

Winners of the Institute of Directors annual awards announced

The results of the annual Director of the Year Awards was announced at the Edinburgh International Conference Centre on Thursday evening.

The CEO of Edinburgh Dog and Cat Home was among the winners of the awards sponsored by Turcan Connell, Zero Waste Scotland, Wheatley Group, SCVO, Scottish Government, Insights, Prosperity and transACT Technology Solutions.

Lindsay Fyffe-Jardine, CEO at Edinburgh Dog and Cat Home took the award for Director of the Year 2023 in the Third Sector. She won the award in part for her determination to implement a vision which recognised that when a pet is in crisis, there is often a person in crisis, including establishing outreach support programmes such as pet foodbanks. Judges also commented she not only showed excellent leadership within her own organisation but showed “leadership across the third sector in addressing key strategic issues.”

Catherine McWilliam, Nations Director at the Institute of Directors Scotland, said: “It has been a real privilege tonight to celebrate the leaders who are examples of the very best from Scotland’s boardrooms.

“Over the last few years, the Scottish business landscape has been tumultuous to say the least, and while we hope to see

some stability ahead, there will always be challenges to face. An authentic, driven and focused leader is vital in navigating an organisation through difficult times, as well as motivating staff and driving strategic decisions.

“Our Director of the Year Awards are a fantastic way to recognise those who have demonstrated these attributes, and I hope this year’s winners offer inspiration and a source of pride for the business community across Scotland.”

Theresa Shearer FRSE, CEO at Enable, received the Director of the Year 2023 Chair’s Award for her life-long commitment to leadership pushing for human rights-driven public services securing significant policy change in Scotland and internationally. Other winners are set out in full below.



IoD Awards, Edinburgh. Photograph: Mike Wilkinson...08/06/23
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Category Winners					
Category	Name	Position	Company	Result	Branch

Agility & Resilience	Laura Davidson	CEO	Tag Digital Ltd	Highly Commended	Glasgow
Agility & Resilience	Jim Gillespie	Chief Executive	The Kibble Group	Winner	Glasgow
Equality, Diversity & Inclusion	Carolyn Currie	Chief Executive	Women's Enterprise Scotland	Winner	Glasgow
Family Business	Rebecca Bell	Operations Director	Spectrum Service Solutions Limited	Winner	Glasgow
Innovation	Duncan Wallace	Managing Director	PlacesWork	Winner	Edinburgh
International	Fiona Logan	Chief Executive Officer	Insights Learning & Development	Winner	Fife &Tayside
Large Business	Jackie Kipps	Finance & Corporate Services Director	Insights Learning & Development	Winner	Fife &Tayside
Non-Executive	Bob Keiller	Non-Exec Chair	Aberdeen and Grampian Chamber of Commerce	Winner	Aberdeen
Non-Executive	Tracey Rob Perera	Non-Exec council member Chair of the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Board	Institute of Chartered Accountants for Scotland (ICAS)	Highly Commended	Edinburgh
Public Sector	Stuart Black	Chief Executive	Highlands and Islands Enterprise	Winner	Highlands

SME	Lucy Harrier	Managing Director	Prepress Projects Ltd	Winner	Fife &Tayside
Sustainability	Richard and Ed Nimmons	Directors	Carbon Capture Scotland	Highly Commended	Fife &Tayside
Sustainability	Michael Golding	CEO	Visit Inverness	Winner	Highlands
Third Sector	Lindsay Fyffe-Jardine	CEO	Edinburgh Dog and Cat Home	Winner	Edinburgh
Young	Neale Bisset	Co chairman	PMC Property Management & Lettings	Winner	Aberdeen
Young	Romy Berits	Founder	CANTEEN Lunches Ltd	Highly Commended	Edinburgh

Chair's Award

Theresa Shearer FRSE, CEO at Enable

Regional Winners

Regional	Name	Title	Company
Aberdeen & Grampian	Bob Keiller	Non Exec Chair	Aberdeen and Grampian Chamber of Commerce
Central Scotland	Josie Saunders	CEO	Ceteris Scotland Ltd
Edinburgh & Lothians	Lindsay Fyffe-Jardine	CEO	Edinburgh Dog and Cat Home
Fife & Tayside	Kirsteen Campbell	Chief Executive	Scottish SPCA
Glasgow & West of Scotland	Jim Gillespie	Chief Executive	The Kibble Group

Highlands & Islands	Stuart Black	Chief Executive	Highlands and Islands Enterprise
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