Awards target best of the best in Mid and East Lothian

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Around 500 attended last year's awards at Brunton, Musselburgh,. Picture by Nigel Duncan Media

Nominations are now open for the Midlothian and East Lothian Chamber of Commerce (MELCC) business awards. The closing date is Monday 31 July 2017 and the awards recognise the best of the best. You can enter the awards <u>here</u>.

They also celebrate businesses which set the standard of excellence in our community. George Archibald, chief executive of MELCC, said awards are open to all businesses, whether they are a Chamber member or not.

The categories for this year's awards are High Growth Business of the Year, Business Innovation of the Year, Environmental Impact, Commitment to Students and Graduate Engagement, Commitment to Youth Development, Business Ambassador of the Year, Excellence in Customer Service, Business Start Up of the Year, SME of the Year and the Community Impact Award.

Mr Archibald said: "The closing date is Monday, July 31 and more information and an application download is available on the Chamber <u>website</u>."

The winners will be announced at the Business Exhibition and Awards Dinner on Thursday, October 26 at the Brunton in Musselburgh.

Mr Archibald added: "As well as entertainment and great food, the Business Awards are ultimately a recognition of businesses across the region which have pioneered new concepts and innovation, excelled in commercial enterprise or distinguished themselves with their attitude to workforce development."