

# News

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## Muse celebrates record eight shortlisted entries in 2018 RICS Awards



Muse Developments is delighted to have eight entries shortlisted in this year's Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) Awards.

The schemes from across the UK beat off strong competition to secure a place at the regional finals of these prestigious awards, which showcase the most inspirational initiatives in land, property, construction and the environment.

In the North West, two developments have been shortlisted in an impressive two categories. Mackie Mayor, a grade two listed building in Manchester's trendy Northern Quarter, got the nod in both the Building Conservation and Regeneration categories. Developed in partnership with Manchester City Council as part of the wider Smithfield regeneration scheme, this iconic building has been brought back to life and is now home to a range of independent bars and restaurants. .

Stockport Exchange Phase Two, a flagship mixed-use scheme, has been shortlisted in the Commercial and Regeneration categories. Muse is working in partnership with Stockport Council to transform a tired, unattractive leisure scheme into a modern, vibrant commercial quarter, which boasts a "top-10 in Europe" Holiday Inn Express.

The Slate Yard, Greater Manchester's first institutionally funded, private rented scheme of 90 luxury apartments on the banks of the River Irwell, and Salford's Timekeepers Square, a new housing development of 36 Georgian-style townhouses built around the Grade II listed neo-classical church of St Phillips, both received nominations in the North West Residential category.

In Scotland, Marischal Square has been shortlisted in the Regeneration category. Hailed as the most important development site in Aberdeen in a generation, the £107m office, hotel and leisure complex, developed in partnership with Aberdeen City Council, is home to industry-leading restaurants and a Marriott hotel.

London's Lambeth town hall development has been shortlisted in the Building Conservation category. Driven by the council's ambition to provide a modern, energy efficient workspace, with a focus on public access and community use, this refurbishment reinvigorated a Grade II Edwardian landmark, bringing it back to its former glory.

Regional winners will then go up against the best in the business to be named the national category winner.