

## Rich selection of award nominations announced

MBH PLC continues to punch above its weight, with 10 of its projects shortlisted across 7 categories for this year's coveted Brick Awards. The awards, now in their 39th year, recognise excellence in design and construction using brick. Hosted by the Brick Development Association, this year's winners will be announced at the awards event on Wednesday 18th November at The Hilton, Park Lane, London.



Frank Hanna, Group Commercial Director, explains the Company's delight at achieving another expansive list of award nominations: "As well as continuing our support of sponsoring the awards, we are thrilled to have such a presence within this year's shortlisted entries in a wide range of categories.

"These include Best Housing Development, Best Public & Education Building, Best Refurbishment Project, Craftsmanship Award, Housing Design Award, Best Urban Regeneration Project and Specialist Brickwork Contractor of the Year. Our diverse selection of projects this year comprises of modern visionary brick design applications, and at the other spectrum extremely sympathetic, sensitive conservational refurbishment collections, encompassing our wide spectrum of blends and textures.

"Our focus on uniting the best in clay traditions, with an exceptional level of care, quality and attention to detail offered to every project, continues to attract celebrated architects, designers and contractors from all over the United Kingdom. We are very proud to be considered 'Britain's Brick Specialist'. MBH PLC has grown and innovated heritage brands, which have become some of the most trusted names behind today's prestigious built environments. By utilising the latest technology and product designs, we can supply to a wider customer base whilst retaining our reputation for beautiful, durable, natural looking clay pieces."



Entries this year include Woodridge in Newbury, designed by Tompkins Rygole and nominated for Best Housing Development 1-5 units. Richmond Adult Community College located in Surrey and designed by acclaimed Duggan Morris Architects using a sympathetically chosen Synthesis Blend of Freshfield Lane and Charnwood bricks, has been nominated for both Best Public & Education Building and Best Refurbishment Project. Also nominated in the Education category is Channing School in London by Architect Buckley Gray Yeoman, designed to a contemporary style using a Charnwood Horsham bricks.

Eight Artillery Row, London is designed by famed Make Architects using a Charnwood Special Blend, articulated with stimulating brick fenestration details across the facades. This project has been nominated for Best Craftsmanship Award.

In the Housing Design Award, Best Urban Regeneration Project and Specialist Brickwork Contractor of the Year categories, Trafalgar Place, London, features a synthesis blend of Freshfield Lane bricks cleverly planned and articulated by Architects De Rijke Marsh Morgan and built by Lee Marley Brickwork. St John's Student Accommodation in Northampton is also shortlisted for Best Urban Regeneration Project (a category sponsored by MBH PLC for 2015) and utilises the very popular Freshfield Lane Danehill Yellow bricks. Finally, another contender for Specialist Brickwork Contractor of the Year built by Caxton Builders is Brooksby College in Leicestershire, which was designed by Maber Architects with an exquisite use of our Blockleys synthesis S17 articulated with precise brickwork detailing.