

Criteria for Regional Committee Member of the Year

The Regional Committee Member of the Year Award is for those Regional Committee Members who have excelled in their service to their Region and local members. Their contributions could come in the form of event management, member engagement, educational outreach, working with governments on policy impacting the region and wider UK and Republic of Ireland, etc. Their contributions should have made a tangible positive impact on their Region and members.

Mandatory Criteria

Nominees must fulfil all of the following criteria:

- Must be a member of CIWM.
- Must be a CIWM Regional Committee Member at the time of nominations and award ceremony (Elected or Non-Elected).
- Six months' or more in volunteer role.
- Must be a volunteer at the time of the award.
- Consistently demonstrates CIWM values of collaboration, creativity, adaptation, determination and consideration.
- Cannot have won award in the last 12 months.

Service Criteria

Nominees must demonstrate (with appropriate evidence) one or more of the following criteria:

Significant Contributions

- Can demonstrate their contributions have led to significant improvements, changes, or positive outcomes for the Region, regional members and/or the Regional Committee.
- Examples include organising key events, creating a new process of working, engaging local companies or stakeholders, increasing regional member engagement, launching a regional newsletter, etc.

Regular and Consistent Volunteering

- Demonstrates ongoing commitment and reliability in their volunteering efforts.
- Regular attendance at Regional Committee meetings and events.

Dedication

- Takes on additional responsibilities.
- Ability to persevere through challenges to achieve positive outcomes.

Communication Skills

- Ability to effectively communicate with others, whether it's fellow volunteers, stakeholders, or the public.
- Could include written content contributions, talks and presentations, etc.

Problem-Solving, Innovation and Initiative

- Shows initiative and enthusiasm in their role.
- Has demonstrated the ability to identify issues within the Region that could be addressed, develop solutions and innovations, and take initiative within the role.
- Examples could include engaging with Affiliated Organisations to improve relationships, sourcing potential event sponsors, or increasing local member engagement.

Teamwork and Collaboration

- Ability to work effectively with others on the Regional Committee, within CIWM and external stakeholders.
- Demonstrable collaborative activities such as creating CPD events with another volunteer, co-hosting webinars, contributing to a sub-committee.

Leadership

- Demonstration of positive leadership skills to the benefit of a project and/or the Region.