Business Champion of the Year — Outline Hair

Outline Hair in the Old Town, was recognised by Cycling Scotland's Cycling Champion Awards for owner Kay Corbett's efforts to support staff and customers to cycle, including by installing cycle parking inside the hair salon.

 The salon based in Edinburgh's Old Town, and has been announced today as winner of Business Champion of the Year.

Having experienced difficulty with storing her bike at previous workplaces, owner Kay Corbett was determined to make her new salon as cycling friendly a space as possible when opening the business in 2020.

In providing dedicated indoor space for cycle parking for both customers and staff, Kay has helped foster a welcoming environment for anyone choosing to travel by bike, with nominations commending her proactive and positive support for the wider health benefits of cycling.

Kay said : "It feels so great to be recognised for the choices we're making as a business. Having always cycled to work, I know how much of a problem it can be to not have anywhere to keep your bike. So, it's important to me to do anything we can to help staff or clients who want to get to the salon by bike to be able to do that easily."

A spokesperson for the awards panel said: "We are thrilled to be able to celebrate each of these worthy award winners, who have each worked incredibly hard to support cycling in their local communities and to champion the many benefits that cycling can bring."

The Cycling Champion Awards are Scotland's national cycling awards. They recognise the people and organisations that have made the largest impact on cycling in the past year. The awards were first presented in 2017, making 2023 the seventh time they have been presented.

The awards are presented in partnership by <u>Cycling</u> <u>Scotland</u>, <u>Cycling UK</u>, <u>Scottish Cycling</u> and <u>Sustrans Scotland</u>.

