



The 2009 Batley and Dewsbury Green Business Awards

The 2009 Batley and Dewsbury Green Business Awards is a **FREE** competition open to every business in the Batley and Dewsbury area. As well as celebrating environmental best practice, the awards aim to encourage local businesses to adopt even more measures to reduce their environmental impact and to save them money through reduced energy, water, transport, and waste disposal costs. The awards replace the Tidy Trader Awards.

The Awards have been developed in partnership between Batley and Dewsbury Towns' Management, Kirklees Council's Environment Unit and the Green Business Network. All entrants will have three chances of winning prize money to go towards environmental improvements (£150 for first prize, £100 for second and £50 for third). We will be selecting three winners for Batley and three winners for Dewsbury. There will also be a chance for the first prize winners in Batley and Dewsbury to win an extra £100 by competing against each other,

A case study showing the measures that other businesses have taken to reduce their environmental impact and to save money is also downloadable from the Batley and Dewsbury Towns' Management website at www.batleyanddewsbury.co.uk.

There is also a special '**Business Action Award**' which will be awarded to the business that has done the most to educate and encourage customers about the most environmentally friendly way to dispose of food packaging and waste.

The application process is very easy. Simply fill in the form attached to this letter and return it by email or post by **Tuesday 30 June 2009** (see details at the end of the form).

FREE help and advice is available to all Kirklees businesses from the Green Business Network. Your business is entitled to a **FREE** Environmental audit highlighting the many ways that you are able to reduce your environmental impact and to save money. Contact us on 01422 316661 or email jim.porter@kirklees.gov.uk to find out more.

They have also produced a series of environmental toolkits for various business sectors, including **Care Homes, Manufacturing, Retailing Office based**, and **Hospitality** businesses. The environmental toolkits feature:

- A list of 20 quick suggestions.
- A more detailed section giving many suggestions on pollution prevention, waste management, energy use, water use, transport, purchasing and training.
- Details of the current funding available to businesses.
- Details of the main current environmental legislation.
- Where to go for further help and advice.
- Details of local recyclers.

If you have any questions about this competition please contact us on 01924 324660/1 or email info@batleyanddewsbury.co.uk.



The 2009 Batley and Dewsbury Green Business Awards Entry Form

Guide to entrants:

- Please provide any evidence relating to your application, for example amount of waste recycled, environmental policies, etc.
- Please use additional sheets if you require further space to describe your environmental achievements.
- Just fill in the categories that apply to you. We recognise that you will not necessarily have an answer for every category.

Category (Please tick)

- Large retail**
- Small retail**
- Office**
- Bank / Building Society**
- Hospitality**
- Other** **Please specify:**

Company Name:.....

Name of applicant:.....

Position:.....

Address:.....

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Postcode:.....

Telephone:.....

Email:.....

Website:.....

Please tick if you would like a copy of the GBN's Environmental Toolkit (available for manufacturing, retailing, office-based, hospitality and care homes – please indicate which sector)

Please tick if you would like a **FREE** environmental audit

ENERGY

What measures has your business taken to reduce your energy use?

POLLUTION

What measures has your business taken to prevent pollution?

WASTE

What measures has your business taken to reduce waste to landfill?

What materials does your business recycle?

WATER

What measures has your business taken to reduce water consumption?

TRANSPORT

What measures has your business taken to minimise the transport impact associated with your business and those of your staff?

PURCHASING

What measures has your business taken to purchase in a sustainable way?

COMMUNITY

Does your business actively support any local environmental projects?

EDUCATION

What measures have you taken to train staff on environmental good practice?

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Does your business have an environmental policy? If so, please describe

Is your business seeking, or has it received formal environmental accreditation, for example ISO14001?

OTHER

Is your business taking any other measures to improve its environmental performance?

BUSINESS ACTION AWARD

What action is your business taking to educate and encourage customers as to the most environmentally friendly way to dispose of food packaging and waste?

Please return:

By post: Batley & Dewsbury Towns' Management, Dewsbury Business Centre, 13 Wellington Road, Dewsbury, WF13 1HF

By fax: 01924 324659

By email: info@batleyanddewsbury.co.uk