

REINVENTING THE CAR PARK

THE REFURBISHMENT AWARD

ENTRY CRITERIA

This year the Best Refurbishment category has been enhanced to recognize projects which not only renovate but truly transform car parks. Such projects will be ones which will create more than clean, bright, well signed, safe and structurally sound facilities. The judges will be looking for renovations and re-designs which create attractive, vibrant and aesthetically striking gateways to a destinations such as town centres, airports, rail stations, retail developments and leisure facilities. To qualify the project must have been completed after 1 July 2008.

The award is open to local authorities, private operators and key contractors, working separately or together to produce an outstanding refurbishment of an existing parking facility. Refurbished car parks may be multi-storey, underground or surface, or a mixture. Entries in this category will also be eligible for consideration in the APCOA Living Streets Award.

THE CRITERIA:

- > The extent to which the refurbishment was comprehensive
- > The objectives of the refurbishment
- > The extent to which these objectives have been met
- > Nature of the structural defects tackled
- > Efficiency of project management and minimisation of time out of service
- > Innovation in methods used
- > Overall quality of refurbishment and visual appeal
- > Arrangements for maintenance

Where appropriate the following areas should be addressed and supporting material provided:

- > Has the scheme resulted in effectively resolved structural and mechanical problems?
- > Has it had a positive effect on the environment?
- > What local regeneration benefits have been achieved?
- > Does the overall scheme make best use of the resources and the finances available?
- > What payment systems and enforcement regimes have been introduced?
- > Have revenue/usage expectations been met or exceeded?
- > Does the scheme provide suitable and adequate facilities for all categories of user – disabled, motorcyclists, pedestrians etc?
- > What are the facilities and working conditions for staff?
- > What security services does the facility provide?
- > What are the signage arrangements, both internally and externally, for drivers and pedestrians?
- > How does the facility now better integrate with the immediate local area?
- > To what extent have traffic management objectives been met?
- > Has the facility obtained Safer Parking status?
- > What other awards has the car park obtained?

HOW TO ENTER

- > Entry is free. Please read the instructions and decide which awards you are going to enter by considering the detailed award criteria
- > Download and complete the entry form (www.britishparkingawards.co.uk). If you are submitting your entry for multiple categories please fill in a separate entry form for each additional category.
- > Assemble photographs and any additional material.
- > Entries should be concise and written elements should be on A4 paper. Please provide at least one unbound copy of your entry.
- > Send your completed entry form and entry material to: **British Parking Awards 2010, Parking Review, Apollo House, 359 Kennington Lane, London SE11 5QY**