

## Vote for town's best buildings



Ask has been nominated one of the town's best shopfronts.

It's time to celebrate the best buildings in town in the Grantham Civic Society Awards 2011.

Every two years the society organises the awards to celebrate the town's best architectural achievements.

Journal readers are invited to nominate their favourite projects completed in 2009 or 2010 for the awards. Categories in this year's awards are:

**New Build** - recognising projects that demonstrate good design, enhancement of the neighbourhood, use of local materials and efficient use of resources. New buildings should provide a sustainable environment that meets the needs of the town, without compromising the needs of future generations.

**Environment** - recognising achievement in providing environmental improvement within the town, which fits the local community. In particular, the project must illustrate its community benefit, enhancement of the townscape through appropriate use of hard and/or soft landscaping and street furniture.

**Refurbishment** - this award honours outstanding work in the conservation of buildings or structures and covers renovation or conversion to original use. Includes

sustainability.

● **Best shopfront** - this award recognises good design and layout which enhances the townscape respecting the historical context of the building and its neighbours and uses appropriate materials, decoration and signage.

The civic society has already made a number of nominations of its own. They include:

● **New building:** Houses on the Waggon & Horses site in Manthorpe Road; the New Woodland Trust headquarters; Brick Kiln place.

● **Environment:** Butcher's Row/Vine Street renewal.

● **Refurbishment:** Former Spotted Cow apartments, London Road.

● **Shopfront:** Ask Restaurant, High Street; Oxfam, Market Place; Stilo, High Street

As well as helping find the best buildings in town, the Journal will also present the Rusty Trowel Award to the one Journal readers identify as the worst. Is there an eyesore you think should be tidied up?

Is there a spectacularly ugly building erected in the last two years that you think detracts from the character of the town?

Send in your nomination today!

We'll give the award to the building that receives most votes from Journal readers.

To make your nomination, fill in the form below and return it to: Civic Society Awards, Grantham Journal, 46 High Street, Grantham, NG31 6NE.

Alternatively, e-mail your nominations to us at: [comment@grantham-journal.co.uk](mailto:comment@grantham-journal.co.uk)