive community engagement in the planning process

## COOPERATION

- Effective partnership collaboration in producing a practical strategy

## OUTCOMES

- Evidence of practical and substantial community regeneration outcomes for the area(s) and/or target community(ies)

## SUSTAINABILITY

- A realistic plan for sustaining the aims of the project and ensuring its legacy

A 2013 SURF Awards application form for the Infrastructure and Social Benefits category is available at the following link:

<http://www.scotregen.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/06/Awards-infrastructure.pdf>





Project Information Page

Project Title:

Project Outline: Please provide a brief overview of your project (up to 200 words):

Main contact for the nominated project

Name:

Position / role:

Organisation:

Address:

Postcode:

Tel:

Email:

Nominated by (if different from main contact)

Name:

Position / role:

Organisation:

Address:

Postcode:

Tel:

Email:

I confirm that I am submitting this application to the Infrastructure and Social Benefits category of the 2013 SURF Awards for Best Practice in Community Regeneration.

# Infrastructure and Social Benefits

The 2013 SURF Award for Best Practice in Delivering Social Benefits from Investments in Infrastructure

**NEED:** The demand for the project and the appropriateness of the response (Up to 300 words):

**ENGAGEMENT:** Substantial and productive community engagement in the planning process (Up to 300 words):

# Infrastructure and Social Benefits

The 2013 SURF Award for Best Practice in Delivering Social Benefits from Investments in Infrastructure

**COOPERATION:** Effective partnership collaboration in producing a practical strategy (Up to 300 words):

**OUTCOMES:** Evidence of practical and substantial community regeneration outcomes for the area(s) and/or target community(ies) (Up to 300 words):

# Infrastructure and Social Benefits

The 2013 SURF Award for Best Practice in Delivering Social Benefits from Investments in Infrastructure

**SUSTAINABILITY:** A realistic plan for sustaining the aims of the project and ensuring its legacy  
(Up to 300 words):



**WHO ENTERS THE SURF AWARDS PROCESS AND WHY?  
A SURF AWARDS 2013 MONITORING FORM**

SURF, and the Scottish Government, who sponsor the SURF Awards, want to understand a bit more about what sort of projects are being reached in efforts to encourage entries.

We would be grateful if you could take just a few minutes to answer the questions below and simply return it to us with your SURF Awards 2013 entry application form. This information could help SURF secure continued support for the SURF Awards and further improve the application process.

*N.B. The completed monitoring forms will not be seen by the judging panel and will form no part of the selection process. They are purely for gathering general information.*

**1) Marketing-** How did you find out about the SURF Awards?

Please tick

- From the SURF website/e-bulletin
- From the Scottish Government website/e-bulletin
- From another newsletter/website/e-bulletin
- Social media (Twitter, Facebook etc.)
- Word of mouth
- Have applied previously
- Other - please specify:

**2) Motivation-** What is the main motivation for applying?

Please rank from 1-4, where 1=most important and 4=least important:

Enter a '1' next to your first choice, '2' next to the second choice, and so on.

- To spread awareness of the work being done
- To gather political support for the project
- To help secure future funding
- To give the staff and volunteers a morale boost
- Other - please specify:

**3) Membership-** Is the nominating organisation currently a SURF member? *N.B. this has no effect on the outcome of your application.*

Please delete as appropriate:

**YES / NO**



**4) Geographical scope of the project**

Please tick

- Immediate neighbourhood (up to 5k population)
- Local area (up to 10K population)
- Town/Citywide
- Regional
- National

**5) Target groups**

Which of the following groups of people are intended to benefit most from the work of the project?

Please tick all of the options that apply

- Children
- Young people
- Older people
- Disabled people
- People from ethnic minority groups
- All local residents

**6) Sector**

Which of the following is closest to describing the applicant organisation?

Please tick

- A community group
- A voluntary organisation
- A public sector organisation
- An academic organisation
- A private sector organisation

If none of the above fit, even in general terms, please say how you would categorise it here:

**Resources**

**7) What is the current financial turnover of the project you are nominating?**

Please tick

- Less than £3000
- £3000 - £10K
- £10k – 50k
- £50K – 250K
- More than £250K

**8) How many paid staff, as full time equivalent positions, are employed to work on the project being nominated?**

Please tick

- None
- 0.5 to 3
- 4 to 8
- 9 or more

**9) How many volunteers are involved in managing the project? Enter number:**  
and how many in the delivery of the project's work? Enter number:

**Thank you very much for taking the time to complete this form. The form will be removed from the rest of your application before it is passed to members of the independent judging panel.**